

*Celebration  
Of Life  
for*



*Alzata Smith*

Sunrise: March 28, 1927

Sunset: March 7, 2018

Saturday, March 17, 2018 – 4:00 PM

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street, Newark, New Jersey

**Minister Arthur L. Garrett III & Minister Jason T. Garrett, Officiating**

## *Obituary*

On Wednesday, March 7, 2018, our beloved **Alzata Smith** was called home.

Alzata was born on March 28, 1927, to the late Barney and Lottie Moore in Norfolk, Virginia.

As an infant, Alzata and her family relocated to Cliffwood, New Jersey. She attended Old Bridge Elementary (one room schoolhouse) and Matawan Regional High School.

At an early age, Alzata, became a member of Mount Moriah Baptist Church in Cliffwood, NJ. As an adult she taught Sunday School. She served on the Usher Board and the Pastor Aide Committee.

Alzata worked at Keyport Cleaners as a presser for many years. While in Cliffwood, Alzata was very active in the community. She started an all-Black girl scout troop for her daughters and the other girls in the community. Alzata was also active in the League of Women's Voters, PTA, and bowling leagues. She loved to read and do puzzles.

Alzata married the late Arthur Garrett in 1944, from this union, four children were born. Then, Alzata wed the late Bill Donaldson, from this union, one child was born. Later, Alzata wed the late Edward Smith, from this union, the last child was born.

Later in life, Alzata moved to Newark, NJ. She continued her involvement in the community with New Hope Baptist Church and with her career in the dry cleaning. During this time, Alzata obtained her High School degree.

Alzata leaves to cherish her memory, her sister Lottie M. Wright Cliffwood, NJ; her six children, Arthur Garrett Jr. (Laverne) Hillside, NJ; Elaine Spencer (Mathew) Irvington, NJ; Joyce Smith Baltimore, MD; Danny Garrett (Joycie) Newark, NJ; Julia Donaldson Baltimore, MD; Edward Smith (Michelle) Hillside, NJ. She had thirteen grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren and a host of beloved nieces, nephews and cousins.

Alzata was preceded in death, by her mother and father, one brother Barney Moore (Beatrice) and one son in law, William Smith Baltimore, MD.

# Order of Service

Processional

Selection ..... Kia Armour

Scripture Reading

Old Testament ..... Cymand Garrett

New Testament ..... Alzata Spencer

Prayer ..... Minister Arthur L. Garrett III

Selection ..... Larry Johnson

Obituary Reading ..... Dwight Smith

Remarks by family ..... Arthur L. Garrett Jr

Latisha Garrett

Shavonne Louissant

Selection ..... Crystal Mills

Eulogy ..... Minister Jason Garrett

Minister Arthur L. Garrett III

Recessional



# *This Old World*

*This old world  
I'll see no more*

*Pain and suffering for me  
Is out the door*

*Oh, what a journey this will be  
Knowing my Father in heaven  
Is walking with me*

*Don't be afraid  
I'll be alright  
I'm cradled in Jesus' arms  
He's holding me tight*

*I needed this rest  
Only God knows best  
For those I've left behind  
Don't worry, I'm fine.  
Victory is mine.*

*Author Unknown*



## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late **Alzata Smith** appreciates the kindness shown during our time of bereavement. We appreciate the prayers, flowers, calls, texts, visits and all other acts of kindness.

### **Special Thanks**

To all the neighbors in Irvington, NJ who looked out for our Mother as she walked throughout the neighborhood.

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