

God's Garden

God looked around His garden
And He found an empty place.
And then He looked down upon the earth.
And saw your tried face.

He put His arms around you,
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering,
He knew you were in pain,
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough,
And the hills were hard to climb,
So He closed your weary eyelids,
And whispered "Peace be thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you.
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.

The Family



Acknowledgement

The family of Mother Gwendolyn Smith would like to express their sincere love and appreciation for your prayers. We ask God's richest blessing for each of you

Pall Bearers Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Professional Services By
James H. Hunt Funeral Home
126 Ridge Ave.
Asbury Park, NJ 07712

Program by :Sis. Carolyn Eason

Sunrise
April 29, 1948

Sunset
January 8, 2017

A Celebration of Life For



Mother Gwendolyn Smith
"Nana"

Saturday, January 14, 2017
Viewing 8:00 am - 9:00 am
Service 9:00 am

Living Word Christian Fellowship
81 HWY 35
Neptune, NJ 07753
Host Pastor Cedric Miller

Pastor Gwendolyn Priester
Greater Emanuel Temple

Order of Service

ProcessionalClergy / Family
Officiant.....Bishop Darryl Walton
Prayer of Comfort.....Elder Shirlene Peten
Scripture Reading:
Old Testament (Isaiah 41: 10)Elder Tonya Ball
New Testament (1 Corinthians 15: 50-55)Elder Sheryl Orr
Solo.....Elder Kimberly Murphy
Words Of Encouragement.....The Clergy
Solo (Never Would Of Made It).....Bishop Darryl Walton
Remarks (1 Min.)
Reflections.....The Family
Acknowledgments / Obituary.....Minister Sonya Wright
Ministry of MusicCelebration Choir
The Eulogy.....Senior Pastor Gwendolyn Priester

Recessional

Interment

Monmouth Memorial Park Cemetery
4201 Hwy 33
Tinton Falls NJ 07753

Repass

Family and friends are invited to convene at
Martin Luther King Jr. Presbyterian Church
15 Memorial Dr.
Neptune, NJ 07753

Obituary

Gwendolyn R. Smith “Nana”, 68, of Asbury Park went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, January 8, 2017 in Neptune, NJ.

Gwendolyn R. Smith was born on April 29, 1948 in Saxe, Virginia to the late Alfred and Eleanor Bibby. She migrated with her family to Asbury Park, NJ at the age of 2 years old . She was educated in the Asbury Park School System . Gwendolyn met and married David Smith on May 6, 1972.

Gwendolyn was a childcare provider to many people in the community, had a kind heart and would help anyone in need . She was a faithful member and Pillar of Greater Emanuel Temple for the past 30 years, serving on the Mother Board as the treasurer. She was also the head of the Hospitality and Greeters Ministry and assisted on the Video Ministry.

Mother Gwen aka “Nana” was a wise woman of God who will be truly missed.

She was predeceased by her two daughters; Theodora “Teddie”, Henderson and Kim Butler, three brothers; Alfred, Samuel and Christopher Bibby.

She leaves to cherish her memories her husband; David Smith, her daughters; Wallicia “Bibby” Butler, Donna and Kiesha Smith, and Connie Booker, two brothers; Hiawatha and Phillip Bibby, 11 grandchildren; Maleeka Purvis, Markim Purvis, MyAsia Purvis, Nadirah Butler and Terek Henderson, Tyshon Henderson, Keisha Henderson, Aliesha Booker, Felicia Booker, Jasmine Hall, Tanaesha Lastrapes, 10 great grandchildren and 3 god-daughters a host and of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

