



*A Celebration
of Life*

James Smith

Sunrise

May 20, 1929

Sunset

October 23, 2015

Wednesday, October 28, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

GREATER BIBLE WAY CHURCH

20 Southard Street

Paterson, New Jersey

Apostle Franklin Pettiford, Pastor



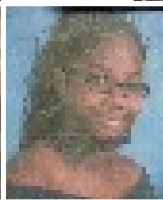
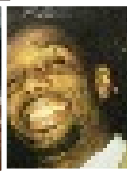
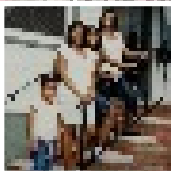
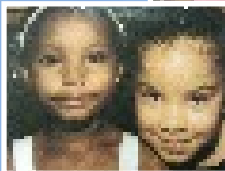
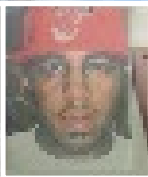
Father



grandparents FAMILY



grandpa



Reflections of Life

James Smith was born May 20, 1929 in Dublin, GA. He was one of ten children born to the late Willie and Ella Mae (Josey) Smith.

James moved to Paterson, New Jersey in 1965, where he resided until he was called home on October 23, 2015. He was employed by Spotless Cleaners for 15 years, and Brooks Brothers where he retired many years ago.

In 1948, he married his lovely wife, Luwill Smith, and this 67 year union was blessed with ten beautiful children.

He was preceded in death by his son, Clinton Smith; his parents, Willie and Ella Mae Smith; four brothers, Theron, Nehemiah, Lenton and Bobby Smith; three sisters, Willie Mae Mitchell, Emily Harrison, and Geraldine Smith.

He leaves to cherish fond memories: his loving and devoted wife, Luwill Smith; six daughters, Geneva Martin, Juanitra (Charles) Pettiford, Sarah (Artis) Dennis, Wanda Smith, Yvette Smith, and Stacey (Kenneth) Barbour; three sons, James T., John and Ronnie Smith; two brothers, Sylvester (Valerie) Smith and Tommy (Margaret) Smith; twenty-three grandchildren, nine great grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; and a host of other relatives and friends.



Order of Service

Processional
Clergy & Family

Prayer
Mattie Nannie McKoy

Scripture Readings
Old Testament - Psalms 90:1-10
New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Prayer of comfort

Solo
Elder Linda Stancil

Remarks
(2 minutes)

Reflections of Life & Acknowledgements
Tracy Martin

Solo
Elder Terrence Kitchings

Eulogy
Elder Pamela Samuels

Recessional

Interment
East Ridgelawn Cemetery
Clifton, 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

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **James Smith** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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