

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
MR. JACK SMITH, JR.

JULY 23, 1944 - JUNE 17, 2025



SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025
2:00 P.M.

TEMPLE CHURCH OF CHRIST (HOLINESS) U.S.A.
234 ST. CHARLES STREET
HAZLEHURST, MS 39083

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LIFE REFLECTIONS

Jack Smith, Jr. was born July 23, 1944, in Hazlehurst, Mississippi to Mr. Jack, Smith Sr. and Mrs. Delois Rhodes Smith. He was the fifth of thirteen children.

Jack was a member of Greater Damascus Church of Christ (Holiness) U.S.A. during his childhood and young adult life. Later, he joined St. Peter Church of Christ Holiness U.S.A.; however, within the last years, he would worship with Greater Damascus and Temple Church of Christ (Holiness) U.S.A. He received his early education from Damascus School, and later, graduated from Parish High School, Class of 1964.

He married the former Shirley Foster; two sons were born to this union. He and his family moved to Chicago, IL, where he resided for many years, before returning to his hometown of Hazlehurst. After relocating to Hazlehurst, he worked for many years in the garment industries.

Jack was a friendly, loving, lively, outgoing, and people-person. He never met a stranger. He left a lasting impression on everyone he came in contact with. He loved his family, music, people, and was loved by so many. Before he ended his conversations, he always said, "I love y'all."

On Tuesday, June 17, 2025, **Jack** transitioned from his earthly home. He will be missed dearly by his family, friends, and the community.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. Jack Smith, Sr. and Mrs. Delois Rhodes Smith; children: Jack Montez Smith, and Darryl Lechon Smith; great-grandson: Elijah Le'Chon Novelle Davenport; siblings: Eddie Taylor, Jr., Willie Charles Smith, Betty Hartfield, Brenda Smith, Richard Smith; brothers-in-law: James McGee, Lafayette Hartfield, Harold Fatheree, Eugene Richardson, John Johnson, Al Pinkston, and life-long friend Joyce Daniels.

Jack's love and legacy will be cherished in the hearts of his grandchildren Mercedes Smith Roberson, Darryl Smith, Jr., Deanthony Smith, Dionte Smith, Denzel Smith, Markieth Smith, Myeisha Smith, Nyeisha Smith, Monty Smith, and J'Nique Smith; siblings: Evelyn McGee of Chicago, IL, Mary Alice Johnson, Frank Smith, Rosie P. Fatheree, Jimmie (Larry) West, Joyce Richardson all of Hazlehurst, MS and Julia Pinkston of Jackson, MS; sisters-in-law: Dorothy Smith and Kimberly Wilson; 17 great-grandchildren, the Daniel and Tanner Family, residents of the Hazlehurst Manor Apartments, special friends: Sylvia Newell, Joel Williams, Bobby Bridges, Dennis Overton, Dave Brown, Eric Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Welton, Harold Ellis, Billy Tanner, Dwight Brown, Al Farrish, Sr. and so many he claimed as his own children and grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE



ProcessionalClergy and Family

Selection.....The Tanner Family

Scripture.....Deacon Royest Gustavis

Prayer.....Deacon Dennis Hall

~ Tributes ~

As an Individual.....Deacon James Mitchell

As a Friend.....Sylvia Newell

Acknowledgements.....Sister LaTasha Swilley Mason

Selection.....The Tanner Family

The Message.....Elder Nicholas Tanner, Sr.

House of People Funeral Directors in Charge

Recessional

"We Didn't Know Time Was Running Out"

Jack, if we could click our heels together
And make just one last wish
We would wish you back here with us
We weren't prepared for this.
But, if we could make one last wish
And if it would come true
We would pray with all our heart
For a little more time with you.

Love You Always,
Your Family

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS



MEMORIES



The last few years I have had an opportunity to love on you a little more. Our rides, trips to the store, doctors' visits, or whatever you needed me to do were not a task. I love you, and I will miss you so much.

Love you,
Joyce

Jack, you were one of a kind. We love you brother, and we are going to miss you.

Jimmie, Pearl, Mary Alice, Julia, Evelyn, and Frank

I will miss our rides. Thanks for being my friend.
Will

Granddaddy,

We wish things were different. Get your rest.

Your Grandchildren

We will miss sitting on the porch with you and riding in your chair.

Birthday parties and family gatherings will never be the same.

We love you and miss you so much already.

Joyce, Monica, Kalisha, Harmoni, Tre', and King

LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that once we shared
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the master plan
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at all the things we used to do
Miss me, but let me go.

Love,

Jack

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

FRANK SMITH
FRED FATHEREE
CARLOS WEST

LARRY WEST
MARK WEST
ANTHONY RICHARDSON

EDDIE HAIRSTON
REGINALD SMITH
DAVID BROWN

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

JULIAN HUNLEY
GABRIEL PARSON
ERIC PENDLETON

MICHAEL FATHEREE
MAURICE RICHARDSON, SR.
MONTREZ RICHARDSON, SR.

FLOWER BEARERS

KALISHA REDD
GEOROXIE MARTIN
TAMEIKA REESE
MYEISHA SMITH

APRIL WEST
HARMONI WATTS
TIFFANY MILLENDER
MERCEDES S. ROBERSON

TINA TANNER
AMIYA DIXON
CHARITEI JOYNER
MONICA WATTS

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YOUR WORDS HAVE COMFORTED US, YOUR SUPPORT HAS STRENGTHENED US, AND YOUR LOVE HAS SUSTAINED US. SPECIAL THANKS TO FRESCENIUS KIDNEY CARE, MOTORCARE TRANSPORTATION, GUARDIAN CARE, AGING GRACEFULLY, AND HOMEMAKER LOIS WATSON, GREATER DAMASCUS AND TEMPLE CHURCH OF CHRIST (HOLINESS) U.S.A. AND THE HOUSE OF PEOPLES FUNERAL HOME FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE. WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST THANKS TO YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS DURING OUR LOSS. WE APPRECIATE IT MORE THAN WORDS CAN EXPRESS AND IT WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED.

THE FAMILY OF JACK SMITH, JR.



INTERMENT & REPAST

GREATER DAMASCUS CHURCH OF CHRIST (HOLINESS) U.S.A.

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HOUSE OF PEOPLES FUNERAL HOME

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