

William J. Smith

William J. Smith, 61, of East Palatka (formerly of Hastings), died Sept. 14, 2009, at Putnam Community Medical Center in Palatka following a brief illness.

He was born to Mary Smith and the late Lonnie B. Smith. He attended Walter E. Harris High School. William loved his devoted wife, whom he was married to for 35 years. William also loved to spend time with his brother, fishing. William had his own lawn service and worked faithfully until his passing.

Survivors include, devoted wife, Brenda (Perry) Smith, East Palatka; mother, Mary Smith, Hastings; brothers, Karl Smith, Miami, Reginald Smith, Hastings; sisters, Linda Milton, Welaka, Emily Smith, Gracida Smith, Annetta McMillian and Connie Harris, all of Hastings.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Sept. 26 at 2 p.m. at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 800 Madison St., Palatka, Pastor Rev. Clarence Mallory and Pastor Lorenzo Wright Sr. of Rhema Healing and Deliverance Ministry, officiating. Burial will be in Pattersonville Cemetery, East Palatka.

Viewing will be Friday at Stephen UM Church, in Hastings from 5-7 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m. until time of service at the church.

Coleman's Mortuary of Hastings is in charge of arrangements.