

## *A Word of Thanks*

The family of James Robert Aaron Smith would like to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, support, and prayers during this difficult time. Your love and compassion have brought us great comfort, and we are deeply grateful for your presence in our lives.

## *Pallbearers*

Aaron Smith – Joseph (Butch) Smith – Edward Thomas II  
Philip Smith

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Carl Clark – Marc Smith – Steve Duncan

## A SILENT TEAR

Just close your eyes and you will see  
All the memories that you have of me  
Just sit and relax and you will find  
I'm really still there inside your mind  
Don't cry for me now I'm gone  
For I am in the land of song  
There is no pain, there is no fear  
So dry away that silent tear  
Don't think of me in the dark and cold  
For here I am, no longer old  
I'm in that place that's filled with love  
Known to you all, as "up above"

—Author Unknown

To offer condolences to The Smith Family,  
visit [www.TheChapelofPeace.com](http://www.TheChapelofPeace.com)



In Loving Memory of  
*James Robert Aaron Smith*

May 28, 1925 - September 4, 2024

**Friday, September 13, 2024**

Visitation: 12:00pm Service: 1:00pm

Marlan J. Gary Funeral Home

**The Chapel of Peace Springfield**  
823 S Yellow Springs St., Springfield, OH 45506

## *Obituary*

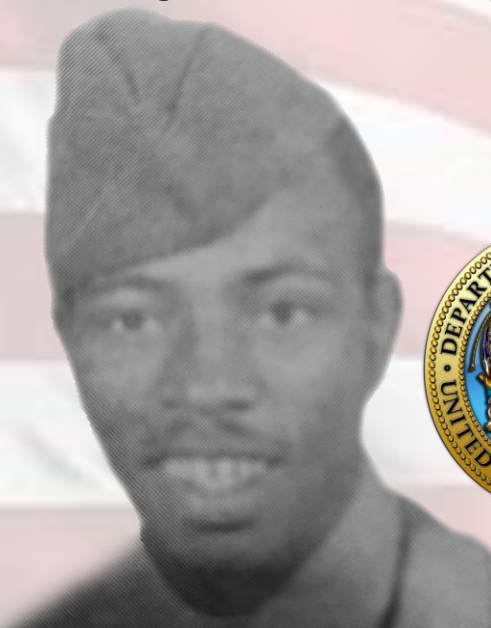
James Robert Smith, born May 28, 1925, to Helen and Columbus Smith, passed away peacefully on September 4, 2024, at the age of 99.

James served his country honorably in the Army during World War II. Following his military service, he worked for Navistar (International Harvester) and retired from the Springfield News-Sun after a long and dedicated career.

He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife of 79 years, Ella (Monteeth) Smith; and their three children, Eleanor (Cobb) Smith, Faith Jones, and Jerry Smith.

He is preceded in death by his daughter, Faith Jones; and son, Jerry Smith. James is also survived by several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and cousins, all of whom he cherished dearly.

He will be deeply missed but lovingly remembered by all who knew him, leaving behind a legacy of kindness, love, and unwavering devotion to his family.



## *Order of Service*

- ORGAN PRELUDE ..... Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
- PARTING VIEW ..... Immediate Family
- SCRIPTURE READINGS ..... Sheila Frierson, Niece  
OLD TESTAMENT ..... Psalms 23  
NEW TESTAMENT..... Micah 6:8
- PRAYER OF COMFORT..... Carl Clark, Nephew
- SELECTION ..... "Precious Lord"
- REMARKS .....(2 Minutes Please).....Family and Friends
- OBITUARY ..... Patricia Woods-Smith, Niece
- SELECTION ..... "Walk Around Heaven"
- EULOGY ..... Evangelist Tracie Brim
- BENEDICTION ..... Evangelist Tracie Brim
- RECESSIONAL..... Clergy, Family, and Friends

## *Entombment*

Ferncliff Cemetery