

Active Pallbearers

Terry W. Smith
Kenneth W. Smith

D'Torian W. Smith
Errick Boyd

Rev. Ricky V. Johnson
Derrick Boyd

Honorary Pallbearers

Deante A. Smith
Randall Johnson
Mario Palmer

Barry Garrison
Chris Smith
Kenneth Palmer Jr.

Wesley Mitchell
Marlin Williams
Edward Webster

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The family of Carolnett "Key of C" Smith would like to extend our deepest appreciation to everyone. We thank you for your prayers, calls, and texts during this difficult time. Special thanks to Heritage of Longview, Davita, and Longview Regional Medical Center Critical Care Unit.

Interment

PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY
Hallsville, Texas



THERE WILL BE NO REPAST

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:



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Celebrating the Life and Legacy of



Sis. Carolnett

"Key of C"

Smith

Alpha: July 3, 1950 - Omega: June 11, 2022

CELEBRATION SERVICE

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022
2:30 IN THE AFTERNOON

PLEASANT HILL
BAPTIST CHURCH
HALLSVILLE, TEXAS

REVEREND ELLIS ROBERTS, PASTOR
REVEREND REGINALD V. LONG I, OFFICIATING
DR. TIMOTHY J. BROWN, EULOGIST





Life Reflections



Carolnett Johnson Smith was born to the parentage of the late Frank A. Johnson, Sr. and the late Beulah Johnson on July 03, 1950, in Hallsville, Texas. She is number six of the twelve born from this union. Carolnett graduated from Galilee High School in Hallsville, Texas with honors. She was the class musician and excelled in the music program.

Upon graduating High School, she entered the Nursing School as a eager student in the nursing program. She later worked at Good Shepard Medical Center, in the cafeteria for Hallsville ISD, and Rod's Music Shop.

Nett, was the name she was often called by her family and loved ones. She was united in Holy matrimony to, Roger Smith. This union was made official on June 27, 1970. She was a "June Bride". From this union was born two beautiful and talented children, a son, Terry W. Smith and a daughter, Stacy L. Smith.

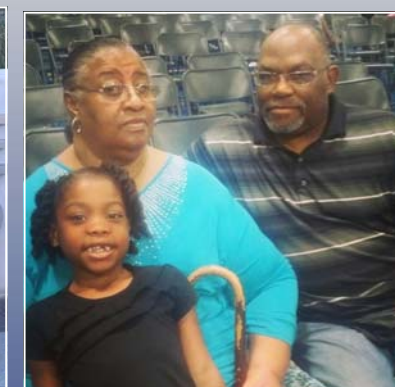
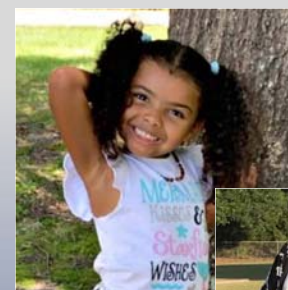
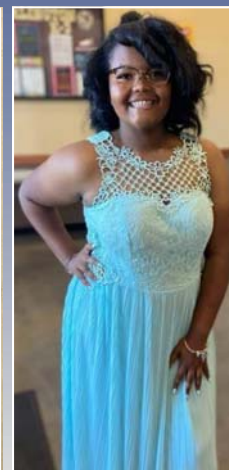
Carolnett accepted God at an early age at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church as dedicated member and musician. There her love for being a musician began and flourished. She was the church musician, and choir director of her brothers and sisters, others too. At that time, she had perfected every song in the "Key of C". Later in her musical journey was added another musician Bro. Lawrence Long Sr. He then began to expand and teach her there were more other keys than C. She learned and got better singing and playing with the church.

She became known for her immaculate singing voice, and her humble spirit to serve as a musician for anyone who needed one. You can count on her to go to an instrument piano or organ at a church if they were vacant. She served as a musician for many choirs over 50 plus years. Starting with Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Golden Hill Baptist Church, St. Paul Baptist Church Tatum, TX, Longview Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance Choir, and the East Texas Baptist-Longview District Association Choir.

With her voice she blessed many and was introduced to the Longview Chapter of GMWA by the late Rev. Eddie Templeton. She served as the Assistant Chapter Representative and was on the Board of Directors of the Texas Mass Choir. She was a MIGHTY alto in those choirs. She also participated in the Board of Directors for the Chapter Representatives at GMWA. She sung in the Mass Choir of GWMA, and the Woman of Worship choir of GMWA. She was privileged to record with the Texas Mass Choir "Teach the Word", written by the late Rev. Eddie Templeton. She also recorded with the Woman's of Worship of the GMWA choir "Hold On" written by Mrs. Tamera Taylor. She served in these organizations, and the Minister of Music of the St. Paul Baptist Church until her health failed. Even when she was not at her best she still pressed on Sunday after Sunday playing the organ and singing with her oxygen. She was faithful and dedicated until the end.

