

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Nile Dozier
Barry Edwards, Jr.
James Pinckney Jr.

Bryon Davis
Gabriel Edwards
John Smith, Jr.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Eric Bolger
Tevin Stevens

Raekwon Mazyck
Enoch Smith Jr.

INTERMENT

Canaan Memorial Gardens
Summerville, South Carolina

EXPRESSIONS of GRATITUDE

May the road rise up to meet you
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sunshine warm upon your face.
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again

May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.
Thank you sincerely for sharing our sorrow
Your kindness is deeply appreciated
and will always be remembered.

~ *The Family of the Late Mother Elouise B. Smith*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED :



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY OF

ELDER

Elouise
BIRCH SMITH

SUNRISE: JANUARY 2, 1936 | SUNSET: NOVEMBER 25, 2025

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 | 11:00 A.M.
GREATER ST. JAMES AME CHURCH
1831 Jedburg Road | Summerville, SC

ELDER ELOUISE BIRCH SMITH LIFE STORY



Elder Elouise Birch Smith was born on January 2, 1936, in Moncks Corner, South Carolina, to the late George Birch and Annie Smith Birch. She peacefully transitioned to eternal life with the Lord on November 25, 2025, in North Charleston, South Carolina.

Elder Smith was educated in the Berkeley County public schools and later worked for many years as a school bus driver, safely carrying generations of children to and from school.

A devoted woman of faith, she was a longtime and faithful member of Canaan Christian Church, Disciples of Christ. She served in many roles, including Elder, member of the Prayer Band, Altar Communion Steward and the South Carolina Ministers' Wives and Husbands Fellowship Ministry. She loved the Lord deeply, and her favorite scripture was Psalm 91.

In February of 1953, she was united in holy matrimony to Minister Ezekiel Smith, and together they were blessed with eight children.

Elder Smith was known as the matriarch of her family and a pillar in her community. She had a gift for making people feel loved, welcomed, and cared for. She enjoyed gardening, canning, sewing, quilting, fishing, and modeling her beautiful hats. Above all, she loved cooking and feeding others, no one ever left her home hungry. She also opened her heart and home as a foster parent, sharing her kindness with many children over the years.

Elder Smith lived a life of service, joy, and faith. Her legacy will continue through the lives she touched and the love she so freely gave.

Elder Smith leaves to cherish her memory: Minister Matthew Smith (Patricia), Elder Sheila D. Pinckney, (Elder James Pinckney, deceased), Annie M. Dozier (Dennis Keith), Evangelist Georgianne S. Edwards, Viola Green (Emuel) and brother Isaiah Burch.

Grandchildren: Saint Julian Snider (Jessica), Schkena-Juleen Snider-Jones (Rhalpheal), Sonya J. Amaker (Paul), Jovita Smith, Monique Smith, September-Joy Shelby, James Pinckney, Jr. (Delilah), DeeDe Pinckney Holly (Reverend Kenneth), DeNiya Nguyen (Farrell), Nile Dozier (Sheneikwa), Tia Marie Smith, Damon E. Smith (Shanta), and Damontre L. Smith, Timothy J. Smith Jr., Barry A. Edwards Jr., Gabriel A. Edwards, Candida V. Birch and Emuel Octavio Green.

Great Grandchildren: Saint Julian III, Sheridan Joelle, Erynn L., E'Moni D., Victoria L., Darcy S., Colette L., James Anthem, Shemah S., Hosea C., Esperanza L., Liberty B., Samuel A., Ella Elaine, Joshua Daniel, Nyla P., Jayden K., Imarri, Qaysuan, King Moultrie, Shonterria, Damon Jr., De'Moni, Gabriella Elouise De'Adre, Destiny Jones, Paul and Daja Amaker.

THE ORDER of SERVICE

*Pastor Larry Mazyck, Sr. Officiating
Minister Joseph Brown, Presiding*

PROCESSIONAL

"I'm Free"

HYMN - "Amazing Grace"

Pastor Mazyck/Canaan Christian Church (CCC) Choir

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Old Testament - Psalm 91:1-4

New Testament- 1 Corinthians 15:51-57

Evangelist Girdine Chrisolm
Pastor Deveta Smith-Brown

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Pastor Eva Husser

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mrs. Schkena-Juleen Snider-Jones

SOLO - "You Are My Strength"/"You Fight On"

Sister Teresa Jamerson

REMARKS

Church Leader | Deacon Gene Smalls

Friend | Pastor Anna Gibbs, *International House of Prayer*

Friend | Pastor Bishop Irvine A. Bryer, Jr., *CrossRoad Christian Church, Inc.*

Family | Minister Matthew Smith/Sister Annie Dozier

FAMILY TRIBUTE

Children
Grandchildren
Family Patrolman

VIDEO TRIBUTE

SELECTION - "I Don't Know Why Jesus Loves Me"

CCC Choir

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS/RESOLUTION

Sister Dora Simmons

SELECTION - "I Promise the Lord I Will Hold Out"

Sister Gerlene Jamerson/CCC Choir

EULOGY

Pastor Larry Mazyck, Sr.

