



## Mrs. Doris Smith

October 20, 1942 - March 28, 2013

SMITH, Mrs. Doris (Harris) - Age 70, passed away Thursday, March 28, 2013 at her residence. Family hour 11 a.m. Saturday, April 6, 2013 at St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 3020 Dupont St., with funeral service commencing at 11:30 a.m. Pastor John Thornton officiating, Min. Kevin Thompson presiding. Interment Gracelawn Community Cemetery, 5710 N. Saginaw St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 11 a.m. Saturday. Mrs. Smith will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 1-8 p.m. Friday with family present from 5-7 p.m.

Mrs. Doris "Chick" Smith was born October 20, 1942 in Flora, Mississippi to parents Clifton and Mary (Battle) Thornton. She was the fifteenth of eighteen children. She accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized at Halls Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Flora, MS.

Doris attended Rowann High School in Jackson, MS. She married Charlie Smith in 1961 and relocated to Las Vegas, NV. In 1967, Doris and her family relocated to Detroit, MI, where she became a member of Greater New Hope Missionary Baptist Church. In 1972, Doris relocated to Flint, MI.

After relocating to Flint, MI, Doris united with the St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, where she faithfully served until God called Doris to her resting place

on March 28, 2013. While at St. Mark, Doris sang in the Choir, participated in Sunday school and served on the Mother's Board and previously served as custodian. Doris was employed by Lucas Body Systems, retiring in 1999. Doris enjoyed baking and loved her family dearly.

She leaves to cherish her memories: son, Ernie Smith; daughter, Deborah Smith; grandchildren, Elesha (Montrell) Owens and Deidre (Julius) Thomas; great-grandchildren, Ka-Nari Ross, Eleciya Owens, Andrew Owens, Almier Owens and Julion Thomas; six sisters, Esther Perry, Reecy Outland, Georgia Thompson, Pearl (Johnny) Berry, Dorothy Thompson and Mary Beasley; two brothers, John (Edra) Thornton and Shedrick (Denise) Thornton; sister-in-law, Lillie Thornton; brother-in-law, Robert Smith; godson, Linsey Mason; special friend, Gerline Ferguson; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Robert and Charlie Jr.; two sisters and eight brothers.

The family expresses sincere appreciation to the St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church family and nurse Mary Nelson.

# Cemetery Details

## Gracelawn Cemetery

5710 N. Saginaw St.  
Flint, MI 48505

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

APR 5. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Inc., Flint  
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 789-6666  
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com  
<https://lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

## Family hour

APR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church  
3020 Dupont Street  
Flint, MI 48504

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Doris Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To Debra and Family: I am deeply saddened by the passing of your Loved One. May God give you Peace and Comfort your hearts during this time. My Prayers are with you.*



**Carol Andrews** - April 06, 2013 at 09:28 AM



“ *Beatrice Bardoni lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



**beatrice bardoni** - April 05, 2013 at 11:36 AM



“ *Debra Miller lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



**Debra Miller** - April 04, 2013 at 11:31 AM

NJ

“ To Debra and Ernie, I cannot express the sadden that was felt when I heard of your mother passing. May God give you peace and comfort.



Norma Jones - April 04, 2013 at 11:31 AM

TG

“ Tracey Gay lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Tracey Gay - April 04, 2013 at 07:23 AM

Albert Strickland

“ Albert Strickland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Albert Strickland - April 04, 2013 at 12:04 AM

Albert Stricklan

WONDERFUL LADY AUNT CHICK I'M GONE MISS THOSE CAKES YOU MADE THAT I HAD TO EAT, WELL YOU KNOW HOW THE BEST WAY I ATE YOUR CAKES..... LOVE YOU SO MUCH GOD KNOWS BEST, I'LL BE LOOKING FOR YOU WHEN I GET TO HEAVEN

Albert Strickland - April 04, 2013 at 12:06 AM

CG

“ Carolyn Gist lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Carolyn Gist - April 03, 2013 at 08:46 PM

BA

“ Aunt Chick, I will never forget when we lived together from 1999 to 2002. We had some good times together. I want Ernie, Debbie, Elisha and Dee-Dee to know that they were truly loved by you. We are family and will here for you guys. The hurt and pain will get better. Hold on the Lord will see you through.

barb - April 03, 2013 at 12:22 PM

EF

“ Ellis & Carrie Adams Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Ellis & Carrie Adams Family - April 03, 2013 at 09:39 AM

VS

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Vivian Simpson - April 02, 2013 at 04:25 PM

VS

*Miz. Chick, Thank you for all of the good times we had together. You were such a good story teller, that I listened to the same ones a lot of times, lol. Miz. Chick thanks for teaching me and loving me. I will miss you so much. You were so concerned about us when Mom died please rest in peace that we will be okay. Love, Love, Love.*

Vivian Simpson - April 03, 2013 at 09:35 AM

KT

“ Keith & Sherrill Thornton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Keith & Sherrill Thornton - April 02, 2013 at 11:34 AM



“ A Jeffrey LaValley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



A Jeffrey LaValley - April 02, 2013 at 10:54 AM

MW

“ Myra Borden And Tiffany Witherspoon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Myra Borden and Tiffany Witherspoon - April 02, 2013 at 07:46 AM

SF

“ *Sharena Roland & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



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**Sharena Roland & Family** - April 01, 2013 at 10:38 PM

TM

“ *I had the wonderful pleasure of knowing Mama Doris as we called her at Lucas for 10 years where we all worked she was such a gem she didnt take no mess from none of us lucas employees she kept us all in line and always had a word of encouragement for who ever crossed her path. She will be greatly missed i just had so much love for her cause we were all a family at lucas so much fun so many memories and photos god bless you family a beautiful angel called home.*

*Be BleTEREssed love always Teresa Dumas-Mosley*

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**Teresa Dumas Mosley** - April 01, 2013 at 06:33 PM

AW

“ *Aurbrey Wade lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



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**Aurbrey Wade** - April 01, 2013 at 05:14 PM

WM

“ Wanda Gale MCIntyre lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Wanda Gale MCIntyre - April 01, 2013 at 04:13 PM

AB

“ Ariane & Areon Banks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Ariane & Areon Banks - April 01, 2013 at 04:02 PM

AA

“ Amelda & Ayannah Artis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Amelda & Ayannah Artis - April 01, 2013 at 04:01 PM

LG

“ Leroy And Cleola Griffis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



Leroy and Cleola Griffis - April 01, 2013 at 01:02 PM

DS

“ Aunt Chick I remember that you were one of the best people around. I used to love it when you came down to visit because when you and granny used to talk you used to always have a story and me, chelle and dee dee used to hole up in the back room and laugh at the things you and granny used to talk about. For the most part it was us telling each other to go out before we all decided to brave the storm together. I also remember that granny used to love seeing you and that you guys always went somewhere when you came down. I remember coming to flint that time to visit Elesha that one time and I remember you making me feel so at home, with the curfew, the chewing outs, and all things that makes a parent a parent. I also remember the food, it seemed as if I was always eating, but I didn't mind because I love to eat. It was a great experience to have you as a inspirational and joyful part of my. life and I'll cherish the memories forever. I love you always... goodbye Aunty.

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**Delores Simmons** - March 31, 2013 at 04:40 PM

CN

“ Camiya Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



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**Camiya Nicholson** - March 31, 2013 at 02:30 PM

JG

“ Jeff & Angie George lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



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**Jeff & Angie George** - March 30, 2013 at 10:08 AM

VT

“ *Virginia Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



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**Virginia Thomas** - March 29, 2013 at 10:26 PM

VT

*I am glad that she has had such a good relationship with my son. That makes me very proud. Also that means that now she is the Guardian Angel of my only grand child. I thank God for that.... The Lord is my Shepherd and I shall not want..... Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the lord forever.... Psalms 23.....*

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**Virginia Thomas** - March 29, 2013 at 10:32 PM

JT

“ *It is always tough when you lose a loved one especially one that has impacted my life like Granny Doris Smith or Chick as they called her. My wife has learned a lot from you things that she will share with or son who is named Julion Dorian Thomas we chose Dorian in honor of you Doris Smith. I know the loss that the family has experience is a grave one because for as long as I have know granny she was a true warrior of the lord and she would let you know in an instant minute. Her love and her blunt since of humor will be missed but, I know that her family will take away the memories that were shared throughout their lives because they were truly touched by a angel that GOD created for everyone to meet.*



*Julius and Deidre Thomas*

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**Julius Thomas and Deidre Thomas** - March 29, 2013 at 04:37 PM

VT

*What a beautiful tribute to her. I am sure she is smiling down from heaven right now.....beautiful just beautiful*

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**Virginia Thomas** - March 29, 2013 at 10:36 PM

MS

“ *Auntie you were truly loved and will be missed by the family.. I remember all those days when we were younger and you and my granny use to be on me, Debra, and Michelle's heads because we were always into something as you and my granny would always say.... You are yet another fallen angel taken away from us at an unexpected time in our lives and yet too soon to have lost another loved one..... Rest in painless glory and happiness, until we meet again in the unknown depths of our own bliss*

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**Maelita Simmons** - March 29, 2013 at 01:54 PM

TS

“ *Aunt Chick you will be missed. I love you. Tresa*

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**Tresa Simmons** - March 29, 2013 at 01:30 PM

VC

“ *DEE DEE and Julius I know you loved her but God loved her more. Remember "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." She will always be with you, Julius and definitely with the first breath of the life you are about to bring into the world. She will always be alive in you Deidre you look so much like her.*

*May God Bless you and Hold on to him .....both of you. He is a good God and Deidre know this that you will see her again real soon.*

*Love you three  
Virginia*

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**Virginia & Charles Cummings** - March 29, 2013 at 10:45 AM

LI

“ Dear Smith Family and Friends,  
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. I too have lost several loved ones in death, and the pain is fresh even with the passage of time. I have found relief in knowing that "The Most High God" is the "Hearer of Prayer", and a source of tremendous comfort in times of grief and distress.(Psalms83:18,Psalms65:2) Please be assured, death will soon be "swallowed up forever" and we will have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again.(Isaiah 25:8) My family and I wish you and yours peace.(Phillipians4:7)

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**Lisa** - March 29, 2013 at 09:58 AM

MP

“ Mr & Mrs. Erwin & Carmen Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



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**Mr & Mrs. Erwin & Carmen Patterson** - March 29, 2013 at 05:50 AM

VC

“ Virginia Cummings sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith



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**Virginia Cummings** - March 28, 2013 at 06:16 PM

AL

“ *Angela Lansdown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



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**Angela Lansdown** - March 28, 2013 at 03:26 PM

VC

“ *Virginia And Charles Cummings lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Doris Smith*



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**Virginia and Charles Cummings** - March 28, 2013 at 02:32 PM

VC

“ *Oh my God this is truly unbelievable. Deidre you know I love you as if you were my daughter. Even more so since you are my daughter in law. I am so sorry for you loss and you know that I am just a phone call away. Remember that God does not make any mistakes and that your Grandmother is in a better place. I will tell you what was told to me when my mom went home to be with the Lord,...."She would not come back here if she could." De-De and Julius take comfort in knowing that she is at peace. She has her wings and when she does not feel like flying, she can walk around Heaven all day.....Love you guys very much.....Just continue to Hold to Gods Unchanging Hand and know that he is shifting the atmosphere.*

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**Virginia and Charles Cummings** - March 28, 2013 at 02:29 PM

MB

*Dear Auntie Chick, Thank you for being there for me. you will truly be miss but never forgotten. chick-a-doo i truly love you. oh i forgot i told you that when you were here with us.*

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**Marie Borden** - April 01, 2013 at 06:09 PM