



## Mrs. Barbara Jean Smith

September 18, 1938 - April 3, 2024

Barbara Jean was born September 18, 1938 to the late Frank and Carrie Patterson in Birmingham, Alabama. She was the youngest sibling of seven children. She accepted Christ at an early age at Bethel Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama. She continued her religious beliefs at Holy Cross Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan, under the leadership of Reverend Galyon L. Porter.

Barbara Jean attended Immaculata High School in Birmingham, Alabama, which was a prestigious school and graduated with honors. Her parents had sacrificed their income so that she could have a higher learning education experience. She continued her education with training courses in Millinery (Hat Designing).

Barbara Jean worked for years in the Food Industry (Catering). She was a Lottery Accountant for many, many years, which brought her great wealth. Barbara Jean met the love of her life, Arthur C. Smith; and was joined in holy matrimony. To this union, a daughter was born, Cassandra. She had a previous marriage; and in that union, a son was born, John.

Barbara Jean loved the Lord, her loving husband, family and friends. She was a caring and loving person to everyone she met. She had a holy spirit that showed in her walk of life. But the Lord called her home on April 3, 2024.

Barbara Jean is preceded in death by: siblings; Annie Lee, Otis, Louise, Fred, Frankie Mae & Charles; step-daughter; Anita Tuggle.

Barbara Jean leaves to cherish her memories, her loving husband: Arthur C.

Smith; son: John Maverick McCall (Rose); daughter: Cassandra Jean Breeden (Albert); step- children: Helen Abrams (Don) of South Carolina, Shelia Sheperd of Atlanta, Georgia, Edith Shannon (Roosevelt) of Selma, Atlanta and James Smith of Birmingham, Alabama, 4 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews Sister-in-Laws: Mamie Waker, Dorothy Calhoun and Eunice Jones (all of Birmingham, Alabama), Gertrude Raby of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Carolyn Williams, of Niagara Falls, NY; brothers-in-Law: Jimmie Smith, Rayvell (Josephine) Smith (both of Linden, Alabama); and a Special Caregiver, Vanessa Little Barber.

# Cemetery Details

## Detroit Memorial Park West

25200 Plymouth Road  
Redford Twp., MI 48239

# Previous Events

## Visitation

Sunday, Apr. **14**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home  
17600 Plymouth Road  
Detroit, MI 48227  
(313) 838-9770  
info@pyefuneralhome.com

## Family Hour

Monday, Apr. **15**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home  
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## Funeral Service

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Monday, Apr. **15**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ We are truly sorry to hear of the loss of Barbara. Please accept our condolences and may our prayers help comfort you and hasten the journey of her soul to Heaven. Words, however kind, can't mend your heartache, but those who care for you share your grief and wish you comfort and peace of mind. Much love, thoughts, and prayers from your Birmingham, Alabama family.

Chrystal Calhoun Thomas - April 15, 2024 at 01:28 PM

DG

“ My thoughts and prayers goes out to Cassandra and family, Your mother will hold an special place in my heart, I will truly miss her



D Gavin - April 15, 2024 at 12:43 AM

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“ The Mack family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Barbara Jean Smith.



The Mack family - April 14, 2024 at 03:02 PM

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“ *Our Sincere Condolences to the Family of Mrs. Barbara Smith May God give you Strength in this Difficult Time. Love Always Ms. Ann Hill & Family* ❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️



Ann Hill - April 14, 2024 at 03:22 AM



“ *My Thoughts and prayers are with the family in these difficult times. Praying for strength and comfort for The Smith Family. Love always Adrienne Dobine/Fleming & Family*



Adrienne Fleming - April 10, 2024 at 08:17 PM

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“ *Sheila McCall and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Barbara Jean Smith.*



Sheila McCall and Family - April 10, 2024 at 05:32 PM