



## William J. Smolinski

March 17, 1939 - August 11, 2022

William J. Smolinski, 83, died August 11, 2022 at Stamford Hospital surrounded by his loving family. He was born March 17, 1939 to John C. Smolinski I, and Helen Grabowski.

He was predeceased by his sisters Frances (Elsie) Buckett and AnnMarie Greene and brothers John C. Smolinski II and Teddy Smolinski. He is survived by his sisters Jane Krajewski of Florida, Paula Hartlett of Stamford and brother Edward Smolinski of Florida, and several nieces and nephews along with dozens of God Children.

Billy attended Stamford Public Schools. At age 17, he joined the ARMY received his GED and became a Paratrooper in the 101'st Airborne Division. He was an Iron worker and his specialty was painting Flagpoles in the Stamford/Greenwich area. He loved the Freedom of the Sea, was a Fisherman and Gardner, and since he was born on St. Patrick's Day, he considered himself an Irishman and celebrated singing all the Irish and Patriotic songs he knew.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus as Third Degree Knight. Above all he loved God, Country, and his Family. Billy was a friend to many, and will be dearly missed.

His family welcomes relatives and friends for a visitation on Wednesday, August 24th from 6pm to 8pm. A Knights of Columbus Service will be celebrated at 7pm, this service will be streamed live for family, relatives, and friends unable to attend. To attend, please select "webcast video" on Williams's obituary at [www.bosakfuneralhome.com](http://www.bosakfuneralhome.com).

A private interment service with Military honors will take at Rocky Hill Veterans Cemetery, in Rocky Hill, CT the following day.

If you wish to make an online remembrance for the family online, you may sign the family guestbook at [www.bosakfuneralhome.com](http://www.bosakfuneralhome.com) or [www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome](https://www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **24**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bosak Funeral Home & Cremation  
453 Shippan Avenue  
Stamford, CT 06902

## Funeral Service

AUG **24**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bosak Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William J. Smolinski*



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**Bosak Funeral Home** - August 19, 2022 at 02:23 PM

JE

“ *Billy, this is the time I would be sending you your special St Patrick's day/birthday card. I think of you often and the good times we had. My kids also remember you with fondness. I know you are singing in the angel's choir!*

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**Jane B Erway** - March 10, 2024 at 12:44 PM

Jl

“ *The Mightiest of the Eagles, "Uncle Billy" was a true and honorable man, with a heart of gold that would light up any room with his pure love and energy. Never feared, never faltered, never gave up. He was a US Army 101'st Airborne Paratrooper, a true Patriot who would never let his country down. He knew the words to more Patriotic and Irish songs than anyone and would sing his heart out each and every time he celebrated. He loved the American Flag, honored and respected the Veterans and everyone he knew, alive and dead, loved animals, loved the water, fishing, clamming, and cooking. In times of trouble.... "Damn the torpedoes, full steam ahead", and in times of saying goodbye... "Y'all come back now ya hear?... I hear...I hear!" Above all, his strength, spirit, and soul will remain and live on with each and everyone he ever met, as "The real McCoy." You will be sorely missed. - "Billy" is buried at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Middletown, CT and is now flying freely with the his favorite birds, the Eagles. God Bless you and God Bless America!*

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**John C. Smolinski III** - August 26, 2022 at 01:46 PM

GR

“ *I never saw Billy without a smile, Rest In Peace , gi*

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**Gi Rodriguez** - August 23, 2022 at 06:52 PM

MB

“ *Billy was the love of My Family, RIP Always in our Heart. My Condolences to the Family, Billy was a Great Man witha Giant Heart n Loved to sing. Until we meet again Billy, Fly High. Love You Bunches. May God give the Family Strength to carry on through this. Prayersfor all.*

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**Marie Bundock** - August 18, 2022 at 10:49 PM

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“ *It is with great sadness that I learned cousin Billy passed away. He was, without a doubt, one of the kindest persons I have ever known. Thank you for always remembering me, Amy and Andrea. May you rest in everlasting peace. I shall miss you...  
Sincerely,  
Cousin Frances*

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**Frances Cyboski Uva** - August 17, 2022 at 05:57 PM

LA

“ *Billy was the nicest man  
May you Rest In Peace  
You will be missed*

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**Lauri** - August 17, 2022 at 04:17 PM