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Bats: Unknown • **Throws:** Unknown
Full Name: George Smith
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Year	Age	Tm	Lg	Lev	Aff	Stint	From	To
1912	--	Evansville Yankees	Kentucky-Illinois-Tennessee League	D				

Chadwick ID: 703024a2

C. Smith

Position: Shortstop
Bats: Unknown • **Throws:** Unknown
Full Name: C. Smith
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Year	Age	Tm	Lg	Lev	Aff	Stint	From	To
1913	--	Cedar Rapids Rabbits	Central Association	D				

Chadwick ID: ecdeb609

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Positions: Shortstop and Second Baseman
Bats: Unknown • **Throws:** Unknown
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Year	Age	Tm	Lg	Lev	Aff	Stint	From	To
1913	--	Pittsburgh Fillipinos	Federal League	Ind			1913-05-12	1913-06-02

Chadwick ID: ect2913e



George Harmon Smith

BIRTH 22 NOV 1889 • Pennsylvania
DEATH 23 AUG 1982 • Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania, United States of America

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In a pitchers' battle between Ramsey, of the Filipinos, and W. Miller, of Cleveland, Manager Deacon Phillippe's hope came out on top, 2 to 0, yesterday afternoon at Exposition Park. Cleveland out-hit the Fils. getting four blows to three by the locals. Two new men in the lineup of the Fillipinos helped the team considerably. Smith, at short, put up one of the best fielding games seen in the old park this season, while Haberman, the Sharpsburg boy, who covered the third station, played the game up to the handle. Manager Phillippe yesterday released Bloom, Schrieffer and Bennett.

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cently released by Manager Phillippe, is next to Menosky, with an average of .266. Callahan comes next, with .263. Ashenfelter, the heaver who jumped from the American Association to the local Federal League team, is next to Callahan with .261. George Smith, who covered short in 20 games for the Filipinos, was batting at an average of .258 at the time he was released. Rosser, in 20 games, hit at a .253 clip up until the time the averages were made out. Since that time Sabrie has been clouting the ball to all corners of the lot, and his average will

"BUNNY" SMITH NEW SHORT STOP MAKES DEBUT TODAY

GAMES TODAY AND TOMORROW.

Kewanee at Cedar Rapids.
Waterloo at Monmouth.
Burlington at Ottumwa.
Keokuk at Muscatine.

Gordon H., called "George," "Rabbit," "Bunny" Smith, a son of the one time famous world's champion sprinter, arrived in Cedar Rapids this morning to play short with the Cedar Rapids ball team. "Bunny" Smith will be in the game this afternoon.

The new shortstop's family has a sporting history which will ever be remembered. "Bunny" Smith's father, whose name also is Gordon H. Smith, was the world's champion 150-yard man in 1881 to 1886. Smith sr. was the only American to win the Sheffield handicap in England. He won it twice. Robert Smith, Bunny's brother, is a ten second man in the sprinting line and has quite a record. And Bunny himself is quite a sprinter, having won many races in college.

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Bunny says that his father, who lives in Pittsburgh, is very proud of his running ability, and often tries to show his sons how to sprint. As the father is advanced in age, the boys usually outdistance him.

The unique thing about young Smith is that for several years he has been called "Bunny" and "Rabbit." Now he is surprised to find himself on a team of Bunnies or Rabbits.

Smith plays the short position and the second sack. With Cedar Rapids he will do the shortstopping. He broke into baseball by playing on the University of Pittsburgh team in 1910 and 1911. After school closed in 1911, he finished the season with Huntington, of the Pennsylvania State league. In 1912 he was with the Evansville, Indiana, club of the Central league. This spring he played independent ball.

The lineup of the Rabbit team will

George Smith To Umpire in Mid-Atlantic



George H. Smith

George H. Smith, a sports figure and entertainer in Western Pennsylvania for many years, died yesterday in St. Clair Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Smith, 92, a resident of the Methodist Home on Bower Hill Road, Mt. Lebanon, played professional baseball for Pittsburgh of the Federal League and for Montreal of the International League. He had umpired baseball for 57 years until 1972. He also was a founding member of the Pittsburgh Umpires Association in 1918 and the West Penn Basketball Officials in 1916.

He was a Dapper Dan award winner in 1972, and in 1974 won election to the Western Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame.

Mr. Smith acted in and directed many amateur musicals and minstrel shows. In later years, he visited many hospitals and children's institutions as a clown. He was a founding member of the Harige unit of the Shriners.

He was a member of the Syria Temple, Whitehall Lodge 794, F&AM, and the Baldwin Community United Methodist Church.

Surviving are two sons, G.E. Robert of Arendtsville and Norman R. of Pittsburgh; a daughter, Lenore A. Smith of Hershey; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Friends will be received from 7 to 9 p.m. today and from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. tomorrow at the

ist never got started.

George Smith To Umpire in Mid-Atlantic



GEORGE H. SMITH, JR.

"Where the sun always shines," has been the real estate inducement attached to the Knoxville district for years, and now along comes a real home son who is expected to shine in umpirical regalia this season as one of the arbiters in the Middle Atlantic league. George H. Smith, Jr., a resident of Knoxville, who received his early baseball training on the McKinley Park grounds back in the days when "Bill" Doak, "Ennie" Kirkpatrick, Dink Lober and others were "kids," leaves Tuesday to take his umpire position with the minor leaguers where he functioned last season in a very successful manner.

Several arbiters such as Beggs Snyder, Jimmie Ahearn and others who have risen to heights in their work and the name of Smith is also linked with these notable indicator handlers.

In his early teens, 1909 to be exact, "Smithy" was the dashing shortstop for the Beltzhoover Amateurs, which later were known as the Adam Hahn club, with the famous Pittsburgh bowler then serping as the club sponsor. This club had seven players enter professional ball. Smith's first "pro" berth was in 1910 with Huntington in the Central Penna. league and he played next to "Chuck" Deal of the 1914 world's champion Boston team. Jess Petty, now with Brooklyn, pitched for the club.

After the Evansville, Ind., team of the Kitty league failed to meet his demands in 1913, Smith joined the Pittsburgh Federals, then managed by "Deacon" Phillippe. It was through the efforts of George and Alvin Hicks of Washington, Ind., that Eddie Roush, present Cincy sensation, started in professional ball and he was signed for \$75 per month. Late that season Smith, with Leo Haberman of Sharpsburg and Lloyd Rosser of Brookline, were released and Smith was signed by Cedar Rapids, Ia., of the Central association. He was later drafted by Montreal, of the International league, and played short under "Kitty" Bransfield, former Pittsburgh luminary.

Smith's last professional berth was with Lewistown in the New England league in 1915. The peppery Knoxville then became manager of the Monongahela Division team of the Pennsylvania railroad league with Nig Smith at the Pittsburgh Division helm and Toby Fullerton, present Freeport pilot, leading Conemaugh.

After these years in the minors, Smith returned home and played with the leading clubs around Pittsburgh and then turned to the rabid life of an umpire.

George is a son of the famous old professional sprinter, George H. Smith, the only American to ever win the Sheffield Handicap in England. Smith is a product of one of the best sand-lot associations governing baseball games in this country—the Pittsburgh Umpires' association, and ranks with the best officials in the body.

McCarthy Nine Wins

