# In Loving Memory of Aron L. Smith

Sunrise December 25, 1932

Sunset January 10, 2020

<u>Service</u> Saturday, January 18, 2020 • 12:00 noon

#### **SOLID ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH** 644 Chancellor Avenue • Irvington, New Jersey

### <u>Obituary</u>

Aron Linwood Smith passed away peacefully Friday, January 10, 2020 in his Irvington, NJ home. "Smitty," as he was affectionately known, was born the second of five children in Burgaw North Carolina to parents, Luther T. and Florence (Woodruff) Smith on December 25, 1932. The family relocated to Norfolk Virginia where he graduated from Booker T Washington High School and then enlisted in the US Air Force. He rose to the rank of Airman Third Class. After completing his service, he moved to Newark, New Jersey where he proved to be a jack of all trades, working as a painter, carpenter, and later becoming an independent contractor. After meeting his wife, Ila Smith, and putting down roots in Irvington, New Jersey with his wife their two children, he enjoyed fishing, playing cards, and spending time with his friends and family.

Aron was proceeded in death by his parents, Luther and Florence Smith; brothers, Raymond, Luther, and Roland Smith; sister, Eleanor Cannon, daughters Marilyn Elizabeth Smith-Bailey and Patricia Denise Smith. He is survived by wife, Ila Smith; daughter Robin Smith; son Aron Smith; granddaughters Latoshia Desir and Andrea Mays; grandsons, Kwail Smith, Miles Smith, and Micah Bailey; eighth great-granddaughters; one great-grandson, a host of nieces and nephews and his faithful brother-in-law, Cleveland "Maurice" Cannon of Norfolk Virginia.

<u>Order of Service</u>

#### **Musical Selection**

#### **Scripture Reading**

MiShuan Stevenson Old Testament New Testament

#### Poem

Gwendolyn Wiggins Latoshia Desir

#### **Musical Selection**

#### Eulogy

**Reginald Pitts** 

#### Recessional

#### **INTERMENT**

Brigadier General William C. Doyle Memorial Cemetery Wrightstown, New Jersey

#### **REPAST**

Immediately following in the Fellowship Hall

## I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. *Lift up your heart and share with me,* God wanted me now, He set me free!

#### Acknowledgement

The family of Aron L. Smith 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 your thoughtfulness and concern.

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