





#### Pallbearers

Iohnnie Wideman Tryone Davis Anthony Pollard

Deonte Bush Tyrone Shine Vyrus Downs

Rashad Davis



## My Last Request

Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in. Don't say I lost the battle, for through God the victory's won. Please don't say how good I was, just that I did my best. Just say I tried my best to give, the most I could not less. Please don't give me wings or halos, for that's for God to do. I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due. Don't give expensive flowers, or talk in soft, hushed tones. Don't be concerned about me now, I'm with God, I've made it home. Don't talk about what could have been, it's over and it's done. Just see to all my family's needs, especially the little ones. When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a saint. I've done some good; I've done some wrong, so please use all your paint. Not just the brighter, lighter tones, use some grays and darks. In fact, don't put me down on canvas, just paint me in your hearts. Don't just remember good times, but remember the bad. For life is full of many things, some happy and some sad. But if you must do something, then I have one last request. Forgive me any wrong I've done, and with the love that's left, Thank God for my soul's resting, thank God for I've been blessed. Thank God for all who loved me . . . Praise God who loved me best.



### **Acknowledgements**

Our family is so appreciative of the many comforting messages, prayers, cards, floral tributes, and other expressions of kindness during the passing of our loved one. Many blessings to you.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

# Mrs. Gerlean Smith "Big Mamma"

Sunrise May 26, 1920

Sunset January 17, 2015



Sunday, January 25, 2015 2:00 P.M.

WILLIAMS MEMORIAL C.M.E. CHURCH 1530 Fifteenth Street Augusta, Georgia



Reverend Marcus J. Rogers, Pastor Reverend William McFarlin, Officiating

### Obiluary

GERLEAN NELSON SMITH, 94, was born May 26, 1920 on St. Johns Island to the late Mr. and Mrs. Earnest (Lillie) Nelson. Mrs. Smith spent her childhood in Bamburg, South Carolina, and later moved to Augusta, Georgia to complete her education at Haines Institute.

She married the late Roscoe Smith in 1940, and they were blessed with five beautiful daughters. She was preceded in death by: her sister, Hattie Mae Nelson; son, Mr. Joe Law; grandson, Lavant Posey; and a nephew, Charles (Chuck) Sanders. She saw the importance of having Christ in her life and began attending Williams Memorial C.M.E. Church. She retired from F. W. Woolworth.

Mrs. Smith leaves to cherish her memory: Mrs. Earnestine Wright, Ms. Yvonne Smith, Mrs. Mary (Johnny) Davis, Ms. Patricia Posey, Pastor Hattie Smith; a dear niece, Lillie M. Shepherd; grandchildren, Mr. Tyrone (Chanel) Davis, Ms. Connie Smith, Mr. Anthony (Sarkethia) Smith, Mrs. Antionette (Joseph) Brown, Mrs. Michele (David) Johnson-Wilson, Mr. Rashad (Katrinda) Davis, Mrs. Artisha (Christopher) Tyson-Bolding, Ms. Trina Posey and Mr. Travis Corley; nineteen great grandchildren and sixteen great-great grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.

### The Order of Service

Prelude Instrumental Selection
Processional
Selection Williams Memorial Chancel Choir
Prayer Pastor Gladys Down
Scripture
Selection Williams Memorial Chancel Choir
Reflections (Three Minutes Please) Mr. Thomas Clark, As A Church Member Mr. Harold Boler, As A Neighbor
Pastor Anthony Smith and Pastor Hattie Smith, <i>As Family Members</i>
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and Pastor Hattie Smith, As Family Members
and Pastor Hattie Smith, <i>As Family Members</i> Solo
and Pastor Hattie Smith, <i>As Family Members</i> Solo
and Pastor Hattie Smith, As Family Members  Solo

Repast Williams Memorial C.M.E. Church Fellowship Hall