



## Barbara Smith

December 4, 1946 - July 23, 2024

Mrs. Barbara Smith was born in Talladega, Alabama on December 4, 1946 to the parentage of Mr. Thomas Lee Turner and Mrs. Mary Louise Chatman Thomas.

She accepted Christ as her personal Savior while attending Peace Missionary Baptist Church. Later in life, Mrs. Smith's unwavering faith led her to serve the Lord diligently at Rushing Springs Missionary Baptist Church for more than five decades. Her dedication to the Lord was evident in her tireless work on the Culinary Committee, where she shared her love through food and fellowship. Education played a significant role in Mrs. Smith's life, as she graduated from Westside Senior High School in 1966 and pursued further studies in cosmetology at Gadsden Vocational Technical Trade School. Her passion for learning and self-improvement defined her character.

Soon after completing high school, Mrs. Smith met her soulmate who would change her life forever, Mr. Dave Smith, Jr. The two became one on July 20, 1967 when they were united in Holy Matrimony. Together they shared over 57 years of a blessed marriage and the gift of raising four loving children whom she treasured with all her heart. Through the years, Mrs. Smith found pure joy in spending time with her children and grandchildren, engaging in friendly card games including UNO, spades, and Phase 10, cheering for the Auburn Tigers, and fishing by the banks on warm days. Her love for cooking and traveling

brought her immense happiness, and her infectious spirit touched all who had the privilege of knowing her. True to her nature, Mrs. Smith's kindness, lovable nature, and candidness endeared her to many. As we reflect on her life, we remember her as a compassionate soul with a sweet spirit that will forever resonate in our hearts.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Barbara Smith received her wings while in the of Regional Medical Center surrounded by her loved ones. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas Lee Turner and Mary Louise Thomas, brothers, Thomas Lee Turner, Jr., Thomas Turner, and Roy C. Twymon and brother-in-law, Willie Joe Springer.

Mrs. Smith leaves a legacy of love and memories to forever be cherished by her loving and devoted husband of over 57 years, Mr. Dave Smith, Jr.; a brother she raised as her son, Tolton Twymon; two nephews whom she took under her wings as her own sons, James Story and Brandon Twymon; a devoted God daughter, Mignon Stricklin; two grandsons, Braylonn Stricklin and Wyatt Stricklin; bonus son, Vincent Oden, Sr.; bonus grandchildren, Vincent Oden, Jr. and Jordan Oden; one brother, James (Frankie) Williams; sisters, Mary Protho, Lillian Kerley, Mary Catherine (George) McCleskey, and Jacqueline Springer; aunts, Linda Gail Tucker and Mary Ann Chatman; sisters-in-law, Sandra (Walter) Stephens and Bonnie Twymon; brother-in-law, James Henry Smith; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Mrs. Barbara Smith's departure from this world leaves a void that cannot be filled, but her enduring spirit will continue to inspire those who were fortunate enough to have known her. Let us come together to honor her memory, celebrate her legacy, and find comfort in the beautiful life she lived.

# Cemetery Details

**Kelly Springs Memorial Gardens**

## Previous Events

### Public Viewing

JUL **29**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. East  
Talladega, AL 35160

### Celebration of Life

JUL **30**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

TD

“ *Tina Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Smith*



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**Tina Dickerson** - July 31, 2024 at 02:59 AM

DD

“ *Deborah Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Smith*



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**Deborah Dickerson** - July 31, 2024 at 12:02 AM

CG

“ *Our prayers to God are for your comfort, love and peace during this difficult time for her family and friends. George and Mary, we love you...*  
-C.J. & Devan Green



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**CJ and Devan Green** - July 29, 2024 at 08:08 PM

SS

“ *Sylvia Gillispie Scales lit a candle in memory of Barbara Smith*



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**Sylvia Gillispie Scales** - July 29, 2024 at 06:58 PM

DW

“ We go to church and are friends with George and Mary. So so sorry for your loss. Words always seem so inadequate. Our thoughts are with your family. Don and Joyce White

Don and Joyce White - July 29, 2024 at 01:30 PM

HF

“ Halcy Tann & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara Smith.



Halcy Tann & Family - July 29, 2024 at 12:10 PM

BM

“ Will forever hold precious memories of Gail in my heart, her laughter and smile Will always be there. Dave, job well done. Love you family



Barbara Lane Morris - July 29, 2024 at 09:14 AM

FM

“ Fred, Jaeden & Jazmynn McCleskey purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara Smith.



Fred, Jaeden & Jazmynn McCleskey - July 29, 2024 at 01:21 AM

MM

“ *Deepest sympathy and prayers for the family*



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**Minister Zee Moore** - July 27, 2024 at 01:20 PM

HM

“ *As I light this candle, I am remembering the years past. Rest in Heavenly peace. Dave, look to the hills, it's there. Helen Millender*



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**Helen Millender** - July 26, 2024 at 11:51 AM

BE

“ *Love, prayers, and the deepest condolences to Barbara Gail's family* 🌹

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**Barbara Dickerson Embry** - July 26, 2024 at 08:21 AM

TF

“ *The Roy Twymon Family purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Barbara Smith.*



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**The Roy Twymon Family** - July 26, 2024 at 07:19 AM

WI

“ Missing her light & love.



Winona - July 26, 2024 at 12:10 AM

AH

“ Deepest condolences to the family 🕊️ 🕯️ 🙏



Alonzo & Shernevelyne Hill - July 24, 2024 at 08:59 PM

WI

“ Remembering Gail always.



Winona - July 24, 2024 at 08:34 PM

ML

*We were and always will be the best of friends, classmate, neighbor living in Knoxville Homes, as children, I, remember when she moved to Lincoln, when it was absolutely country compared to Talladega, now it's bigger, Didn't see or talk much lately but our friendship was in place, Her Sister Lillian always kept me up to date about her, She really was my very first Best Friend even unto this day, God's Continual Blessings upon her Family, In My Prayer 🙏 Henrietta Johnson Lawler&Family, 🙏🙏🌺🌺💜💜💜*

Mrs. Henrietta Johnson Lawler - July 26, 2024 at 10:29 AM

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*My deepest sympathy to the Twymon family. From SouthEastern Salvage*

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**Cerelia Ross** - July 29, 2024 at 04:43 PM