



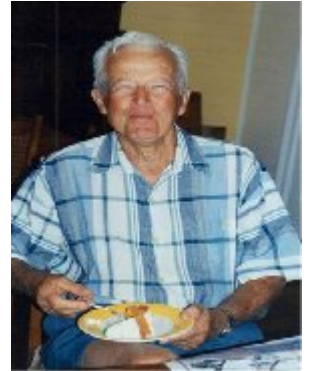
# William Spencer Smith



A tribute by his granddaughters,  
Tennille, Nadine & Rhiannon

We know you would be proud Pa, just as we were of you. You put up such a good fight and showed nothing but strength the whole way through. We will miss you forever, and you will always be loved.

From all of us down here, we call this sling -



27/4/1927 to 21/2/2006.  
Prostate Cancer Victim

## Pa's Fight

William Spencer Smith was more than a grandfather, he was my pa. He was the tall one with white fluffy hair, the big contagious grin. The who loved you as if you were the most precious thing in his world. Pa you meant the world to me. You shared your life, your love and your kindness with everyone that knew you. As a child I thought you would never leave, so when you did it was one of my hardest days. I might be selfish but I still wish you were here to share in all the wonderful things that life is now delivering. **Love Tennille.**

## Pa was a gentlemen's gentleman

I think the story about Ethan being conceived is a special one and that Pa did ask the "Big man above" at the pearly gates for a favour.

My husband and I were struggling to have a baby. We had been through a rollercoaster ride of IVF treatment and not sure if we could afford another. But against all odds and refinancing our house we did. We had gone in for egg collection and things were not looking good, most of our eggs had not survived. Usually IVF waits 5 days to see if any of your eggs begin to grow, we got a call a day later to say that one was going strong, they wanted us in the next day, 3 days earlier than normal. I looked at my husband with tears and said "do you know what day tomorrow is? it's the anniversary of my pa's death".

Three years on we have a healthy, energetic 2yr old toddler named Ethan, who has blue eyes, another beautiful sign. My husband has chocolate brown eyes, I have green, my Pa had blue. So every now and then I look above and say "thank you Pa with all my heart"

Pa always told us not to give in, keep our heads high and that one day we would witness a miracle. I just wish he could have met Ethan. **Love Nadine.**

In 1995, whilst reading a "Readers Digest" magazine Pa noticed an article on prostate cancer. It warned of the dangers in not having a PSA blood test once men reached the age of 50. The PSA is a simple blood test that can detect the prostate cancer at very early stages.

Pa went and had the test, and found the levels very high. Radiation treatment was started to try and stop the cancer.

Over the next 10 years, Pa tried alternative remedies along with Chemo treatment, but the cancer had started to go through his body.

Pa lost his fight against prostate cancer on the 21st February 2006. He died in Baringa Hospital

Pa was special to myself and my family because he was the only grandfather we ever knew. He was a real Pa. His face would light up upon seeing you and he always hugged you like he didn't want to let go. He loved the simple things in life—his family, swimming, animals, VB and desserts. He is missed terribly by everyone that ever had the privilege of knowing him and will forever remain in our hearts. **Love Rhiannon**

