



## Allen W. Smith

October 18, 1949 - December 24, 2025

Allen Wayne Smith, 76, of Easton, MD, passed away on Wednesday, December 24, 2025. Allen leaves behind his wife and best friend of 51 years, Sandra; two daughters, Kelly Smith and Stephanie Schaeffer, sons-in-law Matthew Daniel and Zac Schaeffer; six beautiful grandchildren, Eric, Kevin, Mason, Avan, Morgan and Cooper; and his sister, Rosemary Garlitz; as well as other family and friends. Allen was preceded in death by his father, Thomas Willis Smith, his mother Katherine Anne Wheatley, and two brothers Thomas Willis Smith Jr and Matthew Charles Smith.

Allen was born October 18, 1949, in Easton, Maryland, to Katherine Anne Wheatley and Thomas Willis Smith. Growing up on a farm in Federalsburg Maryland, he grew up alongside his 3 siblings - Brothers Thomas Willis Smith Jr., Matthew Charles Smith, and his beloved sister Rosemary Lynn Garlitz. He graduated from North Dorchester High School in 1967 and immediately began a lifetime of service, joining the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) at age 18. From 1969–1971, Allen was drafted to the Army, serving one year in Vietnam, and went on to dedicate 37 years of service to the CIA as a Finance Officer, retiring in 2003. While working full time, he earned an associate degree in accounting from Northern Virginia Community College and a bachelor's degree in business administration from American University.

Allen married, Sandra Lynn Woods, on September 7, 1974. Together, they raised their wonderful daughters, Kelly Michelle Smith and Stephanie Leigh Schaeffer, in Manassas, Virginia, until Allen's retirement in 2003, at which time

Allen and Sandra moved to Easton, Maryland, where they made their home for the next 22 years.

After retirement, Allen never stopped serving. He poured his time and energy into his community, most notably as head of the HOA grounds committee, a role he embraced with pride and genuine enthusiasm. Allen approached the work with passion, taking great joy in keeping the neighborhood beautiful, and he absolutely loved every minute of it—proof that his commitment to service extended well beyond his professional career.

Allen embraced life beyond his career with the same enthusiasm and curiosity he brought to everything he did. He loved to travel, with Universal Studios holding a special place as his favorite destination, and he rarely missed a chance watching sports, gardening, or a good day crabbing. Movies, music, and family filled his downtime, and conversation came easily to him—Allen genuinely enjoyed people. Generous by nature, he quietly supported countless charities, believing strongly in giving back and helping others whenever he could.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that expressions of sympathy be made in the form of contributions to Wounded Warriors (<https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/>).

The family will receive guests and friends at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, Easton, on Monday, January 5, 2026, from 1pm until 2pm, a service at the funeral home will begin at 2pm. Interment will take place at East New Market Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## East New Market Cemetery

East New Market, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

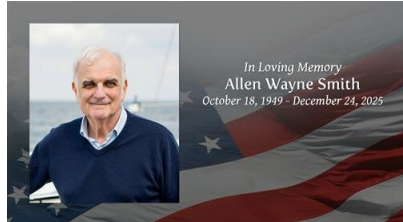
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Easton Location  
200 S Harrison St  
Easton, MD 21601  
(410) 822-3131  
[info@fhfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fhfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Allen W. Smith*

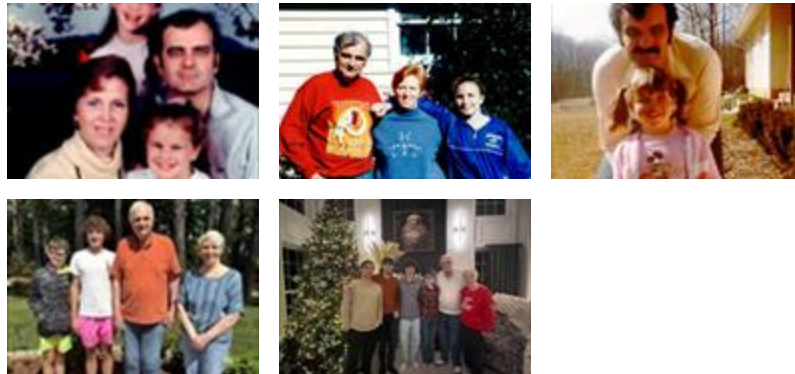


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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - February 04 at 09:32 AM

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“ *112 files added to the album Family Pictures*



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**Justin** - February 04 at 09:28 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Allen W. Smith.*



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January 05 at 08:32 AM

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“ Allen would stop by the church during the week to drop off their offering. He was a kind quiet fellow. My prayers are with his family.

Karen Reed - January 04 at 08:32 AM

SV

“ Even though he had a towering stance of 6'4", and had extensive worldly experience, he presented himself as an unassuming person. Allen was humble.

He flew under the radar. He could carry on a conversation at any dinner table. He could also make light of any serious experience. He had a dry wit.

We were proud to have him in our family  
The Vinsons

Sharon Vinson - December 30, 2025 at 08:48 PM

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“ Proud to call Allen my brother, we shared many happy times growing up on a farm near Federalsburg, Md. It brings a smile to me recalling all the great fun times at the family's waterfront cottage on the Choptank River with his daughter's Kelly and Stephanie. May God grant him peace and eternal rest. Love to Sandy and family!

Rosemary Garlitz - December 30, 2025 at 08:38 PM

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“ Rosemary Garlitz lit a candle in memory of Allen W. Smith



Rosemary Garlitz - December 30, 2025 at 08:30 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Allen W. Smith.*



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December 30, 2025 at 08:17 PM



“ *Allen’s dedication to the grounds community was truly remarkable. I have had the pleasure of working with him for the past 11 years, and he consistently made my job easier with his support, knowledge, and willingness to help whenever it came to grounds-related needs. His commitment and work ethic did not go unnoticed. He will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing and working with him. My heartfelt condolences go out to the family and to everyone whose life he touched.*

*Rhonda Bennett  
Community Manager  
Easton Club East*

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**Rhonda Bennett** - December 30, 2025 at 06:14 PM