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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Lynn D. Smith of Rushville, who passed away on July 27, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Lynn Smith was born on March 29, 1936 in Farmers Township in Fulton County; his parents were Charles D. and Lillie (nee Woodford) Smith; he married Donna Burmood on July 26, 1964 in Knoxville; and

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WHEREAS, Lynn Smith served in the United States Army Corps of Engineers during the Vietnam Era; he was stationed under the ice cap in the Arctic Circle; and

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WHEREAS, Following his military service, Lynn Smith was a member of the Operating Engineers for 61 years; he worked for S. W. Hardwick in Beardstown before becoming elected as the Buena Vista Highway Commissioner, where he retired in 1999 after 32 years of service; he then began L.D. Smith and Sons Excavating; and

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WHEREAS, Lynn Smith served as Mayor of Rushville from 1999 to 2003; during this time, he was instrumental in developing the back 9 holes at Scripps Park Golf Course and establishing Wilson Street and the Rushville Business Park; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lynn Smith was a member of the Schuyler County
2 Board, the Route 67 Corridor Committee, the Two Rivers Regional
3 Council of Public Officials, and the West Central Mass Transit
4 District; he was a member of the Rushville Rotary Club, where
5 he served as President and was involved in building the Scripps
6 Park shelter, restroom, and constructed picnic tables; he also
7 volunteered his time for many community projects, including
8 Habitat for Humanity, and was a member of the Schuyler American
9 Legion Post #4 and AMVETS in Beardstown; and

10 WHEREAS, Lynn Smith enjoyed Sunday drives and was an avid
11 reader of Ancient and Civil War history; he built his own home,
12 enjoyed woodworking, and built each of his grandchildren
13 rocking horses; he also enjoyed excavating and spending time
14 with his wife and family; and

15 WHEREAS, Lynn Smith was preceded in death by his parents;
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17 WHEREAS, Lynn Smith is survived by his wife, Donna; 2 sons,
18 Kendall (Sherry) Smith and Christopher (Kristin) Smith; 4
19 grandchildren, Emily, Nathan, Charles, and Henry Smith; 2
20 brothers, Ivan Smith and Stanley (Barbara) Smith; 2 sisters,
21 Joyce Chaplin and Barbara (Robert) Spencer; an uncle; and many
22 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his
3 family and friends, mourn the passing of Lynn D. Smith; and be
4 it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to the family of Lynn Smith as an expression of our
7 sympathy.