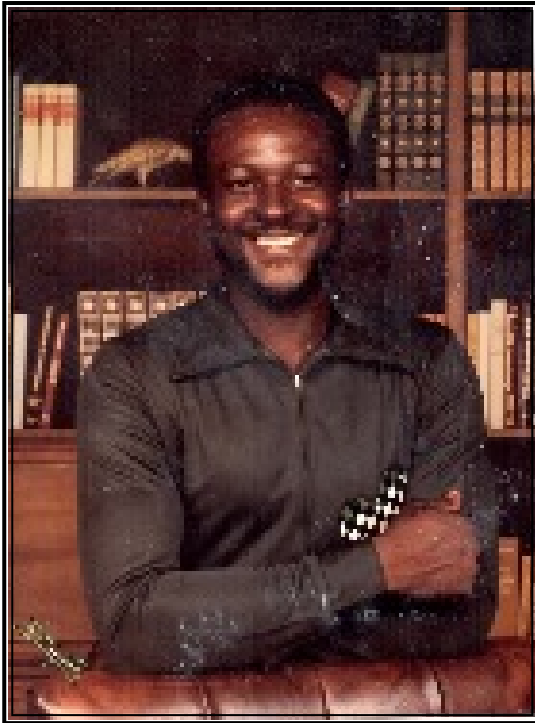


A Service of Thanksgiving  
For The Life of

Winston Avan Smithen



**Sunrise**

*March 2, 1952*

**Sunset**

*September 2, 2014*

*Tuesday, September 9, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.*

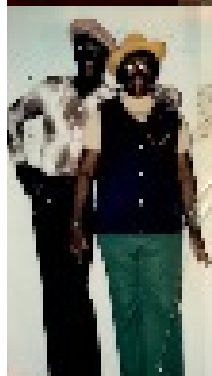
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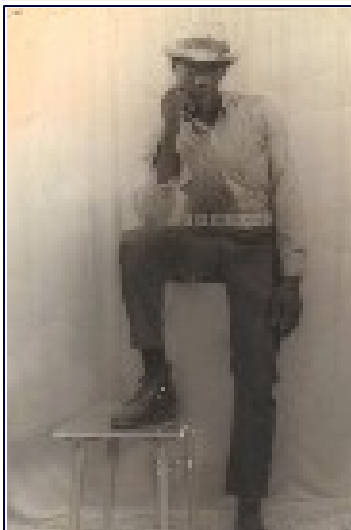
## Biography

**Winston Avan Smithen (AKA- "Professor")** was born on March 2, 1952 on the beautiful island of Antigua, West Indies to James (Jimmy) Smithen of Parham Village and Josephine Amelia Ileta Samuel of Swetes Village. He was the eldest of 8 children to his mother and fourth of 10 children to his father. He is survived by his brothers Reuben Lewis (NJ) and Hughlester Smithen (Parham Village); and sisters, Maidlyn Samuel (NJ), Lucia Samuel (NJ), Loleta Samuel (NJ), Camelita Smithen (Parham Village), Janice Smithen (Bronx, NY), Beverly Smithen (Parham Village), Veronica Smithen (Brooklyn, NY), and Pamela Smithen (Florida). His children Francine Beverly Bello (NJ), Veronique Monique Shauna Lynch (NJ), Christine Reubena Barnes (St. John's Antigua), Lucan Robinson (NJ), Winston Page (Texas), and Diasjon Robinson (NJ). He was predeceased by his mother, father, brothers Mikey Smithen and Lemuel Samuel as well as his sisters Claudette Smithen, Stevette Smithen, Joycelyn Mayers and Priscilla Samuel. He has 20 grandchildren as well as numerous nieces, nephews and great nieces and great nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles.

Winston attended elementary school at Roman Catholic school and Swetes Primary School in Antigua. In his early years he worked as a fisherman and Diver. He then committed to apprenticeship with Mr. Samuel Benjamin in Antigua and became a skilled Carpenter.

While in Antigua, he resided in Swetes Village. He migrated to St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands in 1973, and then later, to the state of New Jersey, USA in June, 1974. He has lived in the cities of Jersey City and Newark. He worked as a tradesman in Carpentry, independently, and with various companies through Local 485 Carpenters Union. He also worked for AMTRAK Railroad Company.

He had many lifelong friends including: Sam Lewis, Leroy "Figgy" Williams, Paget Robinson, Syl- "Mangoskin", Clifton "Tucko" Tomblinson, Leopold "Birdie" Smith and many more.



# Order of Service

Prelude.....Organist  
Processional.....Platform Participants  
Welcome/Remarks.....**Pastor Troy Levy**  
Opening Song.....[#86 - *How Great Thou Art*].....Congregation  
First Scripture Reading[*Psalm 91*].....Beverly Bello [*Daughter*]  
Poem Reading.....Diasjon Robinson [*Son*]  
Prayer.....Glenroy Martin  
Second Scripture Reading..[*Revelation 21: 1-8*]..Winston Page [*Son*]  
Song.....[#530 - *It Is Well With My Soul*]..... Congregation  
Biography.....Loleta Samuel [*Sister*]  
Song.....[#633 - *When We All Get To Heaven*]..... Congregation  
Tributes/Reflections.....Friends & Well Wishers  
Special Tribute.....Shennet Josiah [*Niece*]  
Musical Selection.....[*His Eye is on the Sparrow*]  
SERMONETTE.....Pastor Troy Levy  
Choral Reading.....[*Psalm 23*].....Congregation  
Benediction.....Pastor Troy Levy  
Recessional

## **Interment**

*Wednesday, September 10, 2014*  
Bayview Cemetery  
Jersey City, New Jersey

### **PALL BEARERS**

Lawson Brown	Diasjon Robinson
Dwayne Josiah	Lucan Robinson
Winston Page	Ronald Sackey

## WHEN TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME

When 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.

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see,  
If the sun should rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me;

I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,  
while thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.

I know how much you care for me, and how much I care for you,  
and each time that you think of me I know you'll miss me too;

But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,  
that an angel came and called my name and took me by the hand,

and said my place was ready in heaven far above,  
and that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.

But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye,  
for all life, I'd always thought I didn't want to die.

I had so much to live for and so much yet to do.

it seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you.

I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had.

If I could relive yesterday, I thought, just for a while,  
I'd say goodbye and hug you and maybe see you smile.

But then I fully realised that this could never be,  
for emptiness and memories would take the place of me.

And when I thought of worldly things that I'd miss come tomorrow.

I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow.

But when I walked through Heaven's gates, I felt so much at home.

When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne,

He said, "This is eternity and all I've promised you,

Today your life on earth is past but here it's starts anew.

I promise no tomorrow, but today will always last.

and since each day's the same, there's no longing for the past.

But you have been so faithful, so trusting, so true.

Though there were times you did some things you knew you shouldn't do.

And you have been forgiven and now at last you're free.

So won't you come and take my hand and share my life with me?"

So when 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.

## Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Winston Avan Smithen**

Wishes to express their sincere thanks to all who offered  
support and prayers during this time of their bereavement

**MAY GOD BLESS YOU!**

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