

Acknowledgment

We deeply appreciate the support, kind words, and gestures we have received during this difficult time. Your compassion and thoughtfulness have provided great comfort and strength. Thank you for standing by us and helping us through our loss.

With heartfelt gratitude,

The Family



Professional Services Entrusted To

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IN LOVING MEMORY



Mary Lee Smithson

AUGUST 05, 1967- NOVEMBER 10, 2024

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23, 2024

WAKE:10:00AM SERVICE:10:30AM

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Her Story

Mary Lee Smithson, a beacon of love and faith, went to be with the Lord and entered eternal rest on November 10, 2024, at the age of 57 in her hometown of Baltimore, MD. Born on August 5, 1967, to the late Shirley Ore and John Smithson. Mary was a cherished soul who left a mark on everyone she met. Her battle with cancer demonstrated her strength and courage in facing life challenges with a smile.

She is preceded in death by her mother; Shirley Ore, father; John Smithson, sister; Ida Smithson, and nephew; Carlos Smithson. Mary obtained her education in Baltimore city public schools. She then went on to complete private security school and later joined management in the food industry.

Her unwavering faith in God was the cornerstone of her existence. Mary lived a life that embodied the teachings of her faith, spreading love and kindness at every opportunity. As it is said, "Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase," a quote by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. that encapsulated her approach to life's many uncertainties.

Mary's interests were simple yet profound. She found her greatest pleasure in the warmth of family gatherings, the joy of cooking, and the powerful moments of prayer, praise and worship. Her kitchen was the heart of her home, where she lovingly prepared meals that not only nourished the body but also the soul.

Mary was a sister, a confidante, and a friend to Curtis Henderson, Johnny Mae Smithson, the late Ida Smithson and Laverne Smithson. Her most cherished role, however, was that of a mother to her children, Dawnyah "Rock" Smithson, Sharnece "Pinky" Smithson, Krystal Ferguson, and bonus child Omar Ferguson from a previous marriage. Each of her children reflects her loving spirit, her resilience, and her thoughtful nature. Mary also leaves behind a host of cherished nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

Mary's departure from this world leaves a void that cannot be filled. However, the memories of her infectious laughter, her wise counsel, and her unwavering love remain a comforting presence. She taught us that each day is a gift, and to live a life full of grace and gratitude.

As we say goodbye to Mary Lee Smithson, we celebrate the life she led and the profound impact she made on so many.



**"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."
- 2 Timothy 4:7**

Order Of Service

Pastor Barry Mosby Presiding

Prayer

Bishop Randolph Corporal

Scripture

Deacon Riddick

Solo

First Lady Mosby

Reading of obituary

Tracy

2 Minute Remarks

Solo

Elder Kimberly Jones

Eulogy

Pastor Beverly Corporal



Momma You Made It

Momma you made it

Momma well done

The love you gave

Was just as sweet and bright

As God's shining sun

There's a lot of precious, sweet moments

I'll cherish forever

You're now in the house of the Lord

Where your soul will remain forever

I'll always remember to pray

The closer I am to God

I know that you won't be far away.

- Pinky