

You Had To Go Too Soon

I read of a man who stood to speak at the funeral of a friend. He referred to the dates on the tombstone from the beginning... to the end. He noted that first came the date of birth and spoke of the following date with tears, but he said what mattered most of all was the dash between those years. For that dash represents all the time they spent alive on earth and now only those who loved them know what that little line is worth. For it matters not, how much we own, the cars... the house... the cash. What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash. So think about this long and hard; are there things you'd like to change? For you never know how much time is left that still can be rearranged. To be less quick to anger and show appreciation more and love the people in our lives like we've never loved before. If we treat each other with respect and more often wear a smile... remembering that this special dash might only last a little while. So when your eulogy is being read, with your life's actions to rehash, would you be proud of the things they say about how you lived your dash?

Author Lind Ellis

Loving Memories



Active Pallbearers

Richard Hudson
Demetrius Mondaine
Sedrick Phillips-Smith

Howard Mayes
Deacon Tony Morris
Shawn Smith



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There is a very special thanks within our hearts for all of the family, friends and neighbors who cared and showed love in thought and deed. You so willingly came to assist us in our sorrow, grief and distress. You gave us comfort when we needed it most. For now, we'll say "Thank You" and offer a sincere prayer that God will bless you and keep you forever in His care.

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Papa Robert Lee Smith, Sr.

Minister IT, Tei Powell
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Celebrating the Life of



Robert Lee Smith Sr.

Sunrise: August 29, 1933

Sunset: September 5, 2020

Thursday, September 17, 2020
10:30 A.M.

Service held:

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Life Reflections

Robert Lee Smith, Sr. was born in Leland, Mississippi on Aug 29, 1933 to Willie and Mamie F. Smith, who preceded him in death. Robert was the seventh of eight children born to that union.

Robert attended elementary school in Shaw, Mississippi. Later, the Smith Family relocated to St. Louis, Mo. where Robert attended St. Louis parochial Schools for a short time and completed his primary education in the St. Louis Public School District. Robert proudly graduated from Vashon High School in 1953.

Robert accepted the Lord Jesus into his life as a teenager and was baptized under the late Rev. Harmon Gore, Sr. at Christ Southern Mission Baptist Church. He later moved his membership to The Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ under the leadership of Pastor Marion E. Woods and Co-Pastor George Amos Woods.

Robert was united in holy matrimony in 1955 to JohnEthel Thomas Smith, who preceded him in death. To this union was born two children Robert Smith, Jr. and Sylvia Ann Smith.

Robert later remarried his beloved Gloria Jean Allen-Smith in 1971, who also preceded him in death; and to that union was born two children Derrick Lamont Smith and Dana Lynette Smith. In his lifetime, he fathered 6 children and gained 3 bonus children. He loved them all the same.

Robert retired from Kisco Manufacturing Company after 35 years of service and tried to enjoy every minute of his retirement. He would go fishing as much as he could. He loved watching G.S.N, the Cardinal baseball games and was a die hard Cardinals fan. He also loved watching Criminal TV along with drinking his energy drinks and partaking of his daily dose of scratch offs. He resided in the home of his beloved daughter Sylvia for 18 years of; who cared for him until his final days.

We are truly going to miss him!

Robert Lee Smith Sr. had seven siblings' three sisters, Queen Esther Lane, Luella Brown and Mamie R. Peterson Burks, four brothers, Malachi Smith, William Smith, Marion L. Smith, whom all have preceded him in death and he leaves to cherish his memory Eddie Lee Brown (Mary) his youngest brother.

It was the grace of God that touched the life of Robert Lee to see five generations of his off spring. He leaves to cherish his memory five children Sylvia Ann Woods Grisby (Curtis), Timothy Cherry (Elizabeth), Tobias Cherry (Victoria), Derrick Smith and Dana Smith Mayes (Howard). Robert Smith Jr. his eldest preceded him in death, three bonus children Valerie (John), Charles Cherry (Portia) and Chris Cherry (Melba). He also leaves to cherish ten Grandchildren with six bonus Grandchildren, sixteen Great Grandchildren with six bonus Great Grandchildren and five Great Great Grandchildren with two bonus Great Great Grandchildren. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends Ms. Emma Cherry and Mrs. Deloris Powell, friends Deacon Tony and Evangelist Terry, caretaker Claude "Red."

Loving Memories



Order of Service

Processional	Ministers & Family
Scripture Reading 1Thess. 4:13-18	Missionary Elsie Lomax Williams
Mistress of Ceremony	Sis. Kenyatta Johnson
Prayer	Elder Eric Griffin
Selection "It's So Hard To Say Goodbye"	Great Grandson Sedrick Phillips-Smith
Acknowledgement & Condolences	Min. Tei Powell
Letter From Son, Derrick Smith	Min. Tei Powell
A Special Tribute (2 minutes)	Great Grandchildren: Demetrius Mondaine, Shaun Smith, Dameashia Mondaine
Poem "From Granddaughter to Grandfather"	Aneitra Harris
Life Reflections (Soft Music)	
Special Remarks (2 minutes)	Brother Eddie Lee Brown
Remarks (2 minutes)	Pulpit Ministers
Selection	Granddaughter Evang. Nikki Banks
Eulogy	Suffrogon Bishop Ron. E Stephens Pastor, Temple Church of Christ
Last Glimpse Until Glory	Funeral Directors in Charge
Recessional	

Interment

Laurel Hill Cemetary
2000 Pennsylvania Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63133

Repast

Club Vision
5731 Dr. Martin Luther King
St. Louis, MO. 63112

My peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you; not like the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27