



## Ms. Danise Marie Bruce

November 5, 1951 - March 11, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our cherished mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, Danise Marie Bruce.

Born on

November 5, 1951, in Kansas City, Missouri, to Mary Rosalyn Smith and Charles Lee

Smith, Danise was a shining example of faith, creativity, and love that knew no bounds.

She graduated from Lincoln High School in 1970 and devoted her life to spreading

warmth and kindness to everyone she met. Danise spent the majority of her career in

the finance industry, where her sharp intellect and compassionate nature left a lasting

mark. At US Bank, she was beloved by customers and colleagues alike for her radiant

smile and her dedicated, caring approach.

A committed Christian, Danise played many vital roles in her church community, serving

as Youth Director, Usher, Choir Member, Board Member, and Office Administrator.

During her time at Pentecostal COGIC, she created an uplifting newsletter, “Priceless Treasures,” which resonated deeply with many.

Danise had an extraordinary talent for crafting, gardening, cooking, baking, making jewelry, and decorating. Her creative spirit was matched only by her generosity, as she often shared her talents with others. Above all, her family—her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren—were her greatest treasure. She poured her heart into her family, whether through words of wisdom, home-cooked meals, or laughter. The love and values she instilled will continue to live on in them.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Mary Rosalyn and Charles Lee Smith, Sr.;; brother, Charles Lee Smith, Jr.; sons-in-love, Lanall Fisher, Sr. and Robert Reese; grandsons, Romell Fisher and Ronzell Johnson, Jr.;; and nephew, Keith Green.

Danise leaves behind a loving family to honor her memory: Her Children: Reginald Smith, Sr. (Chanel Smith), Rosalyn Smith/Fisher, Christopher Bruce, Christina Bruce, Mary Thompson (Brian Thompson), and Leslie Allen. Grandchildren: KeRon Bruce, Reion Smith, DaRon Killingsworth, RyJae Fisher, Robert Reese, JaVon Bruce, DaVell Budgets, Christopher Bruce, Jr., Reign Smith, RaShawn Fisher, Christinae Bruce, Alexander Reese, Reginald Smith Jr., Regnald Smith, Jordan Hamilton, and Jackson Hamilton. Great-grandchildren: Khalil Bruce, Khalia Bruce, Treyvin Bruce, Carter Fisher,

Kemiyah Bruce, Rhyli Brielle Lewis, KaCen Bruce, and Harmoni Bruce. Sisters: Marjorie Green, Debra Nicholson, and Kimberly Dale. Brothers: Halim Gharmin and George Dale. A host of beloved nieces, nephews other relatives and friends who will forever hold her memory dear.

Danise was the heart and soul of her family, a beacon of love and strength. Her legacy of faith, creativity, and kindness will continue to inspire those whose lives she touched. One of her most treasured sayings, which will echo in our hearts forever, was simply, "Love you more!"

A celebration of Danise's life will be held on March 29, 2025, at her beloved church home, Trinity Temple Church of God in Christ, 11922 Food Lane, Grandview, MO 64030, where family and friends will gather to honor her beautiful spirit with a visitation beginning at 10:00am-11:00am at the church. Interment XII Gates Memorial Gardens. Rest in love and peace, Danise. You are deeply missed and forever cherished! Arrangements entrusted to Lawrence A. Jones & Sons. Condolences may be shared on our website.

# Cemetery Details

## XII Gates Memorial Gardens

9500 East Bannister Road  
Kansas City, MO 64138

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Temple COGIC  
11922 Food Lane  
Grandview, MO 64030

## Funeral Service

MAR 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Temple COGIC  
11922 Food Lane  
Grandview, MO 64030

# Tribute Wall

RS

“ Momma

*It is so hard to put what I'm feeling into words... I am beyond grateful that God so fit to lend you to us as a MOTHER.*

*You introduced us to God at a very early age and because of our faith I can keep living in this world knowing you are present with our Father in Heaven.*

*You were my ROCK, my Prayer Warrior and my confident.*

*Yes I miss you dearly but I know you're safe in his arms. I think of you often and I know you're resting. I'm missing a piece of my heart but God will comfort me.*

*I appreciate your love, support and wisdom. I am forever thankful and grateful that you instilled God's Word in us and He will comfort us.*

*I know God is pleased " Well done my good and faithful servant"*

*I love you Momma until I see you again.*

*"Love you more"*

*Rozie*

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**Rosalyn Marie Smith** - March 28, 2025 at 09:48 AM

JS

“ Danise, I am at a loss for words. I met you in 2022 and since then you have always felt like a grandmother to me. We would have long conversations all day about our lives, and you would always give me advice. When you moved job locations, we were both upset but tried to stay in contact from time to time, sometimes I wish I could have talked to you more, but now you are only a conversation away. I truly will miss you.

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**Joi Smith** - March 25, 2025 at 10:21 AM

MB

“ Mom, there are no words that can truly express how much I love and miss you. My heart aches knowing you are no longer here, but I find comfort in the beautiful memories and the incredible legacy you left behind. You were the strongest person I have ever known—resilient, loving, and unwavering in your faith. Through every challenge, you carried yourself with grace and strength, showing me what it truly means to be strong.

*I am so proud and beyond grateful to have had you as my mother. You were my rock, my safe place, and my biggest inspiration. I can only hope to carry on your strength, your kindness, and your unwavering love for family and faith.*

*Though you are gone from this world, your love will never fade. I will hold onto every lesson, every laugh, and every moment we shared. I will honor you by striving to be as strong as you were and by sharing the love and wisdom you so freely gave.*

*Mom, I love you beyond words, and I will miss you every day. But as you always said—“Love you more.”*

*Forever in my heart,  
Mary*

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**MARY BRUCE** - March 24, 2025 at 01:00 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. Danise Marie Bruce.



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March 21, 2025 at 09:11 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Danise Marie Bruce.

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March 21, 2025 at 09:11 PM



“ Danise and I have been friends for over 50 years. We shared so many memories and laughter. I will miss my dear friend. It will be difficult knowing that she will not be a phone call away!! Friends For Life!! Chestia Dial



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**George Dial** - March 21, 2025 at 09:07 AM