



CELEBRATING THE LIFE  
OF

Charles James Smith

July 4, 1949 - January 8, 2022



# Services

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Friday, January 28, 2022

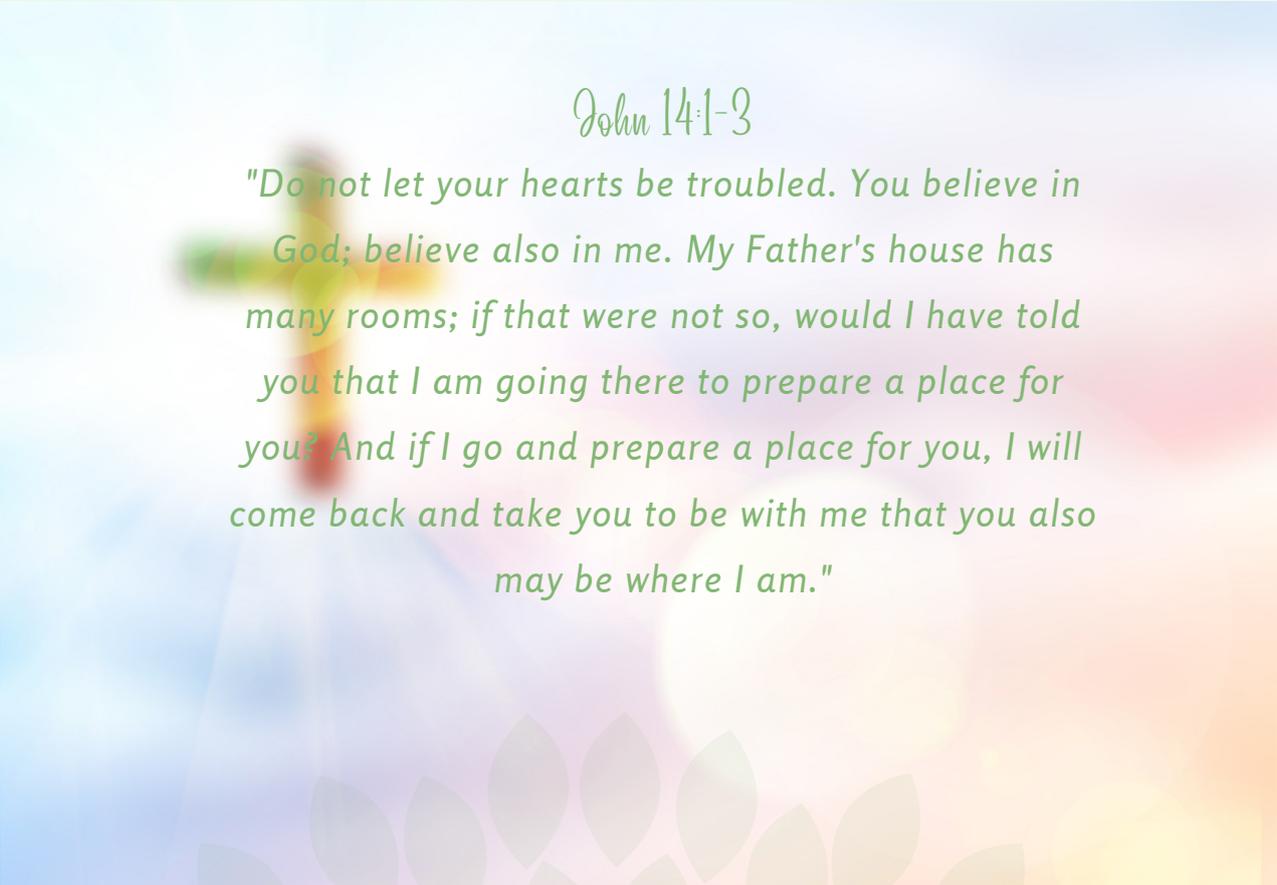
Visitation 10-11 \* Funeral 11:00am

M.J. Edwards Funeral Home

1165 Airways Blvd,

Memphis, Tennessee 38114

*John 14:1-3*



*"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."*



Charles James Smith was born July 4, 1949 in Memphis TN to the late Gilbert and Lucinda Smith.

Charles accepted Christ at an early age under the leadership of the late Rev. Eugene Bates at Mt Gilliam Missionary Baptist Church.

Charles graduated from Melrose High School in 1967, following that he was drafted to the U.S. Army where he served in the Vietnam War.

