



Minnie Lee Smith

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Minnie Edmonds Smith, 84, formerly of Chattanooga, was known by many names by many people who loved her most-Minnie, Baby Ray and Aunt Minnie, Ms. Minnie-but most of all her favorite was Mom and Granny. After tirelessly making the world a better place, Minnie finally rested on the evening of February 7, 2024, at her Cartersville, Georgia residence. Behind her, she leaves a unique and unmatched legacy of love, kindness and humor on everyone she touched. She was a faithful and attentive member of Prospect Baptist Church, The Avondale Association: Wheeler Avenue Neighborhood Watch, and the Chattanooga Citizen Police Academy. Minnie was born in Eutaw, Alabama on July 12, 1939 to the union of the late Willie James Edmonds, Sr. and Birtha Mae Williams. She was the third of ten children that were blessed to this union. She was baptized at an early age in Bessemer, Alabama. She was educated through the Bessemer City School System and graduated from Dunbar High School Class of 1957. She was very active in sports. After graduating, Minnie moved to Chattanooga, Tennessee to study Cosmetology. She was a highly accomplished, licensed Cosmetologist for well over fifty years. During her education, she met and married Glen Smith on June 29, 1958, to that union one daughter, Gwendolyn Denise, was born. Minnie loved our LORD Jesus Christ, her family, her flowers, and the Atlanta Falcons, her favorite football team. Minnie was preceded in death by her husband of forty years, Glen Smith; her brothers, Willie J. Jr., Phillip J. (Swannee), Willie L., Augusta L, Cornell, and David L. Those left to cherish her memories are daughter, Gwendolyn (Michael) Fletcher; stepdaughters, Phoebe Fields and Deidre Anderson; two granddaughters, Ebonee (Demingus) Copeland and Rashauna Hammonds; great-grandchildren, Tyreon Davis, Mekhi Gibson, Camren Fields, Emory Hooks, and London Copeland; sisters, Birtha (Curtis) Burston of Chattanooga, Vasti (Odis Jones) McFerrien of Birmingham, AL, and Lula (Teresa) Peterson of Bessemer, AL; sisters-in-law, Marjorie Edmonds of



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Pleasant Grove, AL and Jerilyn Edmonds of Ft. Worth, TX; five step-grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren; special friends, Rosetta Harden and Henry Dudley. Minnie will lie-in-state on Friday, February 16, 2024, from 12-5 p.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will be Saturday, February 17, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Prospect Baptist Church with Pastor Lance Dorsey as the eulogist. Burial in Lakewood Memory Gardens, East.

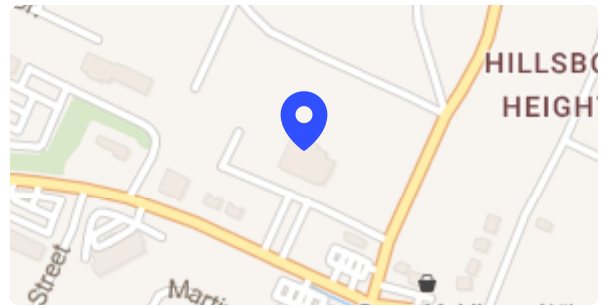


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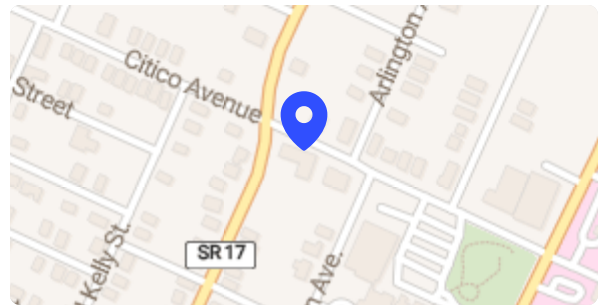
Lie-In-State

- Friday**, February 16, 2024
- 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM ET
- Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc**
3417 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga TN 37411



Service

- Saturday**, February 17, 2024
- 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM ET
- Prospect Baptist Church**
734 Dodson Avenue, Chattanooga TN 37406



Cemetery Details

- Lakewood Memory Gardens East**
4621 Shallowford Road, Chattanooga TN 37411





Tribute Wall

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Kim Jones-Mcreynolds lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 19 at 8:59 AM



Deborah Davis lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 18 at 3:49 PM



Patricia Harris posted:

you will be miss here in chatt. tenn we love you G.IG as we call you here .A real GIG cooking and talker win need i no your baby gwen will be ok and the kids the she had you to thank for life and the life of the kids so gwen keep praying god have her and you love pat

February 17 at 6:04 AM



Deborah Edmonds Jones shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

She loved family! A beautiful birthday celebration.

February 16 at 8:51 PM



Anna Butler lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

Our prayers are going up for the family..Mrs. Minnie will always be remembered she in our heart. Love the Buckner Family

February 16 at 1:42 PM



Elecia Gayle Reed posted:

From the Moore and Wheeler Ave. Family praying for comfort

February 16 at 8:29 AM



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BM

Ben & Glenda Morgan lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 16 at 4:27 AM



MT

Marva Taylor lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 16 at 12:59 AM



AW

Allene Ward lit a candle in honor of Minnie.
Deepest condolences to the family of Minnie.

February 15 at 5:49 PM



WJ

Wayne Jefferson posted:

Ms Smith was in the CPAAA when I was over it. Always had that smile and didn't mind putting me in my place.

February 15 at 3:36 PM

SD

Stephanie Davis lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

JUST BEAUTIFUL INSIDE AND OUTMISSING MY NEIGHBOR AND THOSE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND HER WORKING IN HER YARD,,,

February 15 at 3:19 PM



DR

Doris Readus sent a virtual gift in honor of Minnie.

Sending Condolences To The Family Absent From The Body, Is Present With Our Father. Take Your Rest Cuzin. The Readus, Hatten, & Lumpkins Family...

February 15 at 8:38 AM





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A life well lived!

February 13 at 11:12 AM



Vanessa Mccauley Lowery sent a virtual gift in honor of Minnie.

February 13 at 8:15 AM



Vanessa Mccauley Lowery February 13 at 8:19 AM

Gwen praying God will give you strength during this time and the days to come



Alethea Bonner lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 13 at 8:13 AM



Alethea Bonner February 13 at 8:15 AM

Prayers are with The Smith Family!!!Ms. Minnie was such a sweet spirit



Sandra Madry lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 13 at 5:54 AM





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Robert Carroll lit a candle in honor of Minnie.



February 12 at 7:05 AM



Robert Carroll February 12 at 7:09 AM

Robbie & Robert Prays for the lost of a lovely lady, who will forever be missed but always loved



Lawanda Graves lit a candle in honor of Minnie.



February 12 at 7:04 AM



Ronica Ellis posted:

From Judy & Ronica Ellis Family from Detroit.We will always Love and keep you in our Hearts and Prayers.RIP

February 11 at 3:46 PM



Pam & Jared Lampley lit a candle in honor of Minnie.



February 11 at 9:01 AM



Pam & Jared Lampley posted:

My deepest sympathy in your time of need. May God continue to keep you safe in his arms. Love you always BFF! Love your God son and your BFF Pam Lampley!

February 11 at 9:00 AM



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MS

Myron Smith lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 9 at 11:46 AM



TM

Thelma Murray lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 9 at 9:47 AM



MF

Melissa Francis lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 9 at 8:11 AM



CW

Connie Williamson lit a candle in honor of Minnie.

February 9 at 4:41 AM



TM Tina Moore February 18 at 2:09 PM
Tina Moore a neighbor for several years Minnie was a friend and best beautician ever



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Minnie by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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