SELECTION - "I Wanna Go Where the Thunder Don't Roar"

CCC Choir

BENEDICTION

VIEWING

RECESSIONAL

COMMITTAL

At Gravesite

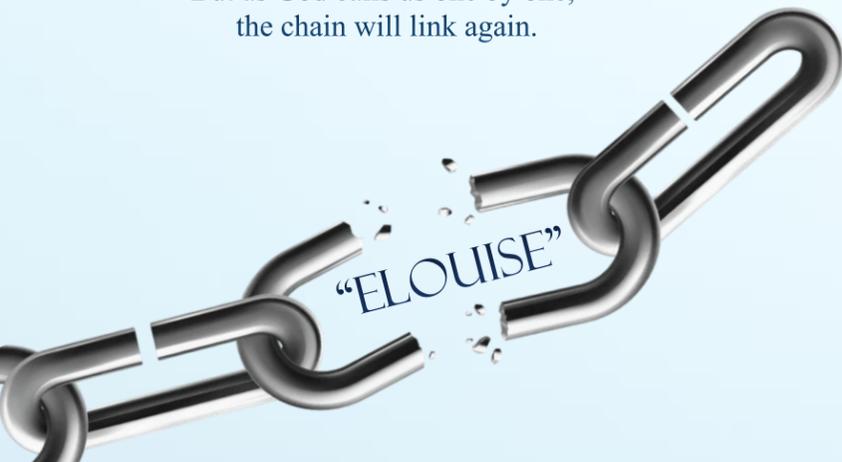
A repast will be served at Canaan Christian Church, 1232 Queenie Road, Moncks Corner, SC, after the burial service.

Weep Not For Me

By an Unknown Author
Weep not for me though I have gone
Into that gentle night
Grieve if you will, but not for long
Upon my soul's sweet flight
I am at peace, my soul's at rest
There is no need for tears
For with your love I was so blessed
For all those many years
There is no pain, I suffer not
The fear is now all gone
Put now these things out of your thoughts
In your memory I live on
Remember not my fight for breath
Remember not the strife
Please do not dwell upon my death
But celebrate my life

The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning
that God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
in death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
you did not go alone;
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories,
your love is still our guide;
And though we cannot see you,
you are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken
and nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
the chain will link again.



Psalm 91

1 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
2 I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."
3 Surely he will save you
from the fowler's snare
and from the deadly pestilence.
4 He will cover you with his feathers,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.
5 You will not fear the terror of night,
nor the arrow that flies by day,
6 nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,
nor the plague that destroys at midday.
7 A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.
8 You will only observe with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.
9 If you say, "The Lord is my refuge,"
and you make the Most High your dwelling,
10 no harm will overtake you,
no disaster will come near your tent.
11 For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways;
12 they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.
13 You will tread on the lion and the cobra;
you will trample the great lion and the serpent.
14 "Because he loves me,"
says the Lord, "I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name."
15 He will call on me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.
16 With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation."

Special sister-in-law Ruth Stevens, daughter-in-law Gwendolyn Snider, and son-in-law, Barry A. Edwards, Sr.; Godchildren, Rosa Thomas-King and Sandy J. Smith; special friend Elder Eliza Husser Cave, along with a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends who will continue to carry her legacy in their hearts.

She was preceded in death by her husband Minister Ezekiel Smith, son Esau Smith, daughter Virgie L. Snider, and son Timothy J. Smith, Sr., son-in-law Rev. Dr. Saint Julian Snider Sr.; sisters, Lillie Ann Morton and Victoria Bradley.

"A new commandment I gave unto you. That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." ~ John 13:34

Mother

You are a strong lady
with kind eyes
You have prayed and given
love to many people

Much of my strength
Comes from the knowledge
and respect
you have poured into my life

You have built a
bridge of faith
Between your life
and mine

You have taught
me to face a real world
remembering to be strong
and yet gentle

Your service to life
Is a great example
and I am proud
you are my mother

By Pat McKay

I Thank God For You

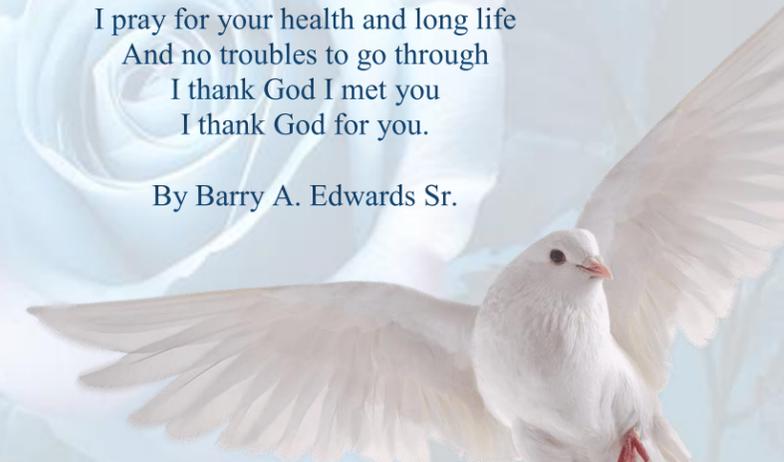
Every time I needed a mother
God put one there for me
To help me through my troubles
To help set my soul free

I thank God for so many things
These words I write are true
I thank God for my life
I thank God for you

You were always there to help me
Sometimes with silent hands
You never gave up on me
Others didn't understand
Through my darkest hours
You helped turn my gray skies blue
I thank God for mothers
I thank God for you.

There is a place deep down in my heart
Where you will always dwell
And the way I feel about you
Mere words can never tell
I pray for your health and long life
And no troubles to go through
I thank God I met you
I thank God for you.

By Barry A. Edwards Sr.



YOUR LIFE WAS A BLESSING,



Your Memory a Treasure

