



## Royal A. Smith

June 27, 1939 - April 22, 2017

Royal A. Smith, age 77, of Holly died Sat. April 22, 2017. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM Thurs. April 27, 2017 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly., with Pastor Dean Dumbrille officiating. Visitation will be from 4-9 PM Wed. Military honors and burial will be at 10 AM Fri. at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Mr. Smith was born to Nelson and Olga (Botz) Smith in Lakewood, OH on June 27, 1939. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the US Air Force. Mr. Smith graduated from Olivet College where he earned a Bachelor's degree and a Master's Degree. He also earned a Master's degree from Oakland University. He was an elementary school teacher with the Goodrich Schools for 30 years, was a member of the NEA, was a member of the Missouri Synod, attending Trinity Lutheran Church of Fenton, and was a former deacon at Gethsemane Lutheran Church of Holly. He was known as a gentle giant, and he enjoyed family, crossword puzzles, and vacations. Surviving are his wife Linda Zynda-Smith; daughter Amanda (Jacob) Smith of CO; 2 step-children, Heather (Darrin) Cecil of Berkley and Todd (Natalie) Zynda of CA; 3 grandchildren, Oliver, Kaitlyn, and Nicola; and his sister Linda Smith of OH. He was preceded in death by his first wife Carolann Smith. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Disabled American Veterans. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**APR 26.** 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291

## Service

**APR 27.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

**APR 28.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery  
Holly, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Royal A. Smith.*



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April 25, 2017 at 04:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Royal A. Smith.*



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April 25, 2017 at 01:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Royal A. Smith.*



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April 24, 2017 at 08:27 AM