



Blondell E. Smith

April 24, 1934 - November 1, 2021

Blondell E. Smith was born April 24, 1934, in Little Washington, Virginia, to the late Mary Jackson and Frank Walker. Blondell shared her life with seven siblings, four brothers and three sisters. She was a hard worker and offered love to all she knew. Her family moved to Pennsylvania in 1959. She met the love-of-her-life, John D. Smith, Sr., and they were married in 1961. This union was shared for 30 years until the Lord took him home. From that union, they raised four children, James, Rickey, Marilyn and Frankie. Blondell enjoyed taking care of others. In her day-to-day responsibilities, she was a Caregiver sharing her heart for serving others and making sure everyone was happy and had what they needed. Even if she thought you needed something, a meal, a loaf of bread, and even toilet paper, she did her best to provide it. She loved the holidays and cooking, her specialties were macaroni and cheese, green beans and her famous pineapple upside down cake. It was always a joy to be with Mom, Mother Blondell, Nana, Grandmom, and she was truly loved by so many. She was everyone's Nana and Mother.

Blondell was a faithful member of The Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church family, and she kept the joy of the Lord in her heart even through her illness. She often said, "I just want to go to church one more time." Well Mom, you're here, and you are resting in the largest church there is, Heaven.

Blondell was preceded in death by her husband, John D. Smith, Sr.; her

mother, Mary Jackson; her father, Frank Walker; one brother, Hubert Jackson; one sister, Mary Minor Johnson; and her grandson, Cortney Jackson. She leaves precious memories of love to her children, James Jackson (Jonni), Rickey Smith (Lori), Marilyn Smith and Frankie Jackson, Jr. all of Harrisburg, PA; two sisters, Roberta Jackson (Arthur) and Louise Palmer, both of Harrisburg; three brothers, Frank Jackson, Sr., Charles Jackson, both of Harrisburg, and Lawrence Jackson of New Jersey.

Children she shared with her husband: Terry Smith, Connie Hughes, Barbara Frye-Chenault and John D. Smith, Jr.

In-laws, Leonard (Mary), Lonnie (Betty), James, Joe and Paula.

Grandchildren: Marilyn, LaShanna, Dawan, Zina, Jamiah, Angelina, Kimola, Rickey, Ebony, Gabriel, Antwanette, Christopher, Aisha, Niara, Jerrell, Josiah, Giavana, Michele and Kali.

Great-Grandchildren: Sidney, Jazlynn, Jayonn, Jordan, Jaceyon, Alajiah, Scarlett, Liam, Ahlesia, Kyzea, Kiersten, NiYuan, Aviannah, Uneek, Zavion, Legend and Ohoneste.

Great-Great-Grandchildren – Jahlonee, Cannon, Kaidyn and a new blessing due in April.

Two Precious Goddaughters: Breona of Maryland and Natika Winstead of Japan.

Daughters-In-Heart: Florence Winstead and Twanna George.

A host of nieces, nephews and so many valuable friends and children she adopted in her heart.

Blondell will be missed by us all, and we shall savor the memories of this special woman of God. Rest on Mom, no more suffering and worrying, you are at peace. We shall always love you and cherish you.

We would like to send our gratitude and thanks to EVERYONE who participated in making our mother's life manageable during her illness. We want you all to know we could not have done it without you. God Bless you ALL.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS OR SIMPLY YOUR NAME.

Cemetery Details

William Howard Day Cemetery

Lincoln and Carlisle Streets
Steelton, PA 17113

Previous Events

Flower Delivery

NOV **9**. 8:30 AM (ET)

Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church
212 N Progress Ave
Harrisburg, PA 17109
(717) 541-0388

Viewing

NOV **9**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wallace Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Blondell E. Smith*



Wallace Funeral Directors - November 09, 2021 at 08:58 AM

DD

“ *My deepest condolences. Your mom always was happy to see me and had kind words for me. Sadly missed. The family you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,
Darryl Lee Doleman*

Darryl Lee Doleman - September 06, 2025 at 05:15 PM



“ *A Journey Remembered - Praying you'll be comforted with precious memories and God's presence to care for you in your loss. With Sympathy- Mother Bernice East*

Bernice East - November 08, 2021 at 11:56 AM

TW

“ *To the family. Ms. Blondell was my neighbor for many years. She shared her Garden and much great inspiring conversations to me and ky family members on Herr St. May God be with you. She will be truly miss but not forgotten.*

Theresa Wise - November 08, 2021 at 03:54 AM

BT

“ Sincere condolences to the entire family at this difficult time. It was my great pleasure to be your Hairstylist for over 25 years, share wonderful laughs and beautiful stories of family. Rest in Paradise my friend.❤️

Beverly Bowman Thomas - November 07, 2021 at 10:52 PM

JK

“ To the Family,
My condolences to you all praying for God to encamp his angels around you blessing you all with comfort and strength during this most difficult time Mrs Blondell was giving caring and beautiful inside and out and owned the kitchen making them pots and pans talk I have many many memories of her cooking having my mother at her house taking care of her but my fondest memory is when I told her I would have my mother's funeral processions pass her house since she couldn't make the service (2020 Covid time) and there she sat front door open waving through screen door see you later Virginia (tears) thank you Lord for allowing me to see and talk to Mrs Blondell via FaceTime two weeks ago I'll love and miss her always your job is done Mrs. Blondell and it was a job well done take your most deserving rest you will be missed but never forgotten RIP Mrs Blondell



Jeanne Joyce - Lexington, KY - November 07, 2021 at 12:21 AM

LH

A beautiful Tribute.

