## Celebrating the Life of



# Cheryl Craig-Smith

SUNRISE: November 15, 1950 SUNSET: June 3, 2022

Friday, June 17, 2022 - 10am

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### <u>Obituary</u>

Cheryl Craig-Smith was born in Ashland, Alabama on November 15, 1950, to Ida Mae McClain and Willie Craig. She had six siblings and is survived by five, Patricia Craig, Sondra Gittens, Regina Craig, Michael Craig and Eric Craig. She came from a close-knit family that also included three nieces, two nephews and a combination of twenty great and great great nieces and nephews who loved their "Aunt Cheryl" dearly. Cheryl loved and was loved by many; as such, she created extended families in her lifetime which included Sharon Lee, Denise Watson, goddaughter Kiesha Manning and her special and dear friend, Tracey Adams.

Cheryl grew up in the Bronx, New York where she graduated from Morris High School in the late 1960s. After high school, she spent most of her working years in the Home Health Industry where she helped those who could not help themselves. During those years she met her beloved husband, John Smith and they were married in 1988. They had a loving and beautiful marriage; unfortunately, in 1994 John passed away and she remained a widow until the Lord called her home on June 3, 2022.

As a widow, Cheryl continued to work until she retired, but she was never alone as she was always surrounded by friends and family who filled her life with joy, love and laughter.

Cheryl was blessed with a beautiful spirit and was always a source of comfort to those who needed a shoulder to cry on. She was a great listener and a great confidant. Your secrets were always safe with her. She was just a wonderful human being. Her bright eyes, loving ways and wicked sense of humor will be what we remember most. She will be sorely missed and remain in our hearts forever more.

Rest well our dearly beloved Cheryl.

# Order of Service

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#### **INTERMENT:**

St. Mary's Cemetery Yonkers, New York



### 9'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God made 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.

Task 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 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 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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