

*In Loving Memory of*



*Ms. Ramona D. Smith*

Sunrise  
February 7, 1969

Sunset  
May 10, 2014

Service

Friday, May 23, 2014 - 11:30 a.m.

**Whigham Funeral Home**

580 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Newark, New Jersey

## *Obituary*

### **These are the loving thoughts that describe the earthly journey of Ramona D. Smith**

On May 10, 2014, God called His daughter Ramona D. Smith back into the loving arms of Jesus. “Mona” as her family lovingly called her was born on February 7, 1969 to the late Ronald and Emily Smith. Ramona was their second daughter.

Mona attended public schools in Newark, New Jersey and graduated from Barringer High School in 1987. Mona believed in the importance of a good education. Therefore, she continued her studies at Bloomfield College where she received a B.A degree in 1992. Her thirst for knowledge led her back to school, where she received a Masters in Public Administration from Kean University in 2005. Her love for education led her to push family members and friends back to school.

Mona had a contagious laugh that would make all around her smile. Her passion in life outside of loving her family was shopping, traveling and debating (lol). All those who knew her would confirm that she had a loving heart and spirit. She would go out of her way to lend a helping hand.

Mona worked for the Newark Municipal Court as a court clerk for the Honorable Judge Marilyn Williams from 1995 to 1998. Her tenor with Judge Williams blossomed into a mother daughter relationship. In 2005, Mona worked for the Newark Public Schools as a Court Representative in the Office of Attendance where she was admired by many.

Mona’s love for God and her desire to worship Him, led her to join St. Paul Baptist Church in Montclair, NJ.

Mona now joins her beloved parents Ronald and Emily. She leaves behind to cherish her memory and life, one sister; Rhonda R. Guderian, niece; Vanessa Guderian and a nephew; Kevin Guderian and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

# Order of Service

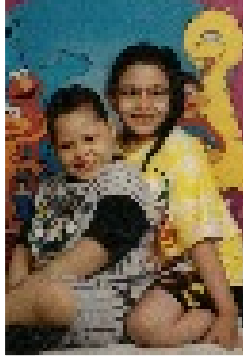
Greetings & Invocation .....	Bishop Roxanne L. Barnes New Life Multicultural Christian Center, Union, New Jersey (Relative)
Selection .....	Tonya L. Wingfield
The Scripture Reading	
Old Testament .....	Psalm 90:1-10 Overseer Williams Barnes
New Testament .....	I Corinthians 15:50-58 Honorable Marilyn E. Williams Judge, Newark Municipal Court
Prayer of Comfort .....	Pastor Donnell Barnes (Relative)
Musical Selection .....	Tonya L. Wingfield
Special Tribute From Best Friend .....	Dawn Issac (Best Friend)
Acknowledgements .....	Tanya Horton (Relative)
Life Reflections .....	Dr. Lisa M. Rollins (Relative)
Eulogy .....	Bishop Roxanne L. Barnes (Relative)
Funeral Director's Remarks & Instructions ...	Whigham Funeral Home
Recessional .....	Clergy Officials & The Family

## **Final Resting**

Fairmount Cemetery  
620 Central Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey 07107-1094

## **Repast**

Metropolitan Baptist Church  
149 Springfield Ave.  
Newark, NJ 07102



## *The Master Called*

I'm sorry I had to leave you,  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the Master called me,  
His voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When He felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew that I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear, but,  
Now I'm resting, Yes, I've crossed  
on over to glory and to you all I'll say,  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.

### *Acknowledgement*

*The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.*

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