

Casket Bearers
Nephews

Floral Bearers
Nieces

Farewell Brother

I used to sing, I used to shout; cause the Lord is what it's all about. I used to laugh, I used to cry; but now it's time to say goodbye. No more doctors, hospitals or medicine to take. No more pain, sorrow or decisions to make. For now I'm in that holy place, where I can behold Him face to face. For the battle is over and the victory is won. Come home my child, thou good and faithful son, well done. Your tasks down here are finished at last, we can only share memories of the past. The Lord has called and I must go, for we'll meet again one day I know. He's coming back again real soon, just get ready for, maybe morning, night or noon.

Acknowledgment

We, the family of the late John Smith, Jr., would like to express our appreciation of the outpouring of love shown to us in our time of need. We pray that God will bless each of you in a special way.

— The Family

Services Entrusted To:

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Homegoing Services
Celebrating the Life
of
Mr. John Smith, Jr.
"Cricket"

Sunrise May 5, 1962



Sunset February 8, 2019

Wednesday, February 13, 2019 2:00 P.M.

Bethlehem Baptist Church Newberry, South Carolina

Reverend Frederick Smith, Pastor Reverend Jacqueline R. Sims, Officiating

Obituary

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes; there will be no more death, or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

— Revelation 21:4

The storm is over now and it is the dawning of a new day, for to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. On Friday, February 8, 2019, John Smith, Jr., answered God's call and entered into Eternal Rest. The Lord's angels came down and took him by the hand and told him that his work down here is done and that he has been set free.

John was affectionately known as "Cricket". He was born on May 5, 1962, in Newberry County to the late John Smith, Sr., and the late Laura Mae Lindsay Smith.

Mr. Smith was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lindsay; ten aunts; six uncles; and one sister-in-law, Mrs. Bobbie Lindsay.

He leaves to cherish his memory a daughter, Kierra Mitchell Gilbert (Steven); son, John Raphael Mitchell (Cotrina); granddaughters, Tatiana Elise Myers and Leiarah Joannae Jefferson; ten brothers, James Lindsay, Harry Lindsay, Curtis Lindsay (Shirley) Tommy Lindsay (Robin), McArthur Lindsay, Joseph Smith, Kevin Smith (Eloise), Richard Smith (Jacqueline), Greg Smith and Jeffrey Smith; four sisters, Janice Mathis (Bobby), Margaret Smith, Josephine Robinson (Otis) and JoAnn Smith (Randy) all of Newberry, SC; aunt, Rebecca L. Rollins of Richmond, VA; uncles, Jimmy Lindsay (Mamie) of Newberry, SC, Willie Fred Lindsay of Alexandria, VA; fifteen nieces, twenty-five nephews; a host of great nieces and nephews; two special friends, Leroy Lyles of Newberry, SC, and his ex-wife, Patricia Smith-Brockington of Columbia, SC; other family and friends who will miss him dearly.

A Loving Farewell



Order of Service

Prelude	Soft Music
Processional	Clergy and Family
Final Viewing	Family and Friends
Selection	Corey Dewalt
Scripture Readings	Rev. Willie B. Ellis
Prayer	
Reflections	Willie Graham
Selection	Min. Thomas Chisolm
Words of Comfort	Rev. Jacqueline R. Sims
Recessional	
Committal and Benediction	Graveside
Interment	•
	Newberry, South Carolina