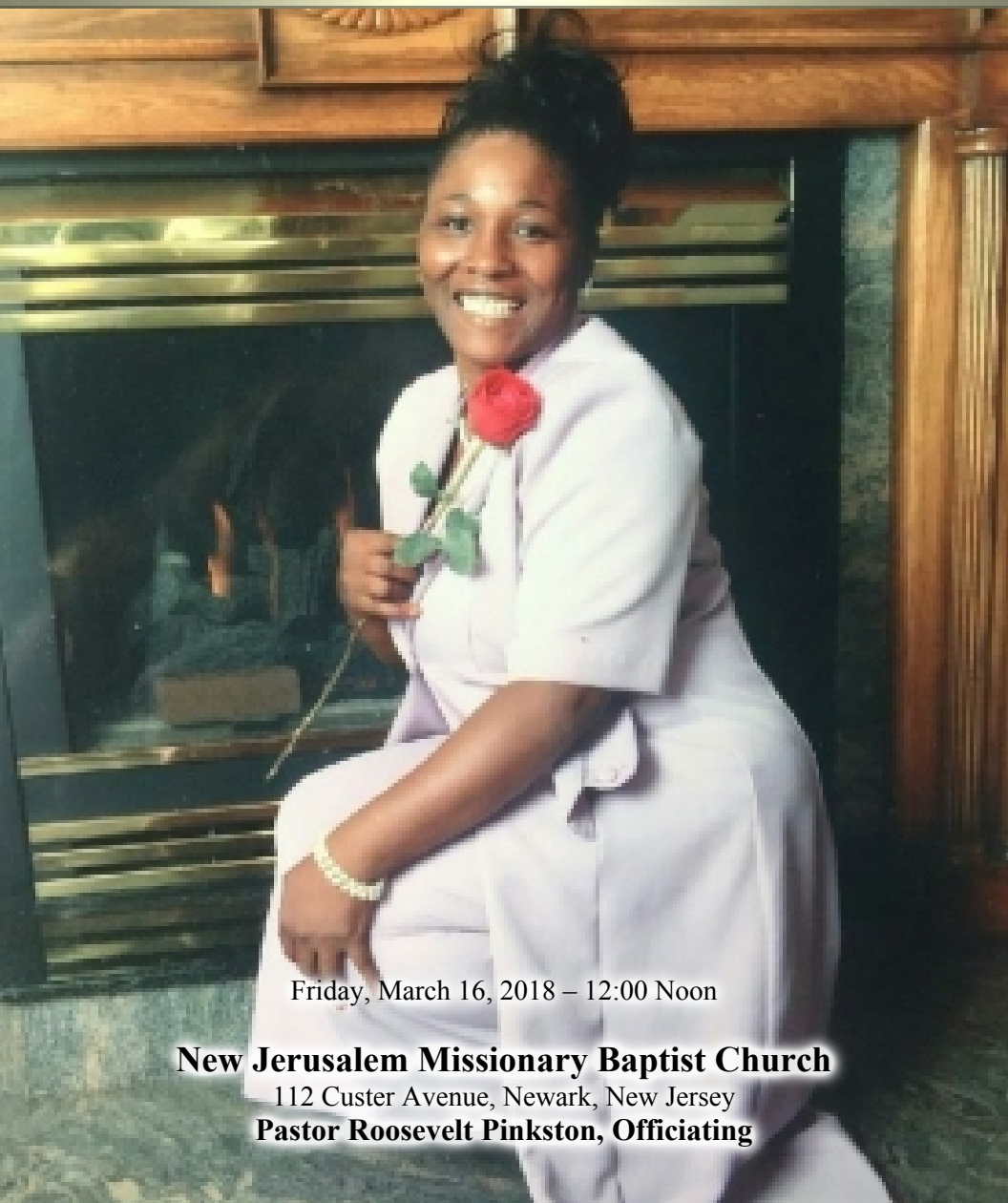


Homegoing Services for *Yolanda Bonita Maria DeSmith*

Sunrise: June 11, 1971 - Sunset: March 8, 2018



Friday, March 16, 2018 – 12:00 Noon

New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church
112 Custer Avenue, Newark, New Jersey
Pastor Roosevelt Pinkston, Officiating

Obituary

Yolanda Bonita Maria DeSmith was born on June 11, 1971 to Dorothy Ann Pinkston and the late Robert Lee DeSmith.

