

Celebrating the Life of



Mickel Louis Smith
"Apple Sauce"

Sunrise
June 5, 1956

Sunset
December 5, 2020

Monday, December 21, 2020 - 10 am

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Jeffrey Crenshaw, Officiating

Obituary

Mickel Louis Smith was born on June 5, 1956 to the late Willie O. Smith Sr. and Marion H. Smith in Baltimore, Maryland. Mickel departed his life on December 5, 2020 peacefully at home from natural causes.

Mickel began his journey to New York City as a young boy, where he attended P.S. 113, P.S. 180, Waldleigh (I.S. 88) and Louis D. Brandeis High School for his studies. In 1978, Mickel began working at Arnolds Candy Store on 8th Avenue & 114th Street, where people began to love his infectious smile, kind heart and strong sense of humor. After Arnolds closed, Mickel dedicated his life to working in the security field where he spent over 20 years.

Over the years, Mickel developed many lifelong friendships but three friends turned into brothers from another Mother, Moe, Derrick, Ronald. He was known to many friends as "Mike" or "Apple Sauce". Mickel was a pure soul full of life and love. He loved to watch karate movies especially Bruce Lee Enter the Dragon. Music was a big part of his life, he loved to dance and sing. He was a loving father, uncle, brother and friend. In 2004, Mickel restored his faith in Jesus Christ and gave his life to the Lord.

Mickel leaves to cherish his six children: Tanisha Smith, Dominique Smith of Baltimore, Maryland Brittney Spann of New York City, Michelle Drake and Michael Drake of Bronx, NY, Ian Spann of New York City. One grandson, Jaden Charles-Spann. One Brother Willie O. Smith Jr. (Peggy) of Baltimore, Maryland, two sisters, Mary Alice Smith and Jacqueline Smith of New York City. Six nephews, Casper Lassiter (Niki), Willie Horne (Cor'Deija), Willie Neal, Maurice Smith (Renee), Akim Alston (Kanika), Jacquan Smith. Four nieces, Tia Neal (predeceased), Tiffany Smith, Shalette Smith, Jamika Smith. A special friend/companion Ann Spann & 2 special childhood friends Henry and Tony. A host of great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment:
Mount Rest Cemetery
Butler, NJ

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 his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah 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 savoured 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 acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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