God saw the faithfulness of His servant and saw she was tired. Carolnett's number came up on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at Longview Regional Critical Care Unit. She answered the call of God's voice, good and faithful servant well done, come on home. I know that she is singing and playing in the heavenly choir with her white robe and golden slippers.

She leaves to celebrate her life: her dedicated and loving husband of almost 52 years, Roger Smith; Two Children, Terry W. Smith (Tammy) and Stacy L. Smith (Special Friend Frankie); two brothers, Paul Johnson (Sharon); Royal Lee Johnson (Margaret); three sisters, Frankie "TM" Johnson; JaAnn Garrison (Jimmy); JoAnn Boyd (Kenneth); Grandchildren, Deante A. Smith, D'Torian W. Smith, Aaliyah N. Smith, Davian Hopkins, Darian Brooks; Great-Grandchildren, Layla Hopkins, Noah Folgner (deceased), Lilly Pauline Schlecht, and Saige Brooks. god-grandchildren, Sanaah N. Daniels, and Ka'Niya D. Robinson along with a host of Aunts, Uncles, Brothers- in-Love, countless nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and choir members.



God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be,
so he put his arms around you and
whispered, "Come to Me". With tearful eyes we
watched you and saw you pass away and although
we love you dearly we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating, hard working
hands at rest. God broke our hearts to
prove to us, He only takes the best.

We love you always Nana,
Deante, D'Torian, Davian, and Darian

A Tear for Nana

Nana, when I think about you being gone, my heart is saddened,
and I don't know how I'll go on. You always had time to listen to
my complaints. We've said so many times sitting together in
churches and parking lots, "What they got on? or It's not that hot
outside." You taught me more about life, the importance of family,
and cooking more than anyone at all. You were always available,
anytime I would call. I shed a tear because my "Nana/Mama" is
gone. Somehow, I now must find the strength to go on.

I love you forever and always Nana,
Miss Aaliyah



Musical Prelude

Processional..... Ministers, Pallbearers & Family

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Scriptures:

Old Testament..... Reverend Ricky Johnson

New Testament..... Reverend Royal Johnson

Prayer..... Reverend H. C. Rockmore, Sr.

Selection..... "Hold On"

Recorded by GMWA Woman's of Worship..... Longview Chapter/Texas Mass Choir GMWA

Soloist: Carolnett Smith

Resolution..... St. Paul Baptist Church - Tatum, TX

(all other resolutions will be passed in for the family)

Obituary..... [Read Silently]

Words of Comfort..... Reverend J. D. Palmer

Eulogy..... Dr. Timothy J. Brown

Pastor, New El Bethel Baptist Church - Dallas, Texas

Tribute - Class of 1968

"The Bible" Craig Funeral Home

Parting View..... *Craig Funeral Directors in Charge*

(please exit after viewing to allow the family private time)

"Teach the Word"

Recorded by The Texas Mass Choir..... Longview Chapter/Texas Mass Choir GMWA

Soloist: Carolnett Smith

Recessional

To My Love

I hope you will never forget that I love you. It's hard sometimes to tell you how much you mean to me. Carol if I did anything right in my life it was the day, I gave you my heart and vowed to be with you until the end.

You have become my best friend, my soul-mate, my encourager, and yes, my best critic. In other words, Carol you are my everything. I thank you for not only giving me almost 52 years of happiness, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren; but more so you gave me you.

On Saturday a week ago, I learned that good-byes are not forever, I learned that good-byes are not the end. They simply mean that I'll miss you until we meet again. I'll see you later...

I love you, Roger



Mama,

I remember what you told me and now that day is here. I can't believe it came so fast. Thank you for the lessons of love, forgiveness, trust and most of all the lessons of God's forever love. Rest Mama. I'll take care of the family. I'll see you in my prayers and dreams. I love you forever.

-Pooh



Mama,

I wasn't ready to let you go. I just wanted one more time. One more time to kiss, hug, and hold your hand. One more time to say, "I love you", to sing, and play with you. Yet here we are. I know God only takes the best. You are the best Mama, friend, cook, and musician I know. I am at peace knowing you are no longer in pain and suffering. I will not forget how important it was for you to have Christ in your life, and that you made sure I knew Him too. I can never fill your shoes, but I will take care of Daddy. I'll make sure the grandchildren have their mac-n-cheese, white soup, and tetrazzini. Thank you for all you've done for me. Things I knew about and all the things I didn't know. This is not our permanent good-bye, but our temporary see you later. You fought a good fight, and your healing is on the other side. I'll miss you, until we meet again.



Love Always, Your Daughter Stacy