Yolanda grew up in Newark New Jersey and later moved to the Bronx New York where she met a special friend. Yolanda was educated in the Newark Public School system after high school Yolanda worked a short time as a security guard and later became a self employed hair stylist.

Yolanda was a devoted and loving mother to her children and an amazing aunt to all her nieces and nephews and spoiled them rotten. Yolanda was well known as yogi and was over-protected of her sisters and brother and especially her mother. To know Yolanda was a pleasure she was very outspoken, loving and caring with an outgoing personality. Yolanda was a fun person to be around she enjoyed having fun and making jokes and would hike on anyone or anything to make you laugh. Yolanda had an unconditional love for her family and friends and would protect them all. Yolanda was a hero sister if you messed with her or her siblings and friends you would get the beat down.

On Thursday, March 8, 2018 at Lincoln Hospital God dispatched an angel and ordered Yolanda DeSmith to be relieved of her suffering.

She was preceded in death by her two sons, Shaquan and Kaseem DeSmith, her daughter, Vernita Caine Desmith, her sister, Beatrice DeSmith her uncle Lewis JR Pinkston, her grandparents, Rosa bell and Rev. Lewis Pinkston.

Yolanda leaves to cherish her memory: her son, Quamean Stephens; her grandson, Quamar Bell; her mother, Dorothy Pinkston; her step dad, Ronald Dunston; her god mother, Linda Williams; her brother, Patrice DeSmith; two god brothers, Roger Williams and Tyrone Ousley; sisters, ViViwong, Taquanya, Damika DeSmith; her god sister, Monique Williams; her uncles, Rev. Dr Roosevelt (Stephanie) Pinkston, WC (Lori) Pinkston, aunt Annie Smith; her nieces, Aquilia, Indira, Tahzaney DeSmith, Nicky Bey; Nephews, Dante, Dayshawn, Antoine, Shaquan, Jaden DeSmith, Stephon Frierson; a special friend, James Moore; and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.



Order of Service

ProcessionalClergy& Family

Opening Hymn.....“Pass Me Not”

Scripture Readings

Old TestamentTyrone Ousley

New Testament Stephanie Pinkston

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Dr. Wanda D. Wilburn

Selection

Poem..... by Tahzaney DeSmith

Expressions (*Two minutes limit, please*)..... Family and Friends

Acknowledgements, Resolution & Obituary.....Regina Pierson

Solo

Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Pinkston

Recessional

INTERMENT
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

*Friends are invited to join the family for the repast at
the New Jerusalem Missionary Baptism Church
immediately following the interment.*



Hero

Sometimes I wonder how my strength keeps moving although my tears of time keep dropping slowly. Sometimes I feel like a note that hasn't been held for so long where is my song where is my melody is it out of tune? Can I write a note will my music reach the universe souls? As I weep through this soul of mines the air I feel allows me to hear a lullaby of the greatness of my tone of voice. God can you hear my merry voice as I sweep down by the rivers I raise up and down finally I am caught I have been set free my pain has been removed. Mommy and family you don't have to worry about me you see my last smile you saw still continues I am laughing and having a ball up in heaven with all my children and my big sister. This fight I fought has ended. I am sorry mommy I didn't want to hurt you but god needed me more that hero that I was still continues up in heaven. I am free to be strong in my privacy Look at me know I am at peace.

By ViViwong DeSmith

Acknowledgement

The family of **Yolanda Bonita Maria DeSmith** wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for thoughtfulness and concern.

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