



Mr. Toney Leeroy Smith

November 15, 1927 - June 27, 2014

His Journey:

Toney L. Smith was born to the late Eligh Smith and Ishameal Smith on November 11, 1927 in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Toney had one sister, Elnora Knighten who preceded him in death and one half-sister, Bessie Smith.

Toney was educated in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Toney accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior early in life.

Tony proudly served his country in the United States Navy and was honorably discharged December 11, 1944.

Toney L. Smith was joined in holy matrimony on December 29, 1969 to the late Ruth Mae Smith. In this union, four children were born.

On May 18, 1949 Toney moved to Detroit and on June 28, 1950 he was employed by Great Lakes Steel, making a career of it. Toney retired from Great Lakes to become an entrepreneur.

Toney lived an adventurous life; boating, fishing and hunting were his

passions. He was a people person. No one was a stranger to him. He looked forward to his daily morning coffee at a local coney island with friends.

Toney used his life skills rehabbing houses, turning them into homes for the less fortunate which helped to provide a living for his family. Toney would offer help to people without having to know them. He would express words of wisdom and would viciously scold you if he felt you deserved it.

Toney's failing health induced a scheduled surgery and subsequent hospitalization on June 25, 2014 at Providence Hospital where he made his transition home on June 27, 2014.

Cemetery Details

Grand Lawn Cemetery

23501 Grand River
Detroit, MI 48219

Previous Events

Visitation

Thursday, Jul. **3**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

Friday, Jul. **4**. 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
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Family Hour

Saturday, Jul. 5. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

Saturday, Jul. 5. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Toney Leeroy Smith*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *RIH..Mr. Toney, I've never had the pleasure of meeting you however, over the years I have become a good friend to your son Eric who on may occasion has shared stories of your teaching. You will truly be missed Tony Williams*

Tony Williams - July 06, 2014 at 08:30 AM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Toney Leeroy Smith.*



July 04, 2014 at 01:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Toney Leeroy Smith.*



July 03, 2014 at 08:12 PM

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“ My daddy has been my world. When I was a child he never lrt anyone touch me. I was the untouchable child. I remember telling my older siblings and my wonderful mother (RIP), "You better not, I'm gonna tell my dad". Those words often got me out of trouble but sometimes done no good. I miss him soooooo much. I can feel the absence of his love already. To him I was bubup. That was his name for me when I was much younger. He would take me everywhere with him; constantly pushing my head in an attempt to wake me up. I just miss him.

Eric Smith - July 01, 2014 at 07:04 AM

YR

*I love you uncle *yoronda**

yoronda rembert - July 01, 2014 at 06:21 PM

LA

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. May the God of all comfort be with you. Revelation 21:4

Laverne - June 30, 2014 at 10:36 AM