

*In Loving Memory
of*



Derrick Smith

Sunrise
June 3, 1959

Sunset
February 4, 2012

Services

Monday, February 13, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

Perry Funeral Home

34 Mercer Street

Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Jason Guice, Officiating

Obituary

Derrick Smith was born June 3, 1959 to Shirley Mae Smith and Robert Smith Sr. in Newark, NJ. He went home to rest on February 4, 2012.

Derrick was educated in the Newark School System. Derrick graduated from Shabazz High School and went on to gain his Black Seal License. By the age of 19 Derrick was Head Boilerman of Kretcher Homes Projects. He held various jobs after. But his main job was his children.

Derrick final position was Doorman at Resnick & Sons a position that gained him a lot of friends whom he touched in different ways.

Derrick was a family man and always had his children by his side day and night along with Tiffany, Jihad, Sal, and Najeelah who he cared for like they were his own. Derrick's joy in life was playing sports, especially football with his children. He was fun, loving, and always willing to help out if he could. He loved music, singing, and doing crazy dances to make the children laugh. He will truly be missed by his family, friends, and all that came in contact with him.

He follows home his mother, Shirley Mae Smith; father, Robert Smith Sr.; sister, Diane Carol Northern; sister, Patricia Ann Smith; brother, Samad Ali; nephew, Samad Turner; and granddaughter, Ayanna Lewis.

Derrick leaves to cherish his memories: three children, Ameenah Lewis of Justice, Louisiana, Raheem and Akeem Jennings of Bronx, NY; two grandchildren, Brielle and Kayla Jennings; two brothers, Robert Smith Jr. of Boston, Massachusetts and Keith Smith of Syracuse, NY; five nieces, Deirdre Northern of Irvington, NJ, LeKisha Flint of Lathonia, GA, Sameerah Thompson of Newark, NJ, Janan Motley of Newark, NJ and Regina Motley of Newark, NJ; three nephews, Clifford Northern of Irvington, NJ, Al-Faal Ali of Denver, Co. and Kasib Motley of Newark, NJ; and a host of great nieces and nephews.

God saw you growing weary so He did what He knew was best He came and stood beside you and whispered "Come to me and Rest".

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer

Remarks

Obituary

Solo

Eulogy.....Rev. Jason Guice

Viewing

Recessional



Interment
*Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey*

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.*

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.

*Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.*

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it up with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh, yes these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,

God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

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May God Bless and Keep You!

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