



## Michael Ray Smither

August 25, 1945 - March 15, 2021

Michael Ray Smither, 75, of Altavista died Monday, March 15, 2021 at The Carrington of Lynchburg. He was the husband of the late Frances Lee Phillips Smither.

He was born August 25, 1945 in Altavista, a son of the late Victor Nelson Smither and Elois Reynolds Smither. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and a retired employee of BGF.

He is survived by a daughter, Wendaline Smither Pickral and her husband, Darrell of Altavista; two sisters, Jane S. Young and her husband, Gordon of Pawleys Island, SC and Marie S. McDuff of Dunedin, FL; three grandchildren, Amanda, Whitney and Waylon; eleven great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Victor Nelson Smither, Jr.; and a sister, Suzanne S. Thomas.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 20, 2021 at Calvary Baptist Church by the Rev. Matt Gaston with interment to follow in Green Hill Cemetery with military honors by American Legion Altavista Memorial Post 36 and Gretna Post 232.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider The National Kidney Foundation, 1742 E. Parham Rd., Richmond, VA 23228 or UVA Dialysis Center, 701 Fifth St., Suite 102, Altavista, VA 24517.

Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Green Hill Cemetery

300 Westwood Drive  
Altavista, VA 24517

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 20. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Calvary Baptist Church  
226 Riverbend Road  
Altavista, VA 24517

## Funeral Ceremony

MAR 20. 2:00 PM (ET)

Calvary Baptist Church  
226 Riverbend Road  
Altavista, VA 24517

# Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Michael Ray Smither*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - March 18, 2021 at 10:18 AM

WH

*Rest High Papa!!❤️ Love You!!💕*

whitney Hall - March 19, 2021 at 04:21 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Funeral*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - March 20, 2021 at 07:32 PM

DT

“ *Wendy, Whitney, and the entire Family, I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Donna Hailey Thacker - March 20, 2021 at 07:49 AM

WH

*Thanks Donna!!❤️ That means a lot!!*

**whitney Hall** - March 20, 2021 at 04:13 PM

CS

“ *Cindy Stewart lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither*



**Cindy Stewart** - March 19, 2021 at 12:51 AM

JC

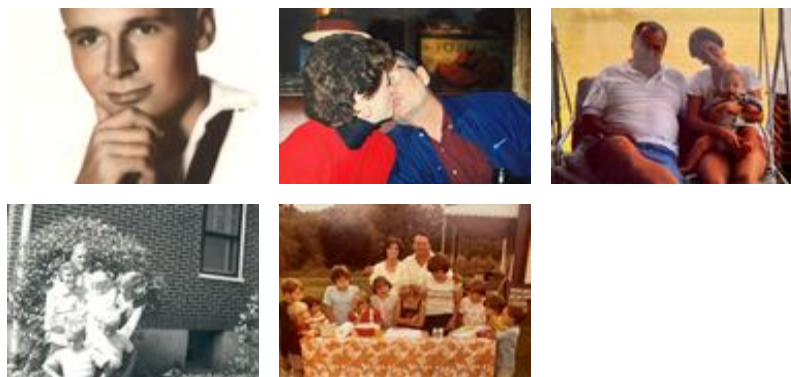
“ *Judy Cox lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither*



**Judy Cox** - March 18, 2021 at 03:33 PM



“ *72 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service** - March 18, 2021 at 09:39 AM

Jane Young

“ Jane Young purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Michael Ray Smither.



Jane Young - March 18, 2021 at 09:16 AM

LR

“ Larry Roach lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



Larry Roach - March 18, 2021 at 09:03 AM

CS

“ Clara Smith lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



Clara Smith - March 17, 2021 at 09:07 PM

CS

“ To the family of Michael Ray Smither, was so sorry to hear about your loss. My thoughts, Love, and Prayers, are with the family at this time. May the Lords loving promises to comfort you all give you strength as you walk through this difficult time. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. John 14:18

Wayne, Clara Smith & Family

Clara Smith - March 17, 2021 at 09:05 PM

MM

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Michael. He and Frances were good friends of mine. Praying for family and friends.



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**Mary Moses-Hicks** - March 17, 2021 at 08:35 PM

VM

“ Virginia Martin lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



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**Virginia Martin** - March 17, 2021 at 04:17 PM

AE

“ Ashley H. Emerson lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



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**Ashley H. Emerson** - March 17, 2021 at 03:02 PM

CP

“ Deepest sympathy to the family. Have fond memories of Mike back when we used to visit his mom.



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**Carla Pickeral** - March 17, 2021 at 10:49 AM

WG

“ So sorry for the loss of Mike. You are in our thoughts and prayers  
Wanda P Goodman and David "Bo" Hall

Wanda P Goodman - March 17, 2021 at 09:06 AM

WR

“ Weasel And Wanda Roberts sent a virtual gift  
in memory of Michael Ray Smither



Weasel and wanda Roberts - March 16, 2021 at 08:31 PM

WR

“ Weasel And Wanda Roberts lit a candle in  
memory of Michael Ray Smither



Weasel and wanda Roberts - March 16, 2021 at 08:30 PM

ME

“ Mary Edmonds lit a candle in memory of  
Michael Ray Smither



Mary Edmonds - March 16, 2021 at 06:34 PM

SP

“ Susan Phillips lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



susan phillips - March 16, 2021 at 06:24 PM

JD

“ Joyce Dalton lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



joyce dalton - March 16, 2021 at 04:58 PM

CH

“ Connie Payne Hall sent a virtual gift in memory of Michael Ray Smither



Connie Payne Hall - March 16, 2021 at 04:12 PM

KT

“ Kathy Traylor lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither



Kathy Traylor - March 16, 2021 at 04:01 PM

DM

“ *Dot Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of Michael Ray Smither*



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**Dot Mitchell** - March 16, 2021 at 03:52 PM

JM

“ *Jimmy And Anne Marr lit a candle in memory of Michael Ray Smither*



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**Jimmy and Anne marr** - March 16, 2021 at 03:45 PM