

IN LOVING
memory of

REVEREND JACOB SMITH

04.09.1952 - 12.13.2025

GREATER MT. ZION AME CHURCH

789 South Santee Road

McClellanville, South Carolina 29458

Reverend Rose M. Stokes-Small, BA., M.Div., Pastor

FUNERAL HELD AT:

GREATER BIBLEWAY CHURCH OF GEORGETOWN

1518 Hawkins Street

Georgetown, South Carolina 29440

Bishop John Smith, Jr., Pastor

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2025 1:00 PM

Order of Service

OFFICIANT: REV. ROSE SMALL

Organ Prelude.....Jamel Smith
Processional.....Hymn 272 “Pass Me Not, Oh Gentle Savior”
The Opening Hymn of Celebration.....Hymn 364 “My Hope is Built”
Prayer.....Elder Remus Harper
Choral Response.....Greater Mt. Zion AME Combined Choir
Solo.....Rosetta Washington
Old TestamentRev. Author Rivers, Psalm 23
New Testament.....Evangelist Orinell Simmons, John 14:1-5

Reflections of Life:

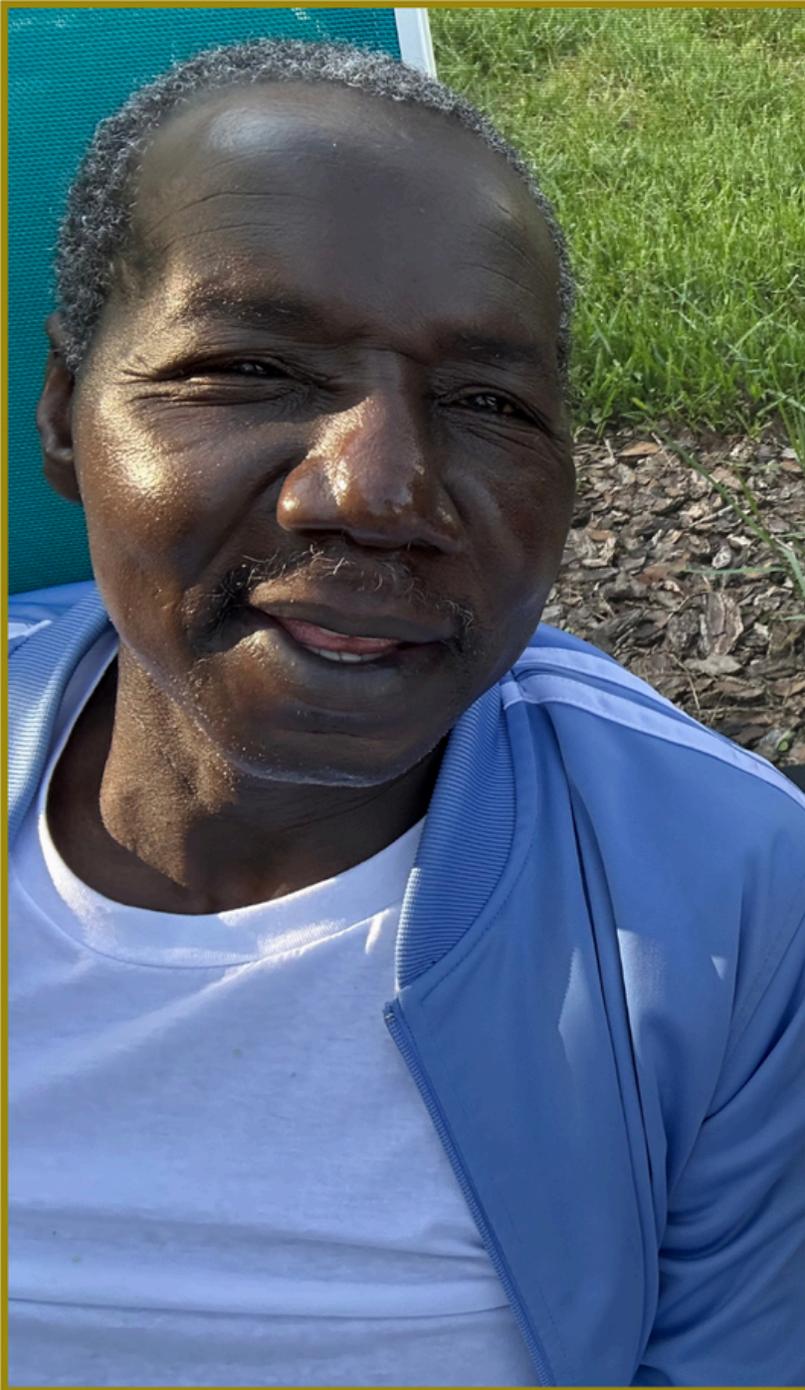
Church: Laverne Smalls, Class Leader
Family: Bishop John Smith Jr.
Veteran Affairs: Hadiya Williams

