



Bishop Ray Odell Smith

September 9, 1959 - February 15, 2015

SMITH, Bishop Ray Odell - age 55, passed away Sunday, February 15, 2015. Family hour 1:30 p.m. Saturday, February 28, 2015 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. with funeral service commencing at 2 p.m. Bishop Joshua Ward officiating. Interment Lovedale Cemetery, 5175 E Bristol Rd, Burton, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Bishop Smith will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home and may be viewed from 12 p.m.-8 p.m. Friday.

Bishop Ray Odell Smith was born on September 9, 1959 in Saginaw, MI. to parents Ray Smith and Mary Lee Haynes. He was raised by Pearlina (Watkins) Smith in Flint, MI., where he continued to reside for 55 years. He graduated from Flint Central high school in 1977. He also attended Mott Community College and Detroit College of Business. Bishop Odell confessed his faith in Jesus Christ at an early age. It was at the tender age of 7 years old that Bishop Mossley ordained Ray (Tuffy) as an Alter Server. He served as the Pastor of St. Jude Christian Temple of Life. In August of 2014 Pastor Ray O. Smith was appointed to the office of Bishop. He faithfully served under Archbishop J.J. Ward. Bishop Ray O. Smith owned and operated Rosebud Candle store for over 30 years. He mastered entrepreneurship, in view of the fact that he understood the most fundamental concept of economics: Supply and Demand.

He loved life and his wife “Kim”, whom he married January 4, 2013. Together they embraced the joy of traveling, concerts, and cooking. Bishop Ray O. Smith was always impressing people with kindness. He was one of the most loving, giving, and kindhearted individuals one would ever hope to meet.

Bishop Ray O. Smith leaves to cherish his memory: loving wife Kimberly Smith; daughter, Raechelle Smith; sons, Raymond and Ramon’e Smith; step-children, Emberly McFadden, Kayona McFadden and Odie McFadden; grandchild, Rayonna Smith; sisters, Rosetta (Todd) Smith and Vonnie Williams; sisters-in-law, Geraldine (Joe B.) Osbourne, Barbara Beard, Pauline (Ray) Allen, Winona Beard; brothers-in-law, Gregory Beard, Stanley (Alyse) Beard, Venias Beard; along with a host of other relatives and friends. Including special friends: Brother James Boyd, Billy Moore, and Big “Sis” Vickie.

He was preceded in death by: parents, Ray Smith, Mary Lee Haynes, and Pearline (Watkins) Smith; brother, Arlee Williams; and step-son, Johnnie McFadden Jr.

The family would like to express special thanks to Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, Arlington Funeral Home in New York, Archbishop J.J. Ward, Archbishop Stokes and Superintendent Lamarr Griggs.

Cemetery Details

Lovedale Memorial Cemetery

G-5175 E. Bristol Rd.
Burton, MI

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 27. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
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Family hour

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Service

FEB **28**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bishop Ray Odell Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Kayona lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith*



Kayona - April 06, 2016 at 06:57 AM



“ *I Love an miss you so much step dad continue to watch over the family love you soooooooooooooo much*

Kayona - April 06, 2016 at 06:52 AM



“ *Olivia Berry-turner lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith*



Olivia berry-turner - March 08, 2015 at 06:48 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about ray-o passing,tell forestkevin hello,u two r together again. ..Olivia*

Olivia Berry - March 08, 2015 at 06:46 PM



“ *Angela Colbert Williams lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith*



Angela Colbert Williams - March 03, 2015 at 02:26 PM



“ *Prayers of peace to my cousins Raechelle and Raymond I love you guys....Rest peacefully uncle Ray*



toy - February 28, 2015 at 03:00 PM



“ *Sending my prayers out to to my niece nephew Raechelle nd Raymond so sorry for your loss luv you both*

Nay Young - February 28, 2015 at 12:24 PM



“ *Thank you Mr. Ray O. Smith for being a special person in my life. Whatever roads we may have traveled....you have ALWAYS been there for me. Rest for now in heaven..... until we meet again.*

Toni Williams - February 27, 2015 at 08:55 PM

TW

“ Toni Williams lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith



Toni Williams - February 27, 2015 at 08:40 PM

LM

“ Linda and Wayne Mayfield

Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ray O Smith
"RIP" man



Linda Mayfield - February 27, 2015 at 07:10 PM

LM

“ Linda Mayfield lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith



Linda Mayfield - February 27, 2015 at 06:57 PM

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Linda Mayfield - February 27, 2015 at 06:52 PM



“ February 2000, Oakland California! It was a great time when we met and we became connected forever. Your life and ours became one. We enjoyed Oakland, Washington, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Los angeles, Denver, Houston, Las Vegas, New Orleans, Phoenix, Dallas. If it was and All Star game, we were there. I remember getting that scary call from Rachelle when you had to be life flighted to U of M for emergency surgery. Kim burned up the road gettin get us there. As you recuperated we felt better. Later you surprised us with a trip to Las Vegas because we loved you. We enjoyed so many concerts and events. Our best concert was always Frankie Beverly and Maze. Your Toledo family loves you. You will always be my little Brother. You and Your brother Kim always protected and watched out for me. New York city was our last "BIG PARTY". You are now at peace with your Father. With heavy hearts, Kim and Vicky.

