



## Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith

October 5, 1993 - May 8, 2020

Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith was born in Saginaw, Michigan to Matthew Smith and Fontella L. Russell on October 5, 1993. He passed away on May 8, 2020 at the age of 26 years.

Caryle Smith was a member of Garden of Eden Church and he served as an usher. He was employed at Meijer's for four years. He graduated from Heritage High School where he played football. He also attended and graduated from the Transitional Center School where he participated in the Special Olympics; he played football, basketball, baseball, skiing, track, bowling and more. Caryle loved playing his play station 4, going to car lots to look at cars and trucks, playing Pokeman and Ingress. He liked hanging out at the mall or Stardust Bowling Alley with his friends.

He leaves to cherish precious memories his mother, Fontella LaShone Russell-Smith and father, Matthew Smith; grandparents, Caryle and E. Gloria Russell; sister, Ethel (DeMondre Washington) Smith; brother, DeShone Smith; many aunts and uncles; a host of cousins, including special cousins, Ash, Courtney, Beverly, Chris, Layla, Lilly and Kevin; many special relatives and friends including, McKenzie Uphold, Matt Bronzer, Matt McCullium. Brian Hurtig, Laura Platz, Lisa Platz, Matt Jacques and Hammer Bachee; god-son,, Ezell Bachee.

A private funeral service will be held with Pastor Willie Smith will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery, 3210 S. Washington Avenue.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

3210 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **26**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 North Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607

# Tribute Wall



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthwe Smith



Browne's Mortuary - June 03, 2020 at 05:04 PM



I am so sorry to hear he passed.. he was a great sweet guy.. him & my son Grayson use to hang out..I just found out..he was the best

Erika Byrd - November 08, 2020 at 12:13 PM

KC

I miss my Brother and my Best Friend Caryle bro I will forever miss you and I love you bro seeing you in the casket hurt me bro and broken me down and then Dilleon Scott and I couldn't hold our tears back including lance and everyone from school and just know I know your always with me no matter where I am or where I go I love you bro

Kenneth Causey - February 01, 2021 at 12:41 AM



“ Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthwe Smith



Browne's Mortuary - May 27, 2020 at 10:45 AM

MW

*Beautiful Service Matt and Fontella. We are thinking of you all and keeping you in our prayers! Love, Mike, Marcia and Peter Wolohan*

**Marcia Wolohan** - May 27, 2020 at 11:54 AM

CH

*Thinking of you guys right now and keep you in my prayers*

**Cori hare** - May 28, 2020 at 01:42 AM

WF

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds And Reynolds Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith*



**Wanda Faye Reynolds and Reynolds Family** - August 17, 2024 at 11:35 AM



“ *Carl was on of the nicest young men I ever met.. him and my son Grayson use to hang out at the Mall or the Movies.. I can't stop crying.. because he was like a son to me.. RIH you beautiful angel..*



**Erika Byrd** - November 08, 2020 at 01:52 PM

WR

“ *Wanda Faye Reynolds & Tamika Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith*



**Wanda Faye Reynolds & Tamika Reynolds** - September 10, 2020 at 10:19 PM

WR

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**Wanda Faye Reynolds & Tamika Reynolds** - September 10, 2020 at 09:44 PM

DT

“ Caryle was like a brother to me when me and Laura he first person she would call and he would tell me talk to Laura and I would say ok I love u bro and to the family I understand what u going through I just lost a cousin this month

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**Drevon Thomas** - May 27, 2020 at 02:54 PM

DR

“ Rest easy! Cousin miss you I remember when you came to Flint and I didn't want to share my toys and my dad was like share and I did To Cousin Matt and Fontella May Yahweh Keep and Bless you both my thoughts and prayers go out you during this time! much love Respectfully Dijon

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**Dijon Russell** - May 26, 2020 at 08:55 PM

DE

“ This was one beautiful young man. We loved him. He was a good friend to Brian. They always had fun play games, going to movies, swimming in the pool and their special boys night was filled with laughter and a bit of competition. They would make their gundam models and compare notes. He was a strong hard worker and he loved his family and his grandparents. He was especially fond of his grandpa. As Brian got physically weaker Carlye was by his side to help him out. During dinner he would tell us."You know someday , I'm gonna have my own car and a nice girlfriend. I hope he does now. We are so deeply saddened not to have him here on earth but now he is definitely one of God's great angels.

Miss you forever,  
Brian Hurtig (Deanna & Carl)

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deanna - May 26, 2020 at 05:50 PM

TD

“ My condolences to the family. We were classmates. He will be missed



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Traveon Davis - May 26, 2020 at 01:33 PM

TW

“ Matt, Father to Father I cant even begin to imagine what your going through. You are an incredible dad. We've shared a lot of great conversations through all the tournaments. I hope you and your wife find so comfort in prayer. I'm so sorry but I was schdueled to have laser heart surgery before all the quarantine started so I'm not really allowed to leave the house. My defib. isnt working on pacemaker. Penny has to work she does Cat scan at a flint Hospital no way we can make it to the memorial. I hope the flowers will brighten up day for those attending. I'm so sorry my friend. Thinking of you guys. The whole Winter Clan.  
Penny, Troy, Cody, Robert, Chris, Saige and Benny.

