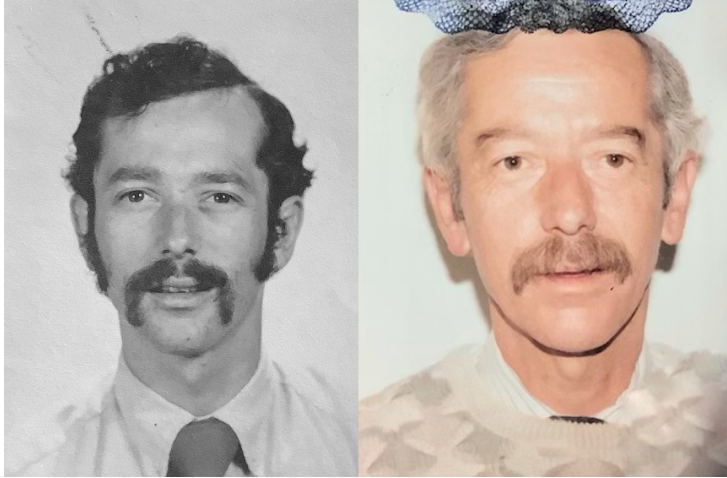


## Obituary: Andy Smith



Andy came to Maryland after graduating from Manhattan College in 1968. A mutual friend introduced him to Sue, and they were married on June 28, 1969. Their first child, John was born on November 01, 1970, and their daughter, Lisa, was

born on March 02, 1976. Andy embraced fatherhood and was a devoted family man.

Andy coached John's soccer team for 12 years. John remembers that every Saturday he has a soccer game, Andy would take him out to the backyard and throw the ball as high as he could and ask John to trap it, until John trapped it completely. They were not ready for the game. From the time Lisa can remember, Andy would take her roller skating on Saturdays or Sundays, just the two of them. Andy tried to get her to go in her teen years because he said it was their special time together, but as she got older, she didn't want to go. She wishes now that she had, and who can forget all the fun her and Andy had decorating the Christmas cookies!

Later on, with both kids grown, Andy became very active in the Church. He was a Grand Knight and a Eucharistic Minister at St. Mary's and both a Eucharistic Minister and an usher at the Shrine. Andy loved God and his family meant the world to him. We all miss him terribly and we thank God for every moment HE gave us with him.