



*In Loving
Memory
of*

Adolf Smith

Alpha
March 25, 1939

Omega
June 3, 2011

Saturday, June 11, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

GREATER PARADISE CHRISTIAN CENTER

2900 E. Oliver St. • Baltimore, MD 21206

Elder Donald Major, Officiating

Obituary

Mr. Adolf Smith, son of the late William Mack and Maggie Smith, was born on March 25, 1939 in Camden, South Carolina. He departed this life suddenly on June 3, 2011.

Adolf came to Baltimore in 1952. He received his education in the Baltimore City School system. In the early 1970's, he worked for Potts and Callahan as a form setter. In 1977, Adolf began working in the maintenance dept at Johns Hopkins University. He retired from there in 2001 after twenty-four years of loyal service.

In 1999, he was joined in Holy Matrimony to Shirley Brown. He was a devoted husband and father.

In June 2001, he went to work for UMDNJ in Newark, NJ as a Sr. Maintenance worker and was still employed there until his death.

He quickly made friends wherever he went. Adolf was a very kind and friendly person. He adored his family. He enjoyed cooking and was blessed with a gift and love for gardening. The exterior of his home was well groomed. You would have thought it was done by a professional landscaper.

He will deeply be missed by all who knew him, especially his loving wife and family.

He leaves to cherish these fond memories: his loving wife of eleven years, Shirley Smith; six children, Desmond, Savaughn, Lisa, Jermaine, Ebony and Brian; one sister, Marie Davis; two brothers, Albert and Willie preceded him in death; eight sisters-in-law, Vivian Smith (deceased), Rosa Smith, Bernice Heath (Willie), Alberta Gray (Horace), Louise Moore, Catherine Gaston (Isaiah), Eunice Moore and Jerilyn Brown (Harold); two brothers-in-law, Joe Coad (Geraldine) and Johnny Coad (Alfreda); one son-in-law, Kevin Witcher; nine grandchildren; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends and the highlight of his day his beloved dog, Pursy.



*If tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me, please know I'm in your heart.*

~Love Always, Adolf

Order of Service

Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer Minister Sherry Fields

Selection Myesha Curtis

Remarks

Acknowledgements

& Obituary Peggy Butler

Selection South Carolina Family

Eulogy Elder Donald Major

Benediction

Recessional

Interment
King Memorial Park
8170 Dogwood Rd. • Baltimore, MD

Goodbye

*I always took for granted, what I thought I'd never lose
Because I never thought it would happen, Until I heard the dreaded news.
They say you were chosen for His garden, His precious hand-picked bouquet
God really needed him that's why he couldn't stay.*

*Saying good-bye is never easy it's the hardest thing to do
But what hurts me even more is not the chance to say it to you
So today, Jesus, as you are listening in your home above
Would you go and find my husband and give him all my love?*

Lovingly Submitted, Shirley

Dads Poem

*You never said "I'm leaving" You never said "goodbye"
You were gone before I knew it, And only God knew why.
There are no words to tell you just what I feel inside
The shock, the hurt, the anger might gradually subside
A million times I'll need you, a million times I'll cry
If Love alone could have saved you, you never would have died
In Life I loved you dearly, in death I love you still
In my heart you hold a place that no one could ever fill
It broke my heart to lose you but you didn't go alone
For part of me went with you the day God took you home
Things will never be the same and all though it hurts so bad
I will smile whenever I hear your name and be proud you were my Dad.
~Love, The Children*

Pallbearers
Nephews



Flower Bearers
Nieces

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love shown during its hour of bereavement.*

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