

Merle L. Smith

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Merle Leroy Smith, 72, of Fleetwood, passed away Sunday, August 25, 2013 at his home. Born March 6, 1941 in Cumberland, Maryland, he was a son of Walter Aaron and Irene Shipley Smith. Mr. Smith was an electronic engineer for Eurotherm Corp. in Reston, Va. and MTL in Manassas, Va. His love in life was his family and fishing with his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Janice Freeman Smith; his daughter, Laura Smith and husband, Jeff Smith, and their children, Riley Kathleen and David Merle Smith, all of Charlotte; and his son, David Merle Smith and wife, Jacqi Schrand Smith, and their children, Hunter David and Logan Walter Smith, all of Manassas, Va.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Sandra Vining and Kathy Bennett.

Private services will be held in Strongsville, Ohio.

The family suggests memorials to Calvary United Methodist Church, 922 Railroad Grade Rd., Fleetwood, NC 28626.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at the website
www.austinandbarnesfuneralhome.com

Austin & Barnes Funeral Home and Crematory in Boone is serving the Smith family.