Resolution and Acknowledgements:

Lincoln High Class of 1970, Addie Campbell
Greater St. Mark AME, Barbara McHoney
Greater Mt. Zion AME, Ernestine Campbell

Songs of Meditation:Bishop Floyd Nolan
Words of Comfort.....Elder Allen Parrot
The Committal and Benediction.....Elder Allen Parrot

Recessional



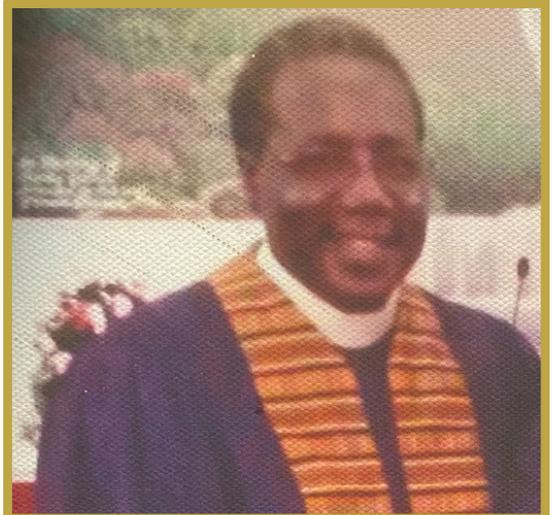


REV. JACOB SMITH

Reverend Jacob Smith, age 73, of McClellanville, South Carolina, entered eternal rest peacefully, surrounded by his loving family. Born on April 9, 1952, in Charleston, South Carolina, he was the son of the late Johnny and Susie Smith and was raised in a strong Christian home alongside six brothers. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Myers Smith.

Education and Early Accomplishments

Rev. Smith attended Lincoln High School and later earned a full scholarship to The Citadel. His commitment to learning continued throughout his life. He earned an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from Horry Technical College and later earned his Master of Divinity from Erskine Theological Seminary.



Military and Professional Service
Rev. Smith faithfully served in the United States Army, including honorable service during the Vietnam War. His dedication and courage reflected his deep sense of duty and commitment to his country.

Following his active-duty service, he began his civilian career at International Paper in Georgetown. He continued his military involvement through the Georgetown National Guard, where he rose to the rank of First Sergeant, becoming the first Black First Sergeant in the unit's history.

His leadership, discipline, and service left a lasting mark on all who served alongside him.

