



Kendall Owen Smith

September 5, 1928 - October 30, 2022

Kendall Owen Smith, age 94, of Round Rock, formerly of San Antonio, passed away peacefully in his sleep in the early morning hours of Sunday, October 30, 2022, at the Cottages at Chandler Creek. Kendall was born on September 5, 1928, in Wilson, North Carolina to the late Walter Ray and Lou Ellen Owens Smith.

Kendall earned his undergraduate degree from George Washington University and his M.S. and Ph.D. in Microbiology from the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill. Kendall proudly served his country as a member of a MASH Unit stationed in Korea during the Korean Conflict with the United States Army. Kendall married the love of his life, and his best friend, Lillian Irene Outlaw, on December 25, 1949, in San Antonio. Together they would spend the next 72 years raising children and grandchildren, honoring each other in the good times, and the bad, and living a lifetime of memories that only 72 dedicated years can make.

Kendall was a brilliant man who worked as a research scientist. Kendall enjoyed many years as a Professor of Microbiology at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio where he was able to help shape the future of medicine one student at a time. He was a member of the Christian Medical Society and an inventor who held numerous patents for tools associated with medial research.

Kendall was a longtime, active member of the First Baptist Church of San Antonio who had a passion for photography, especially butterflies and flowers.

Kendall's impact on society, as a research scientist, a Christian, and family man, will be felt for generations to come.

Kendall is survived by his loving wife, Lillian Irene Smith; one son, David M. Smith, and wife Kathy; grandchildren, Shelly, and husband William DeLeon, and Daniel Smith, and wife Gevelyn; nieces, Hillary MacLeod and Jessica Knoll; and by a host of other relatives and very special friends. He was also preceded by one brother, Donald Smith.

Funeral services for Kendall Owen Smith will be held at 1:00 P.M., Monday, November 7, 2022, at Mission Park Funeral Chapels – South. 1700 S.E. Military Drive, San Antonio, TX 78214. Interment will follow at Mission Burial Park South.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park South

1700 SE Military Dr.
San Antonio, TX 78214
<http://www.missionparks.com>

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Tribute Wall

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“ *I was privileged to work in Dr. Smith's lab and to benefit from his teaching when I was a medical student. I will never forget his concern and fatherly care for me. He loved to laugh and he was very generous with his time. I am so grateful to have known him.*
Rita Haws Plemmons

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