Troy winter - May 26, 2020 at 04:58 AM

LM

“ Love Carlotta and Mack purchased the Bountiful Memories Casket Spray for the family of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith.



Love Carlotta and Mack - May 24, 2020 at 10:24 PM

AW

“ Alex (Blue) Tomekia Willis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



Alex (Blue) Tomekia Willis - May 23, 2020 at 09:41 PM



“ I've never meant you. But heard a lot good things about you. My the Lord give life on young man's 🙏. I'm really sorry 😞 and hopefully we meet in heaven 🙏. My deepest condolences to the family 💔.



**Cecilia Thomas** - May 23, 2020 at 12:22 PM

KS

“ Karen Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



**Karen Sanders** - May 19, 2020 at 09:36 PM

KS

Fontella, I'm so sorry for the lost of your dear Caryle. My continued prayers for both you and the entire Smith/Russell family. May you find peace in knowing to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. May God bless you and may God keep you. 🙏

**Karen Sanders** - May 19, 2020 at 09:56 PM

ET

“ Eleanor Tate sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



**Eleanor Tate** - May 19, 2020 at 10:51 AM

JB

“ Carl always had a smile in his face he was so nice to me always called me Sis!! I will miss my buddy..



Jackie Batts - May 18, 2020 at 02:54 PM

DB

“ Carl was a great guy, and a good friend. I remember I used to tease about him being on the wrong Pokémon Go team, he'd just laugh about it. Meijer won't be the same without him. RIP old friend.

David Baer - May 17, 2020 at 08:23 PM

LA

“ I am sorry about Caryle. He and I worked together at the Mail Run years ago when I first got to Transitions center. We talked about things that we liked. He was nice to help me.  
I know God will watch over him. Sincerely, Ben Ackerman

L Ackerman - May 17, 2020 at 03:12 PM

CL

“ Always a sweetheart to me!  
Hugs, love, and prayers for all of you.  
steve and charmaine

charmaine lalande - May 17, 2020 at 11:35 AM

HS

I miss Carl a lot he was my brother and he was there for me every damn day

hannah sims - May 18, 2020 at 02:22 PM

LG

“ I’m so grateful to have experienced Caryle’s gift to the world of kindness and enthusiasm. He was a truly great person, and I’m wishing for peace for his family during this hard time.

Laura Gornicki - May 17, 2020 at 01:09 AM

LK

“ Caryle was one of my favorite students in work-based learning. He was always kind and considerate of those around him. Caryle had a smile that never ended. I am so very sorry for your loss. He surely will be missed by all that knew him!

Miss Linda

Linda Kaeckmeister - May 17, 2020 at 12:52 AM

TR

“ My condolences to Matt, Fontella, and family. May God be with you all.  
Traci Young



Traci - May 16, 2020 at 10:12 PM

AM

“ Caryle was a good friend to Austin and we are going to miss him. Caryle and family are in our thoughts and prayers. The family of Ausin Mikolaiczik

Austin C Mikolaiczik - May 16, 2020 at 08:48 AM

VM

“ On behalf of the Marsh Family ( of Athens Street) we send our deepest condolences to Matt & Fontella Smith. May Gods grace and comfort see you through the days ahead. Know that we love you and are praying for you and the entire Family during this time.



Vernon K. Marsh - May 16, 2020 at 08:18 AM

CB

“ Cin Bell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



Cin Bell - May 15, 2020 at 08:14 PM

HB

“ So sorry for your loss, I had the opportunity to meet him a few. Such a sweet man he will be missed



Heidi Baer - May 15, 2020 at 07:39 PM

BD

“ Rest in Heaven lil cuz you will be truly missed praying for the family

Bowes Derrick - May 15, 2020 at 04:55 PM

JB

“ Jackie Batts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



Jackie Batts - May 15, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ Rest In Peace buddy will miss seeing u at Meijer and During special Olympic events praying for the family to



Scott Sayers - May 15, 2020 at 02:19 PM

KO

“ Kevin ONeal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



Kevin ONeal - May 15, 2020 at 01:27 PM

KO

“ Karen ONeal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith



Karen ONeal - May 15, 2020 at 01:26 PM

RM

“ *RIP Caryle Smith*

Roderick Meeks - May 15, 2020 at 12:26 PM

TM

“ *To my Dear Friend Caryle u will be dearly missed. Thank you for always being a good and loyal friend and a good team player. You were always there for all of us to give us good advice when we needed it .Thank You for always being a good friend. And for always being there for me when I was feeling down*



