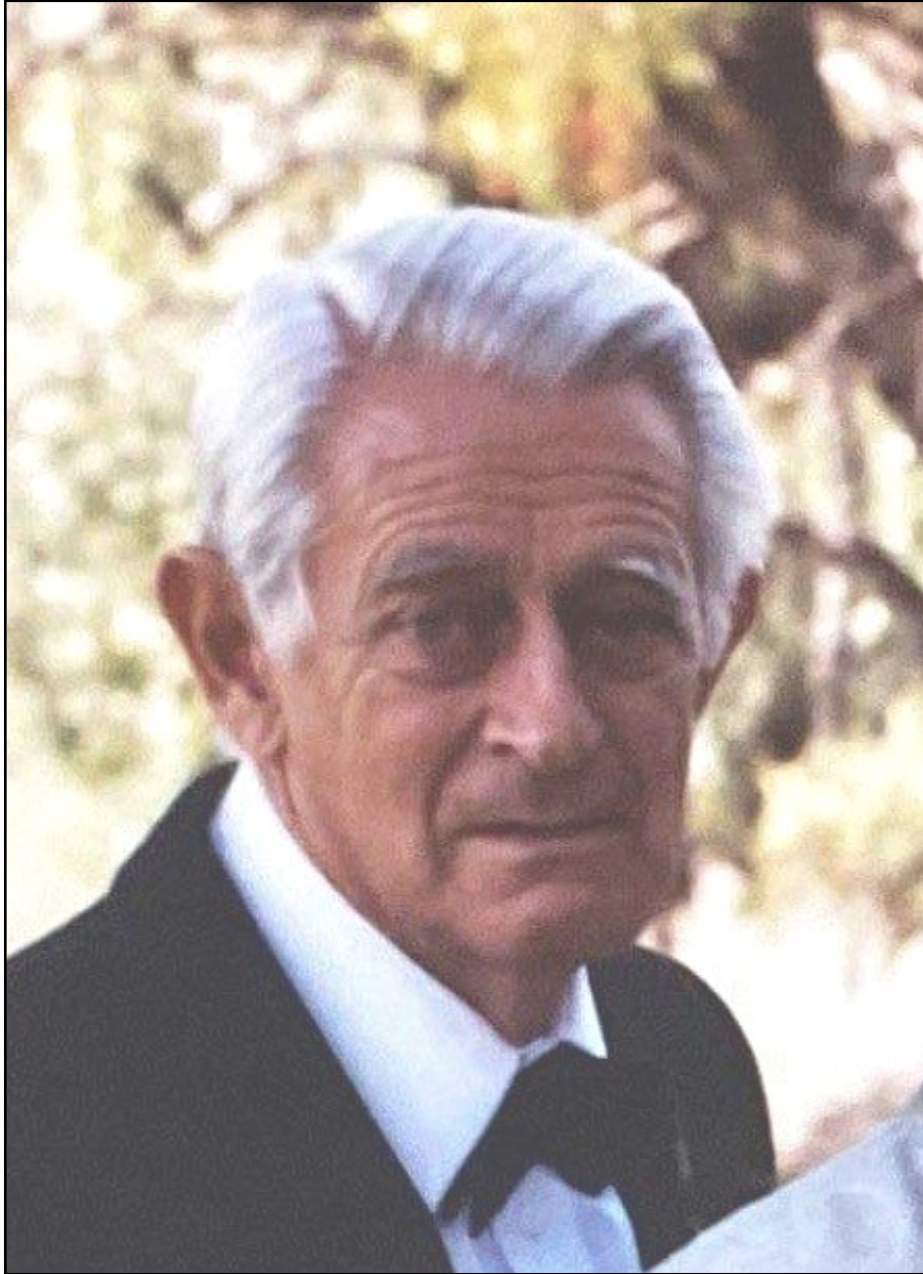


Celebrating the Life of

Michael Smith



25th June 1937 ~ 18th March 2022

Griffith Baptist Church

Friday 25th March 2022

commencing 2:00pm



Michael John Smith

Dearly loved husband of

Audrey

Much loved father and father in law of

Mark & Maria

John & Kristy

Loved Grandad of

Francesca & Evan

Joel, Giovanna, Grace,

Angus and Phoebe

Brother and brother in law of

Garth (dec) and Pat Smith



Greetings and Welcome

Pastor Alasdair Pow

Opening Hymn

"How Deep the Father's love For us"

Opening Prayer

Pastor Alasdair Pow

1st Bible Reading (John 14:1-6)

Read By Grace and Angus

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

You know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Spiritual Reflection

Pastor Alasdair Pow

2nd Bible Reading (1 Peter 1:3-9)

Read by Joel and Giovanna

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith, of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire, may result in praise, glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

2nd Hymn

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Eulogy

Read by Mark

Piano and slideshow Item

Played by Francesca

Closing Hymn

"Great is thy Faithfulness"

Closing Prayer

Pastor Alasdair Pow

How deep The Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.

Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away, stood an old rugged Cross
The emblem of suff'ring and shame
And I love that old Cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain

So I'll cherish the old rugged Cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged Cross
And exchange it some day for a crown

To the old rugged Cross, I will ever be true
Its shame and reproach gladly bear
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away
Where his glory forever I'll share

So I'll cherish the old rugged Cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
and I will cling to the old rugged Cross
And exchange it some day for a crown

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be

CHORUS

Great is Thy faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness

*Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

REPEAT CHORUS

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

REPEAT CHORUS











Audrey, Mark, John and extended families
thank you for your presence here today
and for your expressions of sympathy,
love and support.

They invite you to join them for light
refreshments in the church hall
following the service.



Griffith Regional Funeral Services