Lila C Hunter - November 07, 2021 at 11:39 AM

DF

“ *My sincerest Condolences go out to the family in the loss of your lived one. May you be given the strength to endure in your times and sporadic moments of grieving. God Bless you all.*



Deborah Turner & Family - November 06, 2021 at 06:49 PM

MP

“ *Mrs. Smith as I know her always made me feel welcome at her home. I will remember always as a kind generous woman and I share in the families grief during this time. She is home with the lord now so I take comfort in that.*
Mark Perez

mark perez - November 06, 2021 at 05:00 PM

CM

“ *My Dearest Blondell*
You my sweetheart are missed. You made a great impact on many lives, but you were all about FAMILY...I thank you for checking on me after my mom passed. I'm gonna miss your laugh, the calls, and that Virginia cooking. Love you forever



Cousin Maria - November 06, 2021 at 04:49 PM

GT

My condolences to the family of Mrs. BLONDELL she will be miss I had thought about her and said she was the late out of the group that was friends with my mom left now they are all together again much love to families may God bless and comfort you

Grace Thomas - November 08, 2021 at 10:35 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Blondell E. Smith.*



November 06, 2021 at 04:25 PM



“ *Sending our condolences on the passing of Ms. Blondell.*



Connie & Berta - November 06, 2021 at 02:43 PM



“ *The Jackson/Palmer/Smith families
Our prayers for each of you are to receive
God's comfort and strength during the
mourning of your
mother/grandmother/sister/aunt.
She was a pillar of strength to your family. Hold one another up
knowing that she helped to hold each of you up.
Be in God's eternal blessings Miss Blondell.
Love, the Bryant family (Doris/CarLa/Jim/Ila)*



CarLa Bryant - November 06, 2021 at 01:08 PM

ZB

“Nana I love you so much!!! I will never let you go. You have always listened to me when I was struggling with life you guided me and loved me like no other. For that I am forever grateful ❤️❤️ SIP My Beautiful Nana 🥺🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Zina Bass - November 06, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“Rickey and Lori I am so sorry to hear of your mother passing.you all will be in my prayers. Ann Outlen

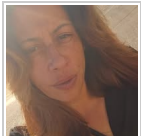
Mary Outlen - November 06, 2021 at 10:40 AM



“Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Blondell E. Smith.



November 06, 2021 at 08:06 AM



“Aunt Blondelle I love you dearly. You will forever be in my heart and mind. I have so many fond memories of you especially being called 'Tanjy' I love you always and forever Rest peacefully my Queen



Tanya Jackson - November 06, 2021 at 12:58 AM

LH

“ *Lila C Hunter lit a candle in memory of
Blondell E. Smith*



Lila C Hunter - November 05, 2021 at 11:07 PM

LH

“ *To the Smith-Jackson families:*

We were deeply saddened to hear of Blondell's passing. We loved her so much. She was a sister to me in my heart for over 48 yrs. She loved all of us. She was right with God in her soul. She lived her christian life to the fullest. If you needed help she did not have to know you to lend a helping hand. As for me, I have so many fun memories of her that I will cherish forever. I will miss her so much but I know she is at peace. Heaven just gained another beautiful angel. Donald & I are praying for you all. May a loving God comfort & strengthen you as you lay this wonderful lady to rest. Sharing in your sorrow & loving all of you. God bless.

Lyla Miller Hunter & Donald J. Miller

Lila C Hunter - November 05, 2021 at 11:02 PM

MC

“ *My whole life you have been there. Grandmom, my Nana, my heart. I love you SO MUCH. I learned so much from you and the example you set. I seriously thought you would live forever💔. I know you are Happy with Jesus and Pop Pop. Please know we will HONOR YOUR LIFE AND YOUR LEGACY FOREVER. I LOVE YOU!!!!*

Marilyn Christian - November 05, 2021 at 08:36 PM

LA

“ Nana my Blondelly you are now resting with pop pop give him a kiss for me I miss you so much you have no idea but know your homecoming service is going to be beautiful 😍

Lashanna - November 05, 2021 at 08:25 PM

JT

“ Randy, Ricky, Marilyn, & Frankie...I'm sorry to hear about the passing of Mrs. Blondell! Its so good to know Jesus & to know where she is! Of course you will miss her but take comfort in a life well live & all the people lives she touch in a beautiful, special way! It was a honor to know her! Jesus Is Lord! Love, Jacqueline Tippitt

Jacqueline Tippitt - November 05, 2021 at 06:10 PM

SW

“ To Rick and family you are in my prayers and I've been where you are, but God makes no mistakes.



Stacey Scott White - November 05, 2021 at 02:45 PM

MA

“ Rickey and Lot I so sorry to hear about you mother . God bless .I am praying for the family

Mary Outlen. Ann - November 05, 2021 at 01:41 PM