



Pastor Smith,

May 19, 1925 - September 12, 2006

Funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2006 at the Victorious Believers Ministries C.O.G.I.C., 624 S. Outer Drive. Bishop Marvin C. Pryor will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Browne's Mortuary, 441 N. Jefferson Ave. on Friday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. The family will be present at 6:00 p.m. for the family hour.

"A Different Kind of Iron" Life Portrait of Pastor Eugene Smith, Sr. Beloved Pastor, Father, Grandfather, Brother, Uncle and Friend, Pastor Eugene Smith, transitioned from this life to life eternal on Tuesday, September 12, 2006 at the Auburn Care Center surrounded by his loving children. Pastor Smith was born 81 years ago on May 19, 1925, to the late Thomas and Ethel Smith. He was joined in holy matrimony to his soul mate, Amida Siler, on August 2, 1958. She preceded him in death. God blessed this union with five children. Pastor Smith served in the U. S Army during World War II earning four Bronze Stars along with numerous other medals of honor. He founded the Temple of God Church of God In Christ in 1987. He was a Pastor after God's own heart. He endeared himself to the work of the ministry for 19 years. He retired from GM Malleable Iron as a truck driver after thirty-nine years of service and was a member of UAW Local 455. He was a different kind of iron. (A man blessed.) Pastor Smith leaves his treasures and legacy to his five children: Charles (Michele) Siler, Roy (Cassandra) Siler, Deborah (Albert) Brown, Glenda Cross, Eugene (Regina) Smith, Jr.; fourteen grandchildren: Kelly, Renee Haller, Charles Siler, II, Tore

Price, Royana Siler, Somoine Daniels, LaTanya, Barry Siler, Terrance Smith, Gregory II, Ashley Cross, Tiffany, Nicole Pratt and Eugene Smith III; nine great-grandchildren; one sister, Margaret (Elmore) Hall; four sisters-in-law, Juanita Smith, Demona (James) Jackson, Joan Siler and Blanche Alexandra; long time friend and deacon, Ledell Mosley. He was preceded in death by six brothers, five sisters, two brothers-in-law and one grandson, Anquine Price. The Smith family would like to thank the staff at the Auburn Care Center in Auburn, Michigan for the professional care, given to our father.

Tribute Wall

TS

“ *There are no words to express my heartfelt sorrow for the death of your father. I can only offer you some comfort with these words from the Gospel of John, Chapter 5:24:*

Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life.

Uncle Eugene was a "hearer" and a "believer" of the Word. At this moment, he enjoys an understanding of God that you and I cannot even imagine. Please take comfort in knowing that.

Please accept my sympathy for your loss.

In Christ,

The Smith Family

Thomasina Smith - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *God takes the best, and Uncle Gene was the best. We would be there if we could. You are all in our prayers. We love you all.*

Aunt Blanche, Mary, Devonna, Kat, and families

((((((((LOVE YOU))))))))))

Kathy Hendrix - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ To my life long friends that I consider my extended family, I send my heartfelt condolences in your time of need. In remembrance of Mr. Eugene Smith and the late Mrs. Smith

WITH THE LORD

Yes, we are fully confident, and we would rather be away from these bodies, for then we will be at home with the Lord.

2 Corinthians 5:8

Jethro Carter - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ To Glenda and the family, I'm so thankful to God to have met your father. What an awesome man of God. At the mention of Jesus, Pastor Smith lit up like a bright light and the conversation was on...

I'm very thankful to God for the time I shared with your father and for all the words of wisdom he shared with me. I know you guys are so proud to have had a true Warrior, Soldier, and Godly example to call dad. You guys are so blessed.

I love you Glenda and I'm so thankful you guys adopted me as your baby sister!!!

Nita Williams - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

IT

“ Dear Margaret:

Savannah and I were very sorry to learn of the lost of your brother Eugene.

GOD bless and keep you always.

Ida Mae Thompson - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ I just want you all to know that I am thinking about you and praying for you. Thank you for accepting me into your Family years ago. I love you with the love of the Lord.

Gregory Wilson - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ may the works you've done speak for you

clifton brown,sr. - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ In your time of grief remember that God is too wise to make a mistake. May you be comforted in knowing that Eugene is home at last with the Lord.

Dorothy Lee Oliver - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ Family, We will miss the physical body that our uncle used while here but we can rest assured that he will "always" be in our hearts. Draw strength and be glad that there is no more pain and suffering for Uncle Gene and that he wouldn't take nothing for his journey now. Rejoice in knowing to be "absent in the body is to be present with the Lord".
Pamela (Thelma's daughter).

Pamela McMillian Thompson - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Sending my condolences to you and your family. Continue to be bless and stay strong.

Ann - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ I was introduced to elder Smith by his daughter Glenda Cross when I was employed at Saint Mary's Hospital in Saginaw. He was urbane, thoughtful, and at peace with himself. He was part of a generation whose charisma and likeness will never be seen again. I wish him Eternal Rest. We will miss him lots. We will remember him well.

Requiscat In Pace.

farley Coomber

Farley Coomber - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Glenda and family,

I am extremely sorry for your loss. Just know that your father has move his residence to a more comfortable place for him.

Be Blessed and comforted by our Lord,

The Anderson Family

Maria Anderson - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Our prayers are with you and the family.

Lewis Terrel Graham - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Our prayers are with you,
love Sharon and Joerardo Frazer

Sharon Frazer - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *God knew he was tired ,so he took him home to rest.I'll always remember the kind soft spoken man we called(uncle gene)*

Jacquelyn Smith Tyler - September 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM