



Harry F. Smith

January 7, 2019 - January 7, 2019

Harry F. Smith, 96 of New York, NY, passed away peacefully on Monday, January 7, 2019 surrounded by his family. Harry was born in Sayre, Pennsylvania on May 1, 1922, the son of the late Carmela DeSisti Smith and Frank Smith and grandson of the late Joseph and Ernesta Petrocco DeSisti of Sassinoro, Italy.

Harry graduated from Sayre Area High School and attended Syracuse University. He left Syracuse University to enlist in the United States Marine Corp and served in World War II and the Korean War. Upon his return from service he continued his education, receiving his bachelor's degree from University of Southern California and an additional degree from the International Import and Export Institute, Phoenix, Arizona.

After starting his career in the import and export business with Dow Chemical, Harry changed direction, owning and operating a real estate brokerage in New York, NY until his retirement.

Harry experienced great satisfaction from having had the opportunity to own and live in his historical residence located on Stuyvesant Street in New York City. Stuyvesant Street is one of the oldest streets in the borough of Manhattan, and his home was built for Nicholas William Stuyvesant in 1795, making it the oldest house in the East Village. The house has been used

solely for residential purposes, successfully maintaining its original plan for nearly 225 years.

Harry is survived by his nieces, Carmela Pace (Gary) Baldwinsville, NY, Kathleen Poll (Rick), Matthews, NC, Mary Santini (John) Lorton, VA, Bridget Martin (Todd) Spencerport, NY, and his nephews, William (Kim) Skerpon Sayre, PA, David Skerpon (Chris Baldrige) Harrisburg, PA, Ted (Laurie) Skerpon Camillus, NY, and Timothy (Julia) Mahoney Rochester, NY. In addition to his parents and grandparents, he was predeceased by his sister and brother in law, Charlotte and William Skerpon, and sister and brother in law, Joann and Michael Mahoney.

Per his request, there will be no calling hours, and a private family burial will take place at the Epiphany Catholic Cemetery, Sayre, PA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Harry's memory to Carmelite Monastery, St. Therese's Valley, 3551 Lanark Road, Coopersburg, PA 18036-9324.

Arrangements are under the supervision of Crestwood Cremation and Funeral Services, New York, NY and Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home, Sayre, PA. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Epiphany Cemetery

134 South Keystone Ave
Sayre, PA 18840

Tribute Wall



“ *Harry F. Smith*

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Harry F. Smith*

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Harry F. Smith*

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Harry F. Smith*

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ *Harry F. Smith*

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Harry's passing. He was my oldest cousin as I am the daughter of Benny and Verda Smith. Luckily we meet in 2010 in New York for a cousin's reunion and heard wonderful stories of the grandparents and family recipes. I am so thankful for that special time. My family and I have you all in our thoughts and prayers. Barbara Smith Lattimer*

Barbara Lattimer - January 13, 2019 at 10:26 AM

VS

“ *Please accept our deepest sympathy.*

VFW Post 1536, Sayre - January 10, 2019 at 12:18 PM

JD

“ *Joseph And Pam Desisti lit a candle in memory of Harry F. Smith*



Joseph and Pam Desisti - January 09, 2019 at 12:02 PM