



## Arquinza Marie Smith

March 6, 1939 - November 26, 2018

Arquinza M. Thomas-Smith, (Lovingly nicknamed Boogie Woogie by our father because she was always singing and happy), was born on March 6, 1939 in Halifax County, Virginia. She was the fourth daughter of the late Dudley Thomas, Sr. and Mamie Jane Chaney-Thomas. Arquinza was preceded in death by two brothers, Dudley Thomas, Jr. and Michael Angelo Thomas; and two sisters, Mamie Lois Wilson and Irmia Olivia Thomas.

At an early age, Arquinza accepted Christ and joined the White Oak Grove Baptist Church in Sutherlin, Virginia. Also, she was educated at White Oak Grove Elementary and Mary Bethune High School. After graduating from High School in 1959, Arquinza moved to New York. While living in New York, she worked for Western Electric and Macy's for many years.

Arquinza met the late Reverend, Raymond Smith, Pastor of Coney Island Baptist Church in New York. They were married on October 23, 1979 in Brooklyn New York. There were no children born from this union. During their marriage Arquinza managed and kept the books for their business, Ray's Floor Scraping.

Arquinza always sang praise to God and instilled in her nieces and nephews to do the same when they stayed with her during summers. Her favorite line every Sunday morning and I mean every Sunday morning was "Rise and

shine, give God the glory."

Arquinza leaves to mourn and always cherish her loving memories, three brothers, Tyrone P. Thomas, Leo D. Thomas, and Tony L. Thomas of Baltimore, MD.; five sisters, Alease C. Thomas, Almnola C. Thomas-Hamm, Gloria E. Thomas, Eulaphine Thomas, all of Baltimore, MD. and Elaine Johns of Sutherlin, VA.; and a host of nieces, great nieces, nephews, great nephews, and other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## viewing

DEC 4. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
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## Wake

DEC 5. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

DEC 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Arquinza Marie Smith*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To the Smith family....Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss, our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. May your hearts be comforted by the promise of the resurrection. Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life. John:11:25.*

*Hill family*

**Hill Family** - December 01, 2018 at 09:51 AM



“ *To the Family,  
At a time like this, reflection on the promises of Almighty God is very comforting. Like the promise at Isaiah 25:8 to swallow up death forever. May these thoughts encourage you during your time of bereavement. Our condolences to you and your family.*

**Howard Family** - December 01, 2018 at 07:05 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

**March Funeral Homes** - November 27, 2018 at 05:22 PM