



Mr. Thomas Crockett Smotherman Sr.

February 12, 1932 - February 7, 2021

Mr. Thomas Crockett Smotherman, Sr., 88 years young, of Shelbyville, passed away Sunday, February 7, 2021, at St. Thomas Rutherford Hospital in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

He was born on Marshal Knob in Murfreesboro, Tennessee on February 12, 1932, to the late Richard Crockett Smotherman and Sally Bowling Smotherman. He lived most of his life in Bedford County, Tennessee, and was the baby of the family.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Christine Majors Smotherman, who died in 2000; siblings and in laws and outlaws, Horace Edwin (Ida Kathleen) Smotherman, Richard Henry "Dick" (Mary) Smotherman, Nannie Ruth (Robert) Brown, Etta Mae (Jessie) Holden, Margaret Estill Smotherman, Eva Lilian Smotherman Lloyd, and Elizabeth Ann (Phillip) Smith, and a grandson, Edward Dustin Mendez.

Survivors include his children, Debra (Kenneth) Parker, of Readyville, Tennessee, Martha (Albert Edward) Mendez, of Christiana, Tennessee, Thomas Crockett Smotherman, of Bell Buckle, and Claudette (John) Langston, of Tomball, Texas; special friend, Patricia Bearden, of Shelbyville, Tennessee, and the mother of his three oldest children, Bennie Jo Smotherman, of Parsons, Tennessee; eleven grandchildren, Rodney Brandon,

Jennifer (Brad) Fletcher, Kim (Lonnie) Wheeler, Ashley Mendez, Mitzie Mendez, Kesha (Reginald) Smotherman-Collier, Varina Hinojosa, April (Rico) Coleman, Joshua (Kat) Goins, Jessica (Reggie) Carrington, and Olivia (Trey Shuck) Langston; nineteen great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild; many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Smotherman was a self-made man and jack of all trades. He was a mechanic and owned Smotherman's Garage and Smotherman's Package Store, in Bell Buckle, Tennessee. He loved fast cars, and enjoyed drag strip racing, and owned quite a few race cars. He was a farmer in his later years and raised beef cattle.

He was loved and will be missed by many.

A family graveside service will be held at a later date at Hazel Cemetery in Bell Buckle, Tennessee.

In lieu of flowers, please celebrate his life by reaching out to someone with an act of kindness in his memory.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



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Jennifer Parker - May 17, 2021 at 04:06 PM



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Martha Smotherman Mendez - February 11, 2021 at 08:05 AM



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Martha Smotherman Mendez - February 11, 2021 at 08:04 AM

MH

“ *Mary Arnold Honey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas Crockett Smotherman Sr.*



Mary Arnold Honey - February 09, 2021 at 04:05 PM

JF

“ *Granddaddy was funny and always had a good story to tell. He was kind and found humor in so many ways. I'll miss his laugh and his voice.
We we're so lucky to have him.*



Jennifer Fletcher - February 09, 2021 at 03:56 PM



“ *My prayers and condolences go out to the family. Mr. Tommy was one heck of a mechanic, and I had some great times hauling hay for him or even just listening to him and my granddaddy chew the fat.
May God give all of you comfort in your time of bereavement!*

Jeremy Wells - February 09, 2021 at 01:11 PM

MF

“ Our sincere sympathy to all of the family. Mike has many good memories and tall tales related to time spent with Tommy dating back to the 60's. He was a good, hard working, honest fellow and will be missed.

Mike & Sara Fox

Mike & Sara Fox - February 09, 2021 at 09:43 AM

SC

“ Martha and Family, We are saddened by the loss of your Father. Please know that you'll all be in our thoughts and prayers ♡

God Bless, Shelly and David Calvert



Shelly Calvert - February 09, 2021 at 08:22 AM



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Martha Smotherman Mendez - February 09, 2021 at 03:26 AM

GJ

“ I got to visit with slick and marty and ed this summer..Slick was a good man. I remember going to his shop in Bell Buckle he worked on my dad and moms cars..He will be missed

Gina brown jones - February 08, 2021 at 05:18 PM