



Deacon Cecil A. Smith

December 29, 1939 - December 31, 2021

Obituary

Cecil A. Smith, 82, was born on December 29, 1939, in Rosedale, Kansas to Cecil L. Smith and Cora Lee (Vickers) Smith. In this union, two children were born in which one brother preceded him in death.

Cecil grew up in Kansas City, Kansas (Rosedale), attended Attucks Elementary School, and was a proud graduate of Rosedale High School Class of 1957.

Cecil met the love of his life, Sandra Marie Brown and they were united in holy matrimony on May 19, 1967. Raised within this loving union were three children: Gregory, Marc, and Margo.

Cecil was a dedicated member of Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church for more than fifty years and ordained as a Deacon under the leadership of the late Rev. Wallace S. Hartsfield Sr. He was a member of the United States Army from August 1961 - August 1963. Cecil loved his community and was a member of various organizations including American Legion, Prince Hall Mason, and Kiwanis. He was also a VFW Life Member.

Cecil was an exemplary provider for his family and a faithful steward. He would work one job on the 1st shift and head to the next for the 2nd shift. His

work ethic was unmatched as he retired from Hallmark after 30 years of service and the U.S. Post Office after 40 years of service. The most important things to Cecil, after the Lord Jesus Christ, were his family and church. After retirement, Cecil devoted his time to caring for his wife Sandy and his mother Cora Lee. He thoroughly enjoyed taking care of his family, supporting his grandchildren, traveling, dining out, watching sports, visiting friends and taking naps.

Cecil never hesitated to remind you that “I’m just a poor ole’ country boy from the end of a dirt road.” Cecil was also never ashamed to ask his friends, “Can I hold two ‘till Lou comes through?” ... and when talking about money he would say “Save Some, Spend Some.” Listening to his daily phone calls with his friends sounded like a comedy show. His phone would ring like a hotline with friends and family continuously calling to check on him. He too would call and check on everyone and, as many know, the conversations were short and always included something about the news, weather, and sports.

Cecil had a generous spirit. Whether it was sending barbecue across the country or an unexpected monetary gift to get you by. His most prized gift was offering sound advice on saving money, being responsible, loving your family, and following the commandments of the Lord.

Preceding him in death were his wife: Sandra Smith, parents; Cecil and Cora Lee Smith, brother; Cleveland Smith; one great-grandchild and one great-great-grandchild. Cecil will live on in the hearts of his beloved survivors: son, Gregory G. Smith (Wilma) of Lee’s Summit, MO; son, Marc A. Smith (Kimberly) of Canton, MI; and daughter, Margo E. Smith-Branham (Antonio) of Arlington, VA; nine grandchildren, Malissa Richardson (Todd) of Drexel, MO; Britt Brehm of Lawson, MO; Ryan Brehm (Bridget) of Kansas City, MO; Cecelia Singleton (Anthony) of Mansfield, TX; Tamisha Garcia (Andrew) of Kansas City, MO; Laura Beth Smith of Lee’s Summit, MO; Makayla Smith of

Pontiac, MI; Jayden Smith of Canton, MI; and Joshua Smith of Canton, MI; god-daughter, Knikkia Johnson of Kansas City, MO; twelve great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends.

Funeral services will be held Monday, January 10, 2022 at 11:00am Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church. Interment Forest Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10am-11am at the church. Services conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel. Condolences may be shared on our website. Services will be livestreamed: metrombc.org

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Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

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“ *Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon Cecil A.
Smith by From the Raybourn'sTina, Jennifer, Jesse. . Send
FlowersWith deepest sympathyFrom the Raybourn'sTina,
Jennifer, Jesse.*

From the Raybourn'sTina, Jennifer, Jesse. - May 25, 2023 at 12:21 PM

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“ *Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon Cecil A.
Smith by Kathie Schutte. Send FlowersLove, prayers and
condolences from the Kathie, Chris, Kellie, J, Ann, Tamisha and
Andrew Schutte Families.Kathie Schutte*

Kathie Schutte - May 25, 2023 at 12:21 PM

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“ *Sandy and family,Sorry to hear about Mr. Smith . Prayers and Love
to you and your family.*

Ida and Tara. - January 09, 2022 at 09:51 AM