



Thomas "Check" Smith

June 22, 1929 - December 24, 2012

Mr. Thomas (Check) Smith, age 83, of Stockbridge, passed away Monday, December 24, 2012. He retired from the city of Atlanta in 1991 where he served as the Superintendent of Hartsfield International Airport or better known as "Mr. Airport". He is survived by his loving wife; Shirley Rose Barry Smith, children; Reba Terrell, John Smith, Tina Miller, brother; Roy Smith, sisters; Rachael Atwood, Becky Pace, grandchildren; Sonya Terrell, Zachariah and Amy Terrell, Cynthia Randall, Samantha Smith, Kyle Smith, many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Saturday, December 29, 2012 at 2 pm in the chapel of Ford-Stewart Funeral Home. Pastor Larry Hammock and Pastor Mike Kofahl will officiate. Interment will be at Sherwood Memorial Park. The family will receive friends Friday, December 28, 2012 from 5 to 8 pm at Ford-Stewart Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Uncle Check you will be greatly missed and one of the few great men I've known.*

Love,

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Lindsay Rainey - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dear Uncle Check's Family.*

I know that many people would agree with what I am writing. Uncle Check was a very rich man. Oh not in the sense of the word, but in the sense of who he was and how he touched everyone that he came in contact with during his lifetime. His success was largely due to his personable approach. He was genuinely interested in hearing your story and simply being there for you. Uncle Check's gift was his ability to relate to anyone and find common ground that made you feel important and special. He loved people and cared about their life and their story, and he was fiercely loyal to his family and friends, and to anything they did. He liked to connect with people and was curious about everyone. He could carry on a conversation with anyone and make you feel as though you're the only one in the room.

He had such an influence over his family and friends by teaching them through example about faith, honor, and integrity. He did his best to never miss an important event in his children's lives.

If there had been anything more I wanted to say to my Uncle Check, it would have been that I was truly blessed in having him as my Uncle.

Faith, Family, Friends. That was my Uncle Check, that was what was important to him.

Richard & Cindy Uber - December 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We loved uncle Check. Our hearts are broken. With deepest sympathy we send our condolences.*

Scott Smith & Randall Smith - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM