



## Mother Mary Smith

May 14, 1944 - August 21, 2025

SMITH, Mother Mary - Age 81, passed away Thursday, August 21, 2025 at Wellbridge of Grand Blanc. Family hour 10:00 AM Friday, September 5, 2025, from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM, Bishop Robert Underwood, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the chapel Friday at 10:00 AM. Mother Smith will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Thursday. Mother Mary Lee Smith was born May 14, 1944, in Rossville Tennessee, the daughter of Sam & Susie B. (Wallace) Johnson. She was a resident of Flushing Michigan. Mother Smith enjoyed as her Mother did, taking the family to Church. When she resided in Tennessee, she did secretary service at Calvary Life and Praise Church. She moved to Flint and sang in the Choir at Living Word Ministries and served on the Usher Board at Break Through Ministries of Jesus Christ and became their 1st Mother of Church. Mother Smith received her High School Diploma in Rossville, Tennessee. She was employed at General Motors Corporation's Van Slyke Division where she Retired. Mother enjoyed being with family, going to church, singing, praying, and outings. Mother Mary Lee Smith leaves to cherish her memory: 2 daughters, Katherine Smith of Michigan and Angela Smith of Tennessee; grandchildren, Jauan Smith, Johnson Kennedy IV, Shaquille Kennedy, Kawan & TaShaunda Horton, Katrice Horton, all of Michigan, Quanjanika & Gregory Turner, Dequandre Gentry, Dequantae Bell,

and Jacob Turner, all of Indiana, Christian I. Smith, Kaleb D. Smith, and Sydeni A. Hamlet of Tennessee; great-grandchildren, Ashan'sti Palmer, Ciceley Kennedy, Kamar'Riona Bailey, Jacobi Latrell Smith, Jauan Smith, Jr. , Kawan Horton Jr. (K.J.), Airrieana El-Amin, Kayaere Doan, Malachi Doan, Johnson Kennedy V, A Mari Kennedy, Skylar Knight, and Aries Kennedy; great-great-grandchild, Yulina Brown; brothers, Earnest Johnson of Michigan and Ezell Johnson of Tennessee; sisters, Lula Bell Lindsey of Tennessee, Hattie Johnson and Nina Johnson, both of Michigan; over 40 nieces and over 40 nephews, all throughout the States Michigan, Tennessee, Missouri, Milwaukee, Florida, and Indiana; over 12 uncles; numerous cousins; god-son Elliott Millington; god-daughters, Wanda Branch, Monique Holden, both of Michigan, Sandra Roland of North Carolina, Dana Skinner of Michigan Raylanda Hudson of Arkansas, Sharonda Mackey, Taneka Walton; mother and father-in-law, William Charles and Susie Mae Smith; grandmother, Sally Quinn; sisters-in-law, Betty (Issac) Smith of Ohio, Dorthy Portwood of Milwaukee, WI, Carolyn (Floyd) Higgs, Ray (Harley) Higgs, and Shirley Barbee of Missouri; a host of other relatives and friends including special friends, Kelly Henderson, Mary Neighbor, Cousin Jeannie, Annie Holden, Rosetta Spencer, Mother Smith was preceded in death by her, husband James A. Smith; daughter, Linda Smith; Granddaughter Lakeda Smith; parents, Samuel & Susie B. Johnson; brothers, Andre Johnson, Sammie Johnson, and Terry Johnson; sisters, Betty Marshall and Laverne Wright; Sister Susie Morton; sisters and brothers-law, Pete Barbee , Free Lee (Bula) Smith, Don Smith, Larry Smith, Reuben Smith Billy Smith, Floree Hill Loretta Reed, William C. Texas Smith, Sammie Lee Smith and Cleothes Smith. The Family Would like to Express Special Thanks to: Break Through Ministries of Jesus Christ, Bishop Robert E. Underwood & Ministry, Family Worship Center Church International, Pastor Tanya & Timothy Stokes & Ministry, Refuge Temple Church of Flint, Pastor Matthew & Lady Jackie Jackson, House of Capernaum Deliverance Ministries, Pastor Leslie & Latrice Lee, McLaren-Flint, Wellbridge of Grand Blanc, Christian Book Club, Lawrence E. Moone

Funeral Home & Staff, And All that said prayers, kind words of encouragement, phone call, acts of Love.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.  
Flint, MI 48504

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

SEP 4. 12:00 PM - 6:00 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

SEP 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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SEP 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mother Mary Smith*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - September 05, 2025 at 08:39 AM

LW

*Rest on Aunt May.*

LaTonia Webber - September 05, 2025 at 04:38 PM

LW

“ *LaTonia Webber lit a candle in memory of Mary Smith*



LaTonia Webber - September 05, 2025 at 10:36 AM

RH

“ *Sending love, hugs, condolences and prayers to you all! I thank God for the opportunity to have met Mother Smith! Her words of love, wisdom and sometimes correction has meant a lot to me and I have held them in my heart. Never forgotten!*



Ruth Harrison - September 05, 2025 at 06:19 AM

DS

“ Moma was all i new her as for she was a mother to me. Believe it or not i never ever really knew her name because moma was all i called her. She was always there for me. **WHENEVER!! i NEEDED HER THE MOST!!!** For she was my sunshine . Which was the last song i sang to her before her home going!! love you and miss you mom!! 4ever your daughter. Danna

**DANNA SKINNER** - September 04, 2025 at 07:56 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mother Mary Smith.



September 04, 2025 at 12:05 PM

LG

“ Mother Smith was a fun and loving woman, I enjoyed being around awaiting her words of wisdom or laughter. She will be sincerely missed. My prayers and condolences to the family for your strength and peace at this time.



**Lashon Greene** - September 04, 2025 at 09:28 AM

BU

“ I will always love you ❤️🙏 Mother Smith thank you for everything the talks and standing beside me so years we will always remember you but we understand God knows best and now you can rest in your heavenly place as your pastor and friend love always Bishop Underwood 🌸🏛️ gone but never forgotten

**Bishop Robert E Underwood** - September 04, 2025 at 09:28 AM

RS

“ *Rosetta Spencer lit a candle in memory of Mother Mary Smith*



Rosetta Spencer - August 26, 2025 at 07:08 PM

SC

“ S.S.



Simone Cook - August 26, 2025 at 01:02 PM

VJ

“ *Praying God will strengthen and comfort your hearts in Christ Jesus.*



Valerie Jackson - August 25, 2025 at 10:33 PM

JE

“ *Jeannie lit a candle in memory of Mother Mary Smith*



Jeannie - August 23, 2025 at 02:19 PM

CR

“ Catherine Roberts lit a candle in memory of Mother Mary Smith



Catherine Roberts - August 22, 2025 at 09:55 PM

RO

*I will miss the phone calls, the visits, most of all your presence. We grew up in the same town went to the same schools, knew one another family, because we are family. My prayers are with the Johnson/ Smith family.*

Rosetta - August 26, 2025 at 07:02 PM

MP

“ Sending prayers to the family. Keeping you all in my prayers



Marie Porter - August 22, 2025 at 06:34 AM

TJ

“ Tanya Jefferson lit a candle in memory of Mary Smith



Tanya Jefferson - August 21, 2025 at 10:01 PM