



ACTIVE  
PALLBEARERS

Rashaud Shelton  
Jordan Hanna  
Brian Keeling II  
Edward Mitchell  
Vann Carter  
Kameron Gines

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Edward Shelton V  
Damien Carter  
Ed Shelton  
Brian Keeling III  
Sharif Hanna  
Terrance Smalls

*Armand*  
SMALLS

Miss Me But Let Me Go

Don't think of me as gone away  
His journey has just begun, life  
holds so many facets this earth is  
only one. Just think of him as  
resting from the sorrows and  
tears. He is now in a place of  
warmth and comfort where there  
are no days and years. Think how  
he must be wishing that we could  
know today how nothing but our  
sadness can really pass away. And  
think of him as living in the hearts  
of those he touched... For nothing  
loved is ever lost and he was loved  
oh so very much.

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

We the family of Mr. Armand Ray Smalls  
wish to extend our sincerest appreciation  
to our many family and friends for all acts  
of kindness shown during our moments  
of sorrow. The Lord has been good to us  
and we thank you for being there with us.  
May God forever bless and keep each of  
you is our prayer.

BURIAL

MOUNT SAINT  
MARY'S CEMETERY

2201 CLEVELAND AVE.,  
KANSAS CITY, MO 64127

YOUR LIFE WAS A BLESSING YOUR MEMORY A TREASURE

HOMEGOING  
CELEBRATION

MR.  
*Armand Ray*  
SMALLS

SUNRISE | FEBRUARY . 12. 1953  
SUNSET | AUGUST . 24. 2025

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Golden Gate Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC

2800 E. 18<sup>th</sup> St. Kansas City, MO 64127

Wake 10:00 AM Celebration of life 11 AM

ALWAYS & FOREVER MISSED BEYOND WORDS

Mr. Armand Ray Smalls was born on February 12, 1953, at General Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri. Armand accepted Christ at an early age, and on Father's Day 2025, he rededicated his life back to Christ.

Armand was a resident of the lovingly termed Eastside neighborhood. As he used to say, "East End Babyyyyyyyy!" He was educated in the Kansas City, Missouri School System and attended East High School, where he met his first love, Sharon Ramey. Together they had two beautiful daughters. He longed to marry his beloved Sharon but never married. Later in life, he had several more children and raised a bonus daughter, who preceded him in death.

Armand entered the labor force, working multiple jobs—Guy's and Lipton were two of his favorites—eventually ending with Holland Nameplate. He was proud of the several inventions he accomplished, often calling himself a baby genius of sorts. He was also the barber for many family and friends. Multi-talented and a true jack of all trades, Armand could do anything he set his hands and mind to.

He loved to draw and create beautiful works of art—he thought he was Picasso, and you couldn't tell him otherwise. Armand also loved to cook and was very good at it, proudly showing off his culinary skills. His favorite pastimes included listening to music, with jazz at the top of the list. He loved cruising around town or washing his car while listening to his beats. He enjoyed playing dominoes and cards with family and friends. A true Domino King, he mastered the game to perfection.

Armand was a smooth operator with the ladies and took pride in his attire, always donning a fresh brim and polished shoes. He was always dressed sharper than a tack—full of class, style, and finesse. If you know, you know!

Armand loved his children, grandchildren, his new great-grandson, and the mothers of his children, as well as all of his family and friends. He was an honorable, noble, loyal, trustworthy, and God-fearing man.

Armand departed this life on August 24, 2025, at Corondelet Ignite Medical Resort in Kansas City, Missouri. He is preceded in death by his mother, Norma Jean Brown Smalls; his brothers, Lorenzo Smalls, Lambert Smalls, and Aaron Smalls; his daughter, La'Keshia A. Smith; and his grandsons, Edward T. Shelton IV and Keion L. Gines.

He leaves to cherish his memory his children, Roschelle Shelton (Elisha), Jocelyn Ramey, and Armand Smith; his grandchildren; his great-grandson; and a host of family members, friends, and loved ones.

# Order Of Service

Prelude.....Soft Music

Charles Earland "Black Talk"

Processional.....Clergy & Family

## Opening Remarks

Scripture.....Elder Collins

Old Testament Psalms 24: 7-10

Old Testament John 14: 1-6

Prayer.....Elder Collins

Selection.....Boney James Ft. Lalah Hathaway

"Coastin"

## Acknowledgments & Condolences

Life Reflections.....Video Tribute

Remarks.....( 2min)

Selection.....Boney James Ft. October London

"All I Want Is You"

Words of Comfort.....Elder Collins

Recessional

Benediction

