





Sunrise January 21, 1939

Sunset January 5, 2011

Saturday, January 8, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE 1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ 07112

Rev. Ray Gerena, Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Catherine Smith was born in Fountain Inn, South Carolina on January 21, 1939 to the late Cornelia Steward-Henderson and John Henderson. She was called home on Wednesday, January 5, 2011.

Catherine attended Fountain Inn Grammar School in Fountain Inn, South Carolina. At a young age, she moved to Washington D.C. where she lived with her Aunt Nannie and Uncle S.W. Shell. Catherine relocated to Newark, NJ in the late 1950's. She attended Central Evening High School where she received her High School Diploma.

Catherine was the glue that held her family together, anybody that came by the house was well fed. She always had a warm smile and a warm plate. She will never be forgotten for her kindness and her warm heart. She will always be in our hearts.

Catherine was preceded in death by six brothers, Calvin Henderson (Diane), Lake Henderson, Ezell Henderson (Shirley), Johnny Albert, Robert Lee and Willie James Lee and two sisters, Lillian Jackson and Inez Walls.

She leaves behind: a loving husband of fifty-two years, Eugene H. Smith; four daughters, Shelly Brown, Cynthia Tucker (James), Kathy Lacey (Theodore) and Mamie Banks (Lloyd); two sons, Rashawn Smith and Daron Smith; five surviving brothers, Adge (Sherlene) Henderson, Ken Henderson, Willie (Elaine) Henderson, Steve (Annie) Henderson and Stanley (Tracey) Henderson; four surviving sisters, Mamie Sue DeJesus, Cornelia Stenhouse, Brenda Henderson and Hattie Mae Harris; stepmother, Lula Mae Henderson; nine grandchildren; two great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

Memories of Mom

Though her smile is gone forever and her hand we cannot touch; still we have so many memories of the one we love so much. Her memory is our keepsake with which we will never part; God has her in His keeping, we have her in our hearts.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Musical Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading Old Testament - Psalm 116 New Testament - I Corinthians 15:51-58

Prayer of Comfort

Selection "I Won't Complain"

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Remarks

Obituary

Selection "His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

> **Eulogy** Rev. Ray Gerena

Recessional

<u>Interment</u> Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Friends are invited to join the family for a repast in the New Hope Cafe at 646 Trumbell Street Elizabeth, NJ 07201 (908) 355-2800.





He Only Takes The Best

God saw you were getting tired And a cure was not to be, So He put His arms around you And whispered, "Come to Me" With tearful eyes we watched you, And saw you passed away. Although we loved you dearly, We could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, Hard working hands at rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat guietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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