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Jeryl LeRoy Smith Lee - Houston Herald (4/13/2004)

Jay Smith

Jeryl "Jay Lee" LeRoy Smith, died Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2000, at his home at Sea Level, N.C.

Mr. Smith held an undergraduate degree in engineering from the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla and a master's degree in communication from Stanford University.

He owned Texas County Broadcasting radio station at Houston for several years. He was an engineer and technical writer for the U.S. Government and such companies as Boeing, Monsanto, and Siemens. He retired to the North Carolina Outer Banks and began to write fiction. His novel, "Absolute Zero" is being reviewed by publishers and is likely to be in print in 2001.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dewey Franklin Smith and Rosemary Koonce Smith.

Surviving are his daughters, Amy Deaton Smith of New York, N.Y., and Katherine Duff Smith of Tahlequah, Okla.; and a brother, Dewey Franklin Smith of Harlingen, Texas.

Memorial services were Oct. 14 at Sea Level, N.C., under the direction of Munden Funeral Home and Crematory Inc. of Morehead City, N.C.

Memorials may be made to Hospice Foundation of Carteret County, 3601 Bridges St. Suite F, Morehead City, N.C. 28557 or to the Carteret County Public Library, 210 Turner St., Beaufort, N.C. 28516.