



## Dorland Worth Smith

June 16, 1931 - March 11, 2021

Dorland Worth Smith of Havana, devoted husband, father, grandpa, and Papa passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 11, 2021, at Advocate Condell Hospital in Libertyville, IL. Dorland (or “Worth”) was born on June 16, 1931, in La Porte, IN, to Dorland and Dorothy (Hulce) Smith. He married Marilyn Koke at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church of Havana on November 16, 1958. Mr. Smith is survived by his wife of 62 years; daughter Lisa (Robert) Olson of Cincinnati, OH; son Eric (Lisa) Smith of Grayslake, IL; daughter Lynn (Michael) Marassa of Grayslake, IL; and 7 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Irvin D. Smith and William J. D. Smith.

After spending his childhood in northern Indiana, Worth’s family moved to rural Topeka, IL, in 1945 where they farmed. He graduated from Easton High School in 1949. He was attending Western Illinois University when he was drafted into the United States Army reaching the rank of lieutenant. After serving in the Korean War, he returned to school at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign graduating with a degree in agricultural engineering. Dorland was hired by Menard Electric Cooperative in Petersburg, IL, and worked there for over 40 years retiring as manager in 1999.

Mr. Smith was active in many organizations over the years. He was a member of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Havana where he served in many roles including chairman of the congregation, elder, and treasurer. He was active in the Mason County Historical and Genealogical Society, the American Legion Post #138 in Havana, the VFW Post #6408 in Havana, the Illinois Water

Authority Association, the Mahomet Aquifer Consortium, and the Imperial Valley Water Authority.

God and his family were the center of his world. When he retired, Worth and Marilyn became full time babysitters for two of their granddaughters and spent many years attending events for all of their grandchildren. They also traveled to visit family and friends throughout the country. He supported his family in countless ways and will be greatly missed by all of them.

The funeral will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havana on Saturday, March 20, 2021, at 11:00 AM with visitation starting at 10:00. Interment will be at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Legion Post #138 in Havana or St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havana.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Laurel Hill Cemetery

1105 E Laurel Ave  
Havana, IL 62644  
(309) 543-2986

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St Pauls Lutheran Church  
121 N Pearl St  
Havana, IL 62644

## Funeral

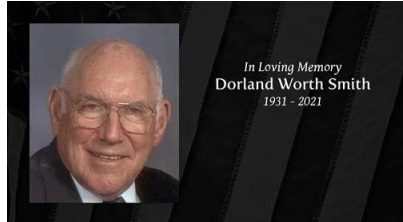
MAR 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

St Pauls Lutheran Church  
121 N Pearl St  
Havana, IL 62644

# Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dorland Worth Smith



Hurley Funeral Home - March 19, 2021 at 07:56 PM

TS

*I loved this video so so much. Just to look back and to see the older pictures and all of the newer one with Lisa, Eric, and Lynn and all of there families. So Beautiful and nice. Brought back good memories... I Love and Miss you Uncle Worth*

Tami Smith - June 18, 2023 at 06:58 AM



“ Dorland Worth Smith

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM

PP

“ So sorry to hear of Dorlands passing. I remember him taking me to kindergarten a few times. Had great fun with his family at Coop Christmas parties at Gillmores. I think there is a picture somewhere of me taking his blood pressure at an annual meeting. I'm so thankful for the memories. Patty Pillsbury- Heder. Sauk Rapids MN

Patty Pillsbury-Heder - March 28, 2021 at 08:09 PM

CM

“ *Such a beautiful tribute to Worth. An angel on earth blessing all of us* ❤️

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**Carol Koke Mueller** - March 22, 2021 at 09:26 AM

DB

“ *Sincere sympathy to Marilyn and family.*

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**Don & Marilyn Blakeley** - March 20, 2021 at 12:25 PM

JR

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I worked for Menard for 13 years. Although this was after Dorland retired, I had a few opportunities to speak with Dorland and could very easily understand why everyone there loved and respected him. I only wish I had known him better.*

*Jim Rechner*

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**Jim Recner** - March 19, 2021 at 12:27 PM



SF

“ *Sincerely, Georgia Gerick and Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*

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**Sincerely, Georgia Gerick and Family** - March 19, 2021 at 11:57 AM



CP

“ *Cathy and Paula purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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**Cathy and Paula** - March 18, 2021 at 11:16 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 17, 2021 at 09:45 PM

EG

“ *Sending our love and sympathy to you, Marilyn. We missed Dorland's yearly Christmas letter tucked in your card! Always a pleasure to hear about your year since retirement. We have so many wonderful and fun memories of REA meetings and dinners. Very special time with very special people like you and Dorland. Ed and Janet Gant*

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**Ed Gant** - March 17, 2021 at 04:00 PM

JT

“ *Jennifer Trimpe lit a candle in memory of Dorland Worth Smith*



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**jennifer trimpe** - March 17, 2021 at 07:32 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 16, 2021 at 07:38 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 16, 2021 at 07:01 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 16, 2021 at 10:33 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 15, 2021 at 10:09 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 15, 2021 at 02:45 PM



“ *Marilyn and family. So sorry for your loss. Prayers are with you. It was a joy to visit with you.*

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**Carol Kolves** - March 15, 2021 at 01:52 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 15, 2021 at 12:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.*



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March 15, 2021 at 11:28 AM



“ *We were sorry to hear of your loss. Always a pleasure to visit with him. Our sincere sympathy, Darell and Rosanne Sarff*

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**Rosanne Sarff** - March 15, 2021 at 10:23 AM

CW

“ Marilyn and Family, the Wendt family is very sorry to hear of your loss of Worth.

Candy Wendt - March 14, 2021 at 08:45 PM

MP

“ So very sorry to learn of Dorland;s passing Thinking of you Marilyn , and your family!

Mary I Potts - March 14, 2021 at 08:11 PM

PH

“ Marilyn and family - sorry for our loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Phyllis Hedden*

Phyllis Hedden - March 14, 2021 at 10:49 AM

DH

“ Sorry for your loss, my father (Howard Bell) thought very highly of Dorland. The family always used to send me a Christmas card with a picture of the family. Lots of good memories.

Donna Hitchcock - March 14, 2021 at 08:22 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.



March 13, 2021 at 10:26 PM

AM

“ We will miss Worth, he was are go to man when ever we had trouble with our cell phones, always fixed them with a smile.



Alice Miller - March 13, 2021 at 09:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorland Worth Smith.



March 13, 2021 at 08:24 PM

ES

“ So sorry for your family Marilyn and you to hear of Worth's passing. We've missed seeing you since you had moved closer to family. Prayers for comfort.



Elva Stigall - March 13, 2021 at 07:51 PM

JL

“ Marilyn, I am so sorry to hear about Worth passing. He is really missed in MCGHS. Prayers and hugs for you and his family.



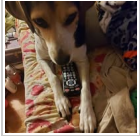
Joann Lynn - March 13, 2021 at 07:36 PM

DB

“ *Marilyn, so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. I have missed seeing you around Havana since you moved. God's peace & comfort to you & your family.*  
*Donita Bitner*

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**Donita Bitner** - March 13, 2021 at 07:25 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Marilyn, Lisa, Eric, Lynn and families. Worth will be missed. ❤️*



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**Nancy Elliott** - March 13, 2021 at 07:14 PM