

*In Loving Memory of*

*Monica  
Smellie*

Sunrise  
September 12, 1943

Sunset  
November 16, 2011



## *Reflections of Life*

**Monica Elaine Smellie** was born in West Kingston, Jamaica on September 12, 1943. Her parents were Amajine Smiley and Lanasan Smellie. She was the second of two children.

Monica received her formal education in the Denham Town School system. She gave her heart to the Lord in 1992 when she became a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church. She gave birth to seven children.

Monica was a stay at home mother who loved her children and took good care of them. She was a good cook. She was industrious, kind hearted and hardworking. She was willing to help others if and when she could.

Monica migrated to the United States of America in 1998 and lived with her daughter, Janice in New York. In 2002, she re-located to Paterson, New Jersey where she lived with daughter, Joan and her husband, Girvan Ricketts. In this same year, she joined the First Seventh Day Adventist Church of Paterson. She loved and adored her grandchildren.

After receiving her certificate in the health care field, Monica ventured out on her own in 2010. Now taking care of the sick, she herself became ill. She spent five months as a result in the St. Joseph Hospital in Paterson. Her condition worsened and on that fateful day, November 16, 2011, she took her last breath.

She is sadly missed by: her children, Sandra, Clive, Joan and Janice who are living in the U.S.A., Feann who is serving in the U.S. Air Force in Korea and Gary and Kirk who are living in Jamaica; nine grandchildren, Melonie, Ian, Dario, Deshawn, Tyanna, Breanna, Kimara, Jervon and Kara; and other family members and friends.

# *Order of Service*

## Service

Wednesday, November 30, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.

### **PATERSON SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**

343 11th Avenue

Paterson, New Jersey

***Rev. David King, Officiating***

Processional ..... Minister, Elders, Family Members

Opening Hymn ..... “The Golden Morning Is Fast Approaching”  
(Hymnal # 205)

Prayer of Comfort ..... Elder D. Evering

Scripture Reading ..... Job 14:12-14  
Deshawn Lindo (Grandson)

Scripture Reading ..... 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:12 -23  
Tyanna Burns (Granddaughter)

Musical Selection ..... Breanna Ricketts (Granddaughter)

Acknowledgements ..... Church Clerk

Tributes ..... Girvan Ricketts (Son-in-law)  
Church Members

Musical Selection ..... Family Friends

Obituary ..... Anniekay Ricketts (Family friend)

Musical Selection ..... 1<sup>st</sup> SDA Church of Paterson

Eulogy ..... Pastor David L. King

Closing Song ..... “Face To Face” (Hymnal # 206)

Benediction ..... Elder D. Lightbody

Instructions ..... Pastor David L. King

## **Interment**

Maple Grove Cemetery

Hackensack, New Jersey



# *The Master Called*

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the Master called me,  
His voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When He felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew that I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear,  
But, you see, the Master called me  
And, now I'm resting here.  
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory  
And to you all I say  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.*

*-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

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God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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