Taylor Milsteen - May 15, 2020 at 11:16 AM

KD

“ *Caryle had a heart of gold.He was a good sport.I called him quick Caryle because he was fast on the court.He always had a smile on his face. He will be missed by so many.Rip Quick Caryle* 🏀🎱🏏♂️

Karen Davis - May 15, 2020 at 10:13 AM

CM

“ *Charles And Dale Mitchner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle Thomas Matthew Smith*



Charles and Dale mitchner - May 15, 2020 at 09:54 AM

LP

“ Can't believe you are gone.  
Caryle was such a good friend. All the times we would talk on phone and hung out at bowling and at mall. He was always smiling and willing to help every one. I will miss Caryle very much. I already do. Caryle was so nice to me and my family.. 🙏🙏

Laura Ploetz - May 15, 2020 at 08:59 AM

CE

“ Rest I. Heaven Carl, we love you



Cece - May 15, 2020 at 08:42 AM

CE

Sorry for the typo it's Rest In Heaven!

Cece - May 15, 2020 at 08:44 AM

CE

“ Cece lit a candle in memory of Mr. Caryle  
Thomas Matthew Smith



Cece - May 15, 2020 at 08:39 AM

CE

“ To . Matt and Fontella I'm praying for you guys especially as parents, but to my entire family we really need to hold on to God's unchanging hands , especially in these days we are living in now! I love y'all and will continue to pray for you all! Love Always , family for life Cece

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**Cece** - May 15, 2020 at 08:38 AM

ME

“ He was Very kind to everyone always there when I needed to talk to someone rip bro I miss you

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**Megan** - May 14, 2020 at 11:08 PM

PM

“ I don't remember you much but the last time I used to play basketball with you I pretty sure you know me there was a quite a few years ago but I just wanna Pay respect and one thing I got to tell you was your pretty strong guy when I 1st met you we met each other at the Saginaw Township center courts in Saginaw Michigan I guess was back in 2015 if not later but the 1st time I met you through my mutual friends your strong person you're very very strong guy like I thought I will stronger but I couldn't take you down at all while we were playing basketball but I just want to say that you're very awesome person and a very strong guy , and smart man to your family and our mutual friends we love you an we all miss you man

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**Patrick Martinez** - May 14, 2020 at 11:00 PM

SC

“ He was such a sweetheart toe in school he would always make me laugh during class while I was having a bad day ant stuff I miss him so ❤️🙏 my prays go out to his family.

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**Savannah Carlton** - May 14, 2020 at 10:27 PM

KE

“ A great friend and a great person to everyone RIP Bro

Kenny - May 14, 2020 at 09:55 PM

JT

“ I. Remember. Playing. Against. Caryle. In. Basketball. Game. He. Was. A. Good. Friend. Of. Mine. We. Had. Good. Laughs. And. Had. A. Good. Time. At. The. State. Summer. Games. He. Will. Be. Truly. Miss. Caryle. Always. Have. Me. Laughing. At. the. Bowling. Alley. Again. Fly. High. Bro. U. Have. Gained. Ur. Wings. His. Parents. Are. Good. Friend. Of. Mine. I. Went. To. Sokol. With. Them. R. I. H. Caryle. Till. We. Meet. Again

James. Tippins - May 14, 2020 at 09:49 PM

FE

“ Thank you for being an awesome friend. I will miss you.

Felicia - May 14, 2020 at 09:30 PM

KE

“ Rest In Please Caryle I remember first meeting you at the Transitions Center u was always cheerful guy and had beautiful smile ever when I used to passed by you in the hallways greet each other talk for little while before we had to head back to class studies have dances in the afternoon to dance together always cherish your memory in my heart forever 💖

Keywana - May 14, 2020 at 09:09 PM

MT

“ Carley was a very good friend he was an athlete for Saginaw area 22 he always had good sportsmanship anywhere that he played or everywhere he went he had good sportsmanship and he helped me to to have good sportsmanship he taught me everything I needed to know about sportsmanship he was a very good friend he was a healthy young man he worked he was just an amazing person not only an amazing athlete but he affected everybody in the room it don't matter if you're having a bad day his jokes were awesome and they would cheer you up you're going to be Miss Carley

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**Melissa Trenergy** - May 14, 2020 at 09:04 PM

KI

“ He was like a brother to me and an uncle to my son and he always gave advice whenever I needed it and I will miss hanging out with him and walking the mall with him.

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**Kimberly** - May 14, 2020 at 08:14 PM



Matthew Jacques

“ Caryle and i had many good memories together one of the best memories we had was we always liked to go bowling and to the saginaw mall and to the movies. Caryle was like a big brother that i never had growing up he was always there to give me the best advice he could im gonna miss him so much R.I.P MY BIG BROTHER

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**Matthew Jacques** - May 14, 2020 at 07:58 PM