Victoria Colbert - February 27, 2015 at 08:58 AM

BG

“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of Ray (Tuffy). I have known him since he was a little boy and watched him grow to be a wonderful and responsible man. My heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Barbara Graham - February 26, 2015 at 11:54 PM

CW

“ Clyde Williams lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith



Clyde Williams - February 26, 2015 at 07:15 PM

TB

“ Ray O' What great memories we had at Emerson and Central C/O 1977! You will be missed. Friends always....

Terry Boone-Love



Terry Boone-Love - February 26, 2015 at 12:07 PM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - February 26, 2015 at 09:30 AM

TF

“ Ray and I go back as far as junior high and, have been friends ever since. I'll miss your since of humor Ray O. R.I.P.

tim freeman - February 25, 2015 at 09:27 PM

CF

“ Sending prayers from The Fairley Family.
For cousin Tuffy. Will miss you.
God Bless.

Catherine Fairley
Atlanta Ga

Catherine Fairley - February 25, 2015 at 03:35 PM

MJ

“ Sending Our Condolences To The Bishop Ray Odell Smith Family,
Our Prayers Are With You And Your Loved Ones In Jesus' Name
All Our Love; Luther Deloney Jr & Family 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Mr Luther Deloney Jr - February 24, 2015 at 10:32 PM

MF

“ Mr Luther Deloney Jr & Family lit a candle in
memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith



Mr Luther Deloney Jr & Family - February 24, 2015 at 10:23 PM

BF

“ Barney Family lit a candle in memory of
Bishop Ray Odell Smith



Barney Family - February 24, 2015 at 04:26 PM

DE

“ *one for the road on the fellows from the civic park bar.*



dee - February 24, 2015 at 04:11 PM

CF

“ *Ray, I remember the Good times that we shared when we were attending Central High School. Boy did we have fun and the memories will last forever.....God Bless your family in this time of sorrow. RIP my dear friend.....*

cookie french - February 24, 2015 at 01:47 PM

BG

“ *Benita Green lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith*



Benita Green - February 23, 2015 at 06:56 PM

 Lisa Outen

“ *My condolences go out to Kim, his children, his family, and friends. There have been so many good times within our circle of family up at the Muffler Man. Your cheer and caring spirit has made our lives just that much better. Not family by birth but family by life. Among the greatest men I've known Rayo always treated me and mine like family. I am heartbroken and in disbelief that Rayo has went to be among the angels. Rest in peace Rayo you were so important to all of us and may god bless you in your journey of the heavens.*

Lisa Outen - February 23, 2015 at 06:30 PM

TI

“ To RayShell, Raymond, and all the rest of Ray's family, I am so sorry for the sudden loss of your father, grandfather, uncle, brother and cousin! There's no words that can adequately comfort and console in this time of mourning! Only the love of Jesus, and His grace and mercy will sustain you, and carry you on through life's journey! In offering my sincerest sympathy, I pray that God will continue to strengthen, lead and guide you in honoring and celebrating the life of your dearly departed! I've known Ray for many years, and he also knew my father, "Buddy Row", from way back, as my dad is who introduced me to Ray! I must say I was really shaken by this sudden loss, and it goes to prove that no man knows the day, the hour, nor the minute when God will call us on home, and so, we must try to live each day like it could be our last, and be prepared for the inevitable appointed time of our own transition! **GOD BLESS, AND BE ENCOURAGED!**

TERRY S ISOM - February 23, 2015 at 10:27 AM

RH

“ Renee Hill-Sykes lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith



Renee Hill-Sykes - February 22, 2015 at 08:27 PM

RH

“ I have fun memories of Ray. We made each other laugh. Rest in heaven `Tuffy`. You will be missed.



Renee Hill-Sykes - February 22, 2015 at 08:14 PM



“ *Watever Wat lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith*



Watever Wat - February 22, 2015 at 06:49 PM

DB

“ *You are in my prayers, sorry for your lost. Dorothy Brown DETROIT, Michigan*

Dorothy Brown - February 22, 2015 at 06:09 PM

BC

“ *Our prayers are with the family at this time, sorry for your lost. Bishop Willie J. & Lady Barbara Campbell.*

Bishop W J Campbell - February 22, 2015 at 06:00 PM

SP

“ *Sparkle lit a candle in memory of Bishop Ray Odell Smith*



sparkle - February 22, 2015 at 05:18 PM

B-

“ To the Entire Smith Family, we were so sad to hear of Ray O 's homegoing. He has been a part of the MOORE Family for well over 50 years. May you find strength in knowing the Lord will see you through, keep looking to the hills. WEEPING may endure for a night, but surely JOY will come in the morning.



B-Moe - February 22, 2015 at 10:00 AM

MM

“ To my special friend we shared the same birthday, you will truly be missed.



M 6nique McMullen - February 22, 2015 at 08:15 AM

DB

“ I will miss you my Brother...Love You....Lord place your loving arms around his children & wife



DeLisa. Boyd-Battle - February 21, 2015 at 06:09 PM

DeLisa
Battle

“ You will truly be missed Brother



DeLisa Battle - February 21, 2015 at 05:53 PM



“ *Rest In Sweet Peace "Tuffy"!*



Doris Moore-White - February 21, 2015 at 05:07 PM