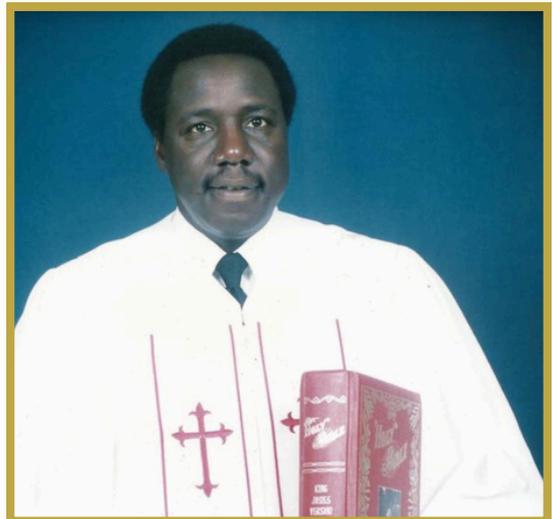


Call to Ministry

In 1987, Rev. Smith accepted God's call to ministry. In 1991, he was appointed to Greater Saint Mark A.M.E. Church in Bonneau, South Carolina, where he faithfully pastored for 23 years. It was his first and only pastoral assignment, and through it he nurtured a church family he dearly loved.

In his younger years, he served as the Greater Mt. Zion AME Sunday School Secretary. He also served with distinction as Head Statistician under four bishops in the South Carolina Palmetto Conference.

*In 2016, he authored and published *God Is Still Performing Miracles*, a testimony to his unwavering faith and belief in God's power.*



Personal Life

Jacob met the love of his life, Ms. Fattie Washington, in 1972. They were united in holy matrimony in 1974 in Florida City, Florida, and shared 51 blessed years of marriage. Their union was grounded in love, faith, and mutual devotion.



Survivors

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife, Fattie Smith; his daughter Carol Scott (Stanley); his grandchildren Derrick Alston (Candace), and Stanisha Alston; his brothers Deacon Samuel Campbell, (Daisy), Bishop Samuel Smith, (Stephanie), Bishop John Jr. Smith, (Joan), David Smith (Jeanette), and Bishop Jimmie Smith (Mary); and his sister Lori Parks (Johnnie).



He is also survived by his great-grandchildren Faith, Micah, Amari, and Layloni.

He leaves a large and loving extended family: Marva Williams, Carolyn Franklin, Raymond Jr. , Ruben & Dorothy Washington, Annie Kate Daniels , Teresa Branch, Valerie Washington, Arlillian Washington, Timothy Washington, Antoinette & Herbert McCoy, and Aunt-in-law Hattie Burke.

He is additionally remembered with love by his adopted children Octavia Myers, Tamekia Alston, Rena Vaughan host of nieces, nephews, cousins, godchildren, church members, and friends.



He will be reunited in heaven with his Great Grandson Malachi Alston, and a host of family and friends – Velma Williams, Larry Franklin, Raymond Jr. Washington, Johnny Washington, John Daniels, Charles Branch, and Alfonso Washington.

Legacy

Rev. Smith retired with honor from the U.S. Army, International Paper, the Georgetown National Guard, and the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

He will be remembered for his patience, wisdom, gentle nature, and the love he poured into his family, congregation, and community. His life reflected service, humility, and deep trust in God. His legacy will continue through all whose lives he touched.





In Your arms, Lord



Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the life of Jacob. A soul who brought joy, love, and light into our lives.

Though we grieve his absence, we trust he now rest safely in Your arms.



Comfort our hearts with your peace, fill us with hope through Christ, and help us carry his memory with grace.

Until we meet again, keep us close to You.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen.



Pallbearers

Wendell Smith

Stafford Alston

Kelvin Washington

Rueben Washington Jr.

Michael Smith Jr.

Stephon Alston

Terrell Washington

Flower Carriers

Lincoln High School Class of 1970

Acknowledgments

The family would like to express their heartfelt appreciation to all the many friends, family and loved ones, who shared words of comfort during our time of bereavement. God bless each of you.

Interment

Progressive Old Board Ceremony

1800-2298 7 Mile Rd, McClellanville, SC 29458

Repast

Lincoln High

714 Lincoln Rd, McClellanville, SC 29458

Gethers Funeral Home

200 Grace Street

Moncks Corner, SC 29461

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Special Thanks to Candace Alston for designing obituary.