



Smith, Dr. Heath, Wyatt and Noah

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Heath Smith, Noah Smith and Wyatt Smith.

Funeral services for Dr. Heath Smith, 40, Wyatt Smith, 8, and Noah Smith, 6, of Paradise, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at First Baptist Church of Decatur, with a private burial to follow at Paradise Cemetery. Visitation will be held 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday at the church.

Dr. Heath Smith, Wyatt Smith and Noah Smith left this earth for their heavenly home on Jan. 14, 2024.

Heath Colin Smith was born Jan. 16, 1983 in Fort Worth to Rick and Joyce Smith. Early on in his childhood, it was clear that Heath was gifted in the area of academia, graduating from Paradise High School in 2001 with honors. Heath went to pursue his dream of becoming a doctor, completing his undergraduate degree and medical school at Texas A&M University and a general

surgery residency at Virginia Tech Carilion in Roanoke, Virginia. A gifted surgeon who could have practiced anywhere, he chose instead to return home to Paradise.

Of all his scholastic accomplishments, Heath was most proud of his family. He met his beloved wife and best friend, Andrea, in the fifth grade, marrying her freshman year of medical school in 2006. Heath and Andrea eventually welcomed three sons, Colin, Wyatt and Noah. Committed to each other and their family, they took every opportunity possible to spend time with their boys and give them experiences they would never forget. Heath instilled in his boys his love of hunting, working hard and cherishing friends and family. As they grew older and were able to do more, Heath took immense pride in watching his boys excel in their school and sporting activities.

Wyatt Dane Smith, born in Roanoke, Virginia on June 20, 2015, brought joy and laughter to all who had the privilege of knowing him. Our boy had a zest for life that was evident by the many hobbies he enjoyed, which included hunting trips with his family and friends, flag football and working on the ranch. Wyatt was the hardest working ranch hand you will ever meet and was known for his ability to drive anything since the age of four. To know Wyatt was to know he was his dad's constant shadow, ever ready to throw on his boots and head out the door to help or be involved in any adventure. Though all boy, Wyatt possessed a tender heart who took pride in his arts and crafts, making bracelets for his mom and friends. He loved singing with his mom and playing video games with his brothers.

Noah Lane Smith, born in Decatur on June 26, 2017, completed the Smith boy trio. The baby of the family, Noah adored his dad and older brothers, following them around and wanting to be involved in everything that they did. Like the rest of his family, he loved to be outside, especially when it involved fishing and playing flag football. Noah's playful nature quickly endeared him to both children and adults. In a close-knit family, Noah was known as his mama's boy and her protector, often reminding his brothers to do the right thing.

Although their departure has left a void in our lives that can never be filled, we take heart knowing they are now singing and enjoying everlasting life with Jesus.

They are survived by devoted wife and loving mother, Andrea Smith; son and brother, Colin Smith of Paradise; Rick and Joyce Smith of Paradise; Tammi Presley of New Market, Tennessee; Landon and Ashley Smith, Chance Smith; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins; Wilma Smith of Decatur; and Pat Potts of Arlington.

Heath is preceded in death by his grandparents, E.L. Smith, Porter Armstrong and Lou Etta Armstrong; father-in-law, Steve Ericson; and brother-in law, Andrew Ericson.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Dr. Heath Smith Memorial Foundation set up by First Financial Bank in Bridgeport.

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