Celebrating the Life of

Ruth V. Smith

Sunrise **September 16, 1925**

Sunset May 12, 2021

Service: Thursday, May 27, 2021 - 11:30 am

MCCALL'S BRONXWOOD FUNERAL HOME

4035 Bronxwood Avenue • Bronx, New York 10466 **Rev. Alyne Coy, Officiating** Kevin Wade, Organist

Obituary

Ruth Victoria Smith, the daughter of the late Robert T. and Cora V. Edmonds was born on September 16, 1925, the eighth child of ten, in Brunswick County, Virginia.

At an early age she joined the Meherrin Baptist Church in Virginia and was educated in the Brunswick County school system.

As a young adult, Ruth migrated to New Jersey with an older sister, before moving to New York City.

On April 28, 1945 she was united in Holy Matrimony with Henry Smith. They were married for fifty-one years, and to this union nine children were born.

In her late twenties the family moved to Brooklyn, New York where she later joined Zion Shiloh Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. John L. Pratt, Pastor.

After retiring from the NYC Board of Education, Ruth, her husband, and son, who was a Disabled Veteran, moved to the Bronx in1991. She spent many years caring for her son who was unable to live on his own.

Ruth eventually joined Community Protestant Church under the leadership of Dr. Rev. Calvin E. Owens, Pastor. She was an active member and attended church until she was unable to do so.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She was loved by all who knew her as a selfless, generous and loving person.

Ruth departed this life on May 12, 2021 at the Montefiore Hospital, Bronx, NY.

She was predeceased by her husband, two sons, and all of her siblings.

She leaves to cherish her memory: three daughters Shirley, Ann, and Denise; four sons David, Larry, Darcy (Brenda) and Darrell (Jean); fourteen grandchildren: Haszaan, Jamal, Leticia, Dana, Shavon, Khrishan, Kalif, Sha-na, Aubrey, Ebony, Ramel, Jaquan, Tatiana and Dara; nineteen great grandchildren; one great great grandchild; one sister-in-law; and a host of nieces nephews,, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

SelectionKevin Wade - "Precious Lord"
Prayer Rev. Alyne Coy
Scriptures Rev. Alyne Coy Old Testament
New Testament
Selection Kevin Wade - "One Day at a Time"
Tributes
Obituary Lanette Mays (Great Niece)
Selection Kevin Wade - "His Eyes on the Sparrow"
EulogyRev. Alyne Coy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment George Washington Memorial Park Paramus, New Jersey A limb has fallen from the family tree. I keep hearing a voice that says, "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter, the song. The good life I lived while I was strong. Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you. Keep smiling and surely the sun will shine through. My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest. Remembering all, how I truly was blessed. Continue traditions, no matter how small. Go on with your life, don't worry about falls I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin. Until the day comes we're together again.

Heknowledgments

The family of Ruth V. Smith wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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