Celebrating A Wonderful Life

Ike Q. Smith

June 29, 1943 - July 26, 2018

Tuesday
July 31, 2018
12 Noon

Bell Street
Missionary Baptist Church
825 Bell Street
Nashville, TN

Reverend Darryl Short,
Officiant & Eulogist

Obituary

Ike Q. Smith was born on June 29, 1943, in Perry, Tennessee. He departed this earthly life on July 26, 2018 at the age of 74. He is preceded in death by parents, Ike Q., Sr. and Maggie Smith, and brothers, Tate and Tori Smith.

Ike was educated in the Juni County School System where he graduated from Bright High School. As a child, he attended Bright Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church and professed Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age.

After graduating high school, Ike moved to Nashville, Tennessee, to attend the Bernard Auto Diesel College. After graduating, he began his career as a mechanic. During this time, he met Berthie Collins and they were united in holy matrimony for over 50 years. Unto this union were born three children, Barbara, Bianca, and Bret.

For many years, Ike was an independent owner of Smith's Service Station on Benton Ave., making him an early Black independent service station owner in the city of Nashville, and one of only several in the entire State of Tennessee. While in this position, he came to be a pillar of the community and influenced countless lives. He later went to work for AAA Freight as a mechanic and retired after many years of service.

Ike and his wife Berthie united with Bell Street Missionary Baptist Church under the pastoral leadership of Reverend Nathan Taylor, where they have been members for over 45 years. During this time, Ike demonstrated his love for serving the Lord and his vast capacity for shouldering responsibility by holding many roles within the church, including choir member, treasurer, and Chairman of the Deacon Board.

Ike has been known throughout his life as a man who was very self-sufficient, responsible, and dependable. From his work on the family farm, and his service in the community, he provided an example and imparted his wisdom to those around him. He loved working in his yard and watching his favorite shows on TV. He spent his life surrounded by his family and friends and caring for those he loved.

Ike is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Berthie Collins Smith; sons, Ross (Barbara) Smith, Tempe, Arizona, and Bret (Nicole) Smith; daughter, Bianca Smith (Edgar) Cole, Brentwood, California; brothers, Wayman Smith, Ernest (Florence) Smith, Anderson, Tennessee, and David (Lori) Smith; sisters, Cassie (Henry) Hill and Christi Grant, Anderson, Tennessee; granddaughters, Karen, Susie and Tara Smith; grandson, Isaac Cole; brothers and sisters-in-law, John and Essie Jones, Portal, Indiana; Joseph and Sharon Collins, Wayne, Pennsylvania; devoted friend, Colin Brinks; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL	Family
OPENING HYMN	Bell Street Missionary Baptist Church Choir
OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING	Bishop R. Dorsey Rhodes, Pastor Mason Street Church of God Seventh Day
NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING	Reverend Ela Morehead, Associate Minister Bell Street Missionary Baptist Church
PRAYER	Reverend John David, Associate Minister Bell Street Missionary Baptist Church
MUSICAL SELECTION	Ms. Josephine Horton
OBITUARY	Read silently to soft music
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND RESOLUTIONS	Ms. Carol James
WORDS OF COMFORT	Reverend Bob Sanders, Pastor St. Simon A.M.E. Church Archway Hill, TN
	Reverend Paul Early, Jr., Pastor House of Praise South
MUSICAL SELECTION	Reverend Derek Smotherman, Pastor New Hope Missionary Baptist Church
EULOGY	Reverend Darryl Short, Pastor Bell Street Missionary Baptist Church
BENEDICTION	
RECESSIONAL	"When We All Get To Heaven"

The Service of Committal & Interment
Graceland Cemetery
Shelby, Tennessee

Ike Q. Smith

Cherished Moments

Acknowledgements

We wish to acknowledge with sincere gratitude the numerous expressions of concern, love and sympathy.
We have sustained a great loss and your support has helped us immensely. We shall always be grateful to each of you.

~The Family

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Deacon Board and Trustee Board

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS
Nephews and Ushers

HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS
Deaconess Board

ACTIVE FLOWER BEARERS
Nieces, Ushers and Friends

Funeral Services Entrusted to

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