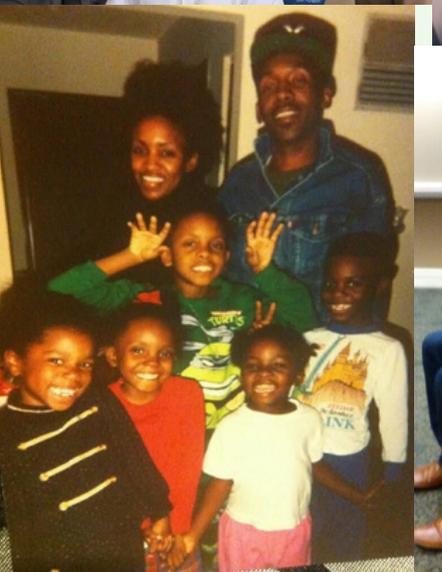
After serving in the war Charles relocated to Cincinnati, Ohio temporarily for work with his Uncle Ozel. During this time he met and was later united in Holy Matrimony to Regina Lindsey and to this union he gained 3 stepchildren and one child was born Cortnee Ji-breel Smith.

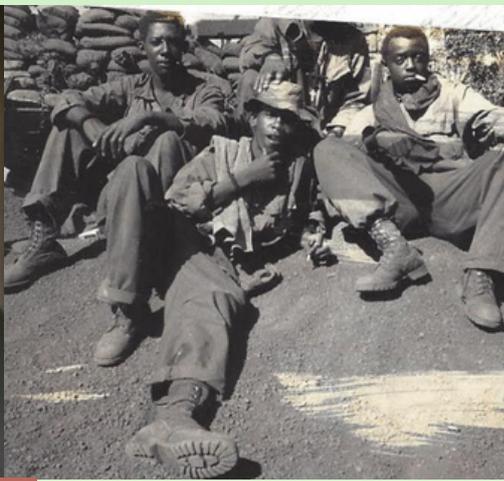
Charles spent many years in St. Louis, his home away from home. He was employed with the United States Postal Service in St. Louis until his health began to fail and he returned to Cincinnati, Ohio where he was cared for by his wife and daughter until he was called home by the Lord.

Charles departed this earthly life peacefully on January 8, 2022 at 4:01 pm surrounded by family.

Charles leaves to cherish his loving memory, his wife Regina Smith, stepchildren; Richard Lindsey Jr., Rhonda Lindsey, Rodney Lindsey (Cindi) and his daughter Cortnee Smith (Ken), 9 grandchildren, Mallory, Rahni, Carsan, Ambeyen, Jaylen, Regal, Reba, Kendrick and Kennidee. Four sisters Elloise Scott, Gwen Becton-Brown (Sam), Gail Perry, and Cherryl Jones (Chris) and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.







MOST KNEW HIM AS CHARLES, A FEW REFERRED TO HIM AS "SHORT-ROUND" AND SOME EVEN CALLED HIM "THE WHIP" BUT WE ALL KNEW HIM FOR HIS COLORFUL CATCH PHRASES!

"MANAGEMENT AIN'T FOR EVERYBODY"

"LET HIM GET HIS ROLL OUT"

"YOU GOT YOUR ELBOW IN MY SIDE"

"IF YOU SCARED STAY CLOSE TO SHORE CAUSE ONLY SHARKS SWIM DEEP"

"ITS A CONCRETE JUNGLE"

"BUMP A SUCKA HEAD BEFORE HE BUMP YOURS"

"ITS A COLD WORLD"

"ALWAYS KEEP YOUR RECORD BOOKS IN ORDER, I MAY NEED TO BORROW SOMETHING LATER"

"COME BACK FOR YOUR FOLKS, THATS WHAT FAMILY IS ALL ABOUT"

"YOU CAN DO ANYTHING THAT YOU PUT YOUR MIND TO DARLING AND DON'T EVER FORGET THAT"



*Thank you for your service!*



# Order of Service

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Prelude..... Soft Music  
Parting View..... Family  
Scripture.....Chris Jones

## *New Testament*

Prayer..... George Matlock  
*John 5:24-27*

Selection..... Eddie Tunstall  
Remarks..... Friends and Family  
*(Two Minutes Please)*

Video Tribute.....  
Obituary..... Read Silently  
Eulogy..... Pastor Clinton Hammer  
Benediction..... Pastor Clinton Hammer  
Recessional.. Clergy, Pallbearer, & Family

## *Interment*

Friday, January 28, 2022

West Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery  
4000 Forest Hill Irene Road  
Memphis, Tennessee 38125

# Pallbearers

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Ken Payne

Rodney Lindsey

Donarie Brown Jr.

Mario Brown

Donarie Brown Sr.

Christopher Jones

## Honorary Pallbearers

Richard Lindsey Jr.

Jaylen Sherman

James Jones (Pepper)

Micheal Matlock

## Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

The Smith Family