



## Arthur F. Smith, Jr.

February 7, 1946 - August 5, 2011

MECHANICVILLE – Arthur F. Smith., Jr., 65, formerly of Colonie, died Friday, August 5, 2011 at St. Peters Hospital, with his entire family by his side after a long and courageous battle with heart disease.

Born February 7, 1946 in Albany, he was the son of the late Arthur F. Smith, Sr. and Margaret (Peg) Garfield Smith. Known by many friends as the “Mayor” or “Mr. C.B.A.”, Art lived in the area all of his life. He graduated from Albany Business School and New Hampshire College. He was a 1963 graduate of Christian Brothers Academy, where he was a star basketball player and later President of the Father’s Association when his three sons attended the school. He is fondly remembered by many for greeting fans to C.B.A. football and basketball events for over 15 years. He also devoted countless hours to the Colonie Little League, serving as a coach and officer.

He was employed by the New York State Controllers Office for 40 years before he retired in 2007. Artie loved to golf with his friends, enjoy many a cold beer, and most importantly, spend time with his family.

Art is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Jo-Ann (Gach) Smith; two sons Brian (Sarah) Smith and Mark (Vanessa) Smith; one daughter Kristen (John) Staikos; seven grandchildren Connor and Hannah Smith, Alex, Sofia and Chloe Staikos, Donovan and Brady Smith. He is also survived by three

brothers Henry (Caroline) Smith, David (Alicia) Smith and Michael (Lynn) Smith; his brother and sister in-law Jim and Linda Dall, and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Artie was pre-deceased by his son Kevin Michael Smith and his mother and father in-law, Paul and Antoinette (DiMura) Gach. Artie also had many friends that were a part of his life since high school and college, including Michael Mullen, Mark Lyon and Jerry "Oscar" Quintal who he fondly shared many a laugh and good time with.

The family would especially like to thank Dr. David Wolinsky (Albany Associates in Cardiology), Dr. Timothy Vittorio (Mt. Sinai Hospital), Dr. Eric Roccario (Albany Associates in Cardiology) and the many nurses and technicians at St. Peters Hospital Cardiac Care Center who so lovingly cared for Artie during his many hospital stays.

Funeral services Tuesday, August 9, 2011 from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany at 9:45 am thence to All Saints Catholic Church (formerly St. Margaret Mary's Church) at 10:30 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Relatives and friends are invited and may call Monday 4:00pm to 8:00pm in the funeral home. Interment will follow the Mass of Christian of Burial in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG 9. 10:30 AM (ET)

All Saints Catholic Church  
16 Homestead St.  
Albany, NY 12203

# Tribute Wall



“ McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Arthur F. Smith, Jr.



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - August 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



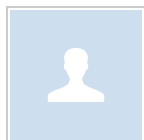
“ Arthur F. Smith, Jr.

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ My deepest condolences. Mr. Smith, as I used to call him was one of the few people that imprinted hapiness with his presence that lasted long after he had left.##imported-begin##ALTAGRACIA RODRIGUEZ##imported-end##

August 12, 2011 at 02:21 PM



“ Jo-Ann and Family,  
When we think of Art, we think of a fun-loving, dynamic, family man. He was all of that and clearly one half of the "dynamic duo" who were the strong center of a close-knit, happy family. We feel blessed to be connected to all of you and hope that you find comfort in knowing that Art is resting peacefully in Heaven.##imported-begin##Carl and Gia Demarais##imported-end##

August 10, 2011 at 09:14 PM



“ Dear Jo-Ann and family,

*We were so sorry to hear of Artie's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May all the good memories comfort you now and in the days to come. We will always remember Artie's big smile and welcoming way.*

*Love, Andy, Anne Marie & Erin##imported-begin##Anne Marie Roche##imported-end##*

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August 09, 2011 at 05:56 PM



“ My condolences to the family, I will keep you all in prayer. Art was amazing guy, always so full of life. Gone, but never forgotten. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Javoni Williams##imported-end##

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August 09, 2011 at 10:36 AM



“ Joann, Brian, Kristen and Markie, What a gift Artie was as a husband and father. He made everyone feel special. I will truly miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Love,  
Tish##imported-begin##Tish Kahn##imported-end##

