



Charles Smith

August 16, 1945 - November 10, 2019

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Psalm 84:10

Obituary

Charles Willie Smith was born on August 16, 1945, in Austin, Texas, to Stella B. Hardin Smith and Willie B. Smith. After graduating from L. C. Anderson High School, Charles joined the Army and Army Reserves where he attained the ranking of Staff Sargent and earned the accommodation of Marksman (M-1 Rifle). He continued his travels to California where he resided for many years before returning to Austin. There, Charles became a licensed CDL operator of 18-wheeler trucks and a Field Supervisor for the City of Austin, retiring after more than 20 years of service. Charles was a bar-b-que master, enjoyed fishing, hunting, and canning preserves.

In 1975, he married the love of his life, Burnsteen Roberson. Together they reared three children; Dana Jerrod, Tina Nicole, and Christopher Charles. Charles was a devoted husband, father, and a great provider; he taught his children the values of self-worth, leadership, commitment, hard work, and time management. His being humble, kind, and straight forward were three of his most amazing attributes that he shared with all whom he encountered.

Charles joined church at an early age and has been a faithful and active member of St. James for more than 46 years. As a Senior Usher, he took

extreme pride in serving with “pomp and circumstance,” leading the ushers in the service of God.

Charles used the bible as a roadmap to prepare himself for his “journey” through daily devotions, being an avid reader of the Bible, great biblical conversation, and as a loyal participant of bible study. These acts contributed to the further development of his relationship with God.

On Sunday, November 10, 2019, Charles Willie Smith was called home to the Lord. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Pearl Hodge and Carolyn Smith, and brothers Marvin Berry and Johnny Roy Smith.

Charles leaves in mourning his wife Burnsteen Smith; children Dana Jeroid Jones (Charlia), Tina Nicole Townsend (David), Christopher Charles Smith; grandchildren Nikita Simone Jones, Charla Nanette Jones, Kelvin Jeroid Jones, Danae Ariana Jones, Cameron Elander Townsend and Chance Christopher Smith; great-grandchild Curtis Ethan Townsend; siblings Everette “Blue” Smith (Wilma), Mary Moore (Anthony deceased), Otis Jones (Mary), Robert Earl Smith; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cook-Walden Capital Parks

14501 IH 35
Pflugerville, TX 78660

Previous Events

Public Visitation

NOV **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

E.M. Franklin Chapel@St. James Baptist Church
1812 E.M. Franklin Ave.
Austin, TX 78721

Celebration Service

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. James Baptist Church
3417 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Smith*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *3 files added to the album Memories Album*



A Life Celebration by Franklin - November 20, 2019 at 01:35 AM



“ *What a beautiful soul and a dignified Brother in our congregation! Every thought and memory I have of Brother Charles Smith has made me smile. "Christ is the Resurrection and the Life." -Rev. Jeffrey K Richard*

Rev Jeffrey Richard - November 16, 2019 at 06:52 AM



“ *My prayers and condolences to the family. Mr. Smith will be truly missed.*

Michelle Cannon - November 15, 2019 at 06:52 PM



My deepest condolences to Charles family, may God comfort your hearts.

Ella Moore - November 16, 2019 at 03:29 PM

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“ *Ronnie, Karen, Brittney & Keilan Roberson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Charles Smith.*



Ronnie, Karen, Brittney & Keilan Roberson - November 15, 2019 at 12:36 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Smith.*



November 15, 2019 at 12:04 PM

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“ *When we lose a loved here on earth, we gain an angel in Heaven that watches over us. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family.*



Phyllis Roe and the Roe Family

Phyllis Roe - November 15, 2019 at 11:14 AM

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“ *I love you Cuz you will be truly missed Thanks for being a great cousin to me I love you. Steve Hardin*

Steve Hardin - November 15, 2019 at 10:53 AM



“ *Our Condolences Is With The Smith Family*
The Haywood Family Bastrop County Texas



The Haywood Family Bastrop County Texas - November 15, 2019 at 12:59 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Smith.*



November 14, 2019 at 09:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Smith.*



November 14, 2019 at 06:29 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Smith.*



November 14, 2019 at 01:08 PM