Ray "Jim" M. Smith was born Sept. 22, 1939, in Iowa City, the son of Harley Ray and Agnes Katherine (Brogard) Smith. He was graduated from Kalona High School in 1958.

On Aug. 12, 1989, he married Bonnie L. Scurr in Iowa City. They lived in the North Liberty area before moving to Millersburg, where they have resided for the last 20 years.

Jim farmed and raised horses before retiring in 2002.

Jim died on Aug. 15, 2012 at Marengo Hospital at age 72. He is survived by his wife Bonnie of Millersburg; his children Jimmie Smith of Des Moines, Carmen McShane of Bondurant and four other children; 11 grandchildren; and a sister Anna Mae Bissell of Hiawatha.

Services were Aug. 18, at the Powell Funeral Home, North English. Burial was in Millersburg Cemetery.