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August 09, 2011 at 12:27 AM



“ Joann, Kristen, Brian and Mark. We are so sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful man and will be missed.##imported-begin##Linda and Joe Sanders##imported-end##

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August 08, 2011 at 11:11 PM



“ *Jo-Ann and Family,  
So sorry for your loss, I worked with Art for many years he was the  
best boss ever!!*###imported-begin###*Nancy Lisicki*###imported-end##

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August 08, 2011 at 03:32 PM



“ *My deepest sincere condolences to each and every one of the  
Smith Family.. .May you Rest in Peach Artie, what a terrible loss,  
and please pass on my love to your mom, my dear, sweet  
neighbor, and buddy, I love and miss her deeply.*###imported-  
begin###*pam*###imported-end##

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August 08, 2011 at 01:42 PM



“ *Artie-  
You were a wonderful man to all who knew you. You will be missed,  
but we can all be comforted knowing that God has made you whole  
again and has reunited you with Kevin.*

*Jo-Ann-*

*You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*###imported-  
begin###*Kim Cerone*###imported-end##

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August 08, 2011 at 01:08 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to Art's family especially Henry Smith, a  
good friend and coworker. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love,*

*Chris and Tricia*###imported-begin###*Chris and Tricia  
Glenn*###imported-end##

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August 08, 2011 at 11:32 AM



“ *RIP Artie. I know you Kevin and Suzie are having one for all of us.##imported-begin##Michael Cerone##imported-end##*

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August 08, 2011 at 11:12 AM



“ *Dear Mrs. Smith & Family,*

*I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Mr. Smith was always such a joy to be around.*

*Love,*

*Leah VanDeloo##imported-begin##Leah VanDeloo##imported-end##*

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August 08, 2011 at 11:03 AM



“ *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Art answered God's call and is now resting with Him. Art leaves behind an example for us all to follow- the importance of Faith, Family and Friends-strength of Faith no matter what, knowledge that Family is one of our most precious gifts in this life and that joy can be found in the company of Friends both old and new. We will miss that smile that lit up his eyes and that quick wit that allowed him to tell it like it was!*

*Love and Prayers to Joanne and Family,*

*Joe and Fran##imported-begin##Joe and Fran Schmidt##imported-end##*

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August 08, 2011 at 09:25 AM



“ Rest in peace my man. And a good man you were. Lots of good times with the old Field Audit group.##imported-begin##Douglas Boettner##imported-end##

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August 08, 2011 at 06:52 AM



“ As a neighbor on Clendon Court, we had looked forward to knowing Art better... over time. We enjoyed our brief chats with him as he spent time outdoors in nice weather. Our condolences to Jo-Ann and family. Please feel free to call on us at any time.##imported-begin##Dan and Carol Wojcik##imported-end##

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August 07, 2011 at 11:19 PM



“ art i am gonna miss the good times i had with you.you walked me through alot of difficult times and helped me alot. i know u are in good hands now back with susie having a cold beer on the deck.i love u and miss u art. ricky epstein##imported-begin##ricky espey##imported-end##

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August 07, 2011 at 08:37 PM



“ I was shocked when I received Henry's call Friday evening. A dear sweet man is now at rest in Jesus Christ's arms. I am saddened and convey my condolences to all of you. Artie was a great man.##imported-begin##John Plummer##imported-end##

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August 07, 2011 at 05:09 PM



“ Jo-Ann, Brian & Sarah, Mark & Vanessa, Kristen & John, Connor, Hannah, Alex, Sofia, Chloe, Donovan, Brady, Henry & Caroline, David & Alicia, Michael & Lynn Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Chris Plummer##imported-end##

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August 07, 2011 at 03:14 PM



“ Dear Jo-Ann, Fran and I were crushed to hear of Art's passing,we loved him very much ( you as well). He was always a good friend,and always there when i needed help.My health has kept us apart in recent years, but he was always in our hearts and prayers. We will miss him very much, and never forget the good times we had on Chesebro.  
Love Alwways  
Fran & Bob##imported-begin##Robert & Frances Van Zandt##imported-end##

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August 07, 2011 at 02:44 PM