



## David E. "Bagger" Smith

March 21, 1947 - July 8, 2023

Dodgeville - David Ell "Bagger" Smith, 76, of Dodgeville, previously of Albert Lea, MN passed away on Saturday, July 8, 2023 at his home surrounded by his family after a hard fight with dementia.

David was born March 21, 1947 to Herschel and Dorothy Smith in Albert Lea, MN. He farmed on the family farm until 1979. David served in the US Navy from 1964 to 1968.

David married the love of his life, Lonna Jorgenson in 1974. They welcomed 2 sons into their lives, Troy in 1976 and Travis in 1979.

In 1979, David and Lonna moved to Wisconsin where David worked for Jacques Seed Co. and later for Fuch's Trucking as an over the road truck driver until his retirement in 2013.

David was an avid outdoorsman. He loved hunting, fishing, four wheeling, gardening and hiking. He also loved golfing, bowling and had a special love for baseball. Especially watching his grandson play.

David loved his family and friends with all his heart. He loved being involved in all the boy's activities by being the boy's Boy Scout Leader, Treasure Hunt Maker, Baseball Coach, Fishing Guide and everything he could get involved

in. He was then very active in his grandchildren's lives and was loved dearly.

He is survived by his wife Lonna; his sons Troy (Jackie Wilson) and Travis (Jenny); his Granddaughter Lillian (Spencer Dunham) and his Grandson Gabriel. He is further survived by his sister-in-law Candy Jorgenson of Albert Lea, MN; brother-in-law Ronald (Cindi) Jorgenson of Red Wing, MN; niece Sara (Travis) of Faribault, MN; niece Amy Gant of MN; nephews Scott Smith and Benjamin Smith of Albuquerque, NM as well as many, many friends.

He is preceded in death by his grandson, Ethan Smith; his parents, Herschel and Dorothy Smith; brother James Smith, his mother and father-in-law Kenneth and Matilda Jorgenson; Grandparents Don and Hazel Smith; N Vere & Hazel Sanders; Fred and Carrie Weseman; and Einer and Lillian Jorgenson.

A Celebration of Life for Bagger will be held from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 26, 2023 at MIDWAY LANES, 1850 1850 Midway Road, Mineral Point.

A Visitation will be held 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 13, 2023 at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville, WI. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to Ethan's Shining Light Foundation. A foundation Dave was very involved in from its inception.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **13**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Gorgen-McGinley & Ayers Funeral Home  
400 East Grace Street  
Dodgeville, WI 53533  
(608) 935-5222  
gorgenfh@mhtc.net

## Celebration of Life

AUG **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Midway Lanes  
1850 Midway Road  
Mineral Point, WI 53565

# Tribute Wall



“ *Our condolences are with you Lonna and family, Dave was a great guy. Thinking of you Joan and Gary Lobenstein*

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**Joan and Gary Lobenstein** - July 13, 2023 at 07:52 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of David E. "Bagger" Smith.*



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July 10, 2023 at 10:04 PM