



Mrs. Bernette P. Smith

August 27, 1940 - February 26, 2026

Bernette Smith was born on August 27, 1940 to the late Ophelia Parker in Northampton County, Virginia. She passed from this life on February 26, 2026 at Gilchrist Hospice in Towson, Maryland.

After graduating from the Northampton school system, she worked in administrative positions throughout the district. Years later, she moved to Maryland and worked for Western Electric until the plant closed down. Afterwards, she began working for the NSA at Fort Meade until her retirement.

In 1973, Bernette was wed to Arthur Smith Jr. and their marriage produced two children.

Bernette was a long-standing member of Mount Ararat and had been a member of the church community for over 50 years. She regularly participated in church events and enjoyed attending social activities with her fellow members.

Bernette loved gospel music, jazz, and rhythm and blues. She enjoyed watching light-hearted and comedic movies in her spare time. After moving to Baltimore, she also enjoyed going back to Virginia to visit her grandparents while they lived there.

Bernette possessed a strong work ethic and imparted life lessons to others so that they could learn the value of hard work and dedication. She did her best to help to nurture these traits in younger people throughout her life and hoped that they would in turn, teach them to others and to their own children one day.

She gave freely to many charities and supported those in need whenever she could. Bernette was a loving wife and mother who was always very giving with her time and a true friend to those that knew her well.

She will be sincerely missed by everyone that knew her.

Bernette is survived by her two sons Derek and Michael, nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

Cemetery Details

Loudon Park Cemetery .

3620 Wilkens Avenue
Balto, MD 21229

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (est)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Wake Service

MAR 13. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (est)

Mt. Ararat Baptist Church
3008 Gwynn Falls Pkwy
Balto., MD 21216

Celebration of Life

MAR 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Our thoughts and prayers extend to all of you who are faced with the displeasure of losing a loved one to our worst enemy called Death, in these critical situations it's normal to feel helpless not knowing where to turn. However, our heavenly creator has assured us in HEB: 6/11 that it is impossible for him to ever forget us, He also stated in John:5/28/29 that all those in the memorial tombs will here is voice and come out, So GOD is given us all his promise of hope of us being together once again. Meanwhile we can give our thanks to the funeral directors: for their perfectional assistance and their heartfelt concern toward the unfortunate friends and families; THANKS.

Joseph Jones - February 28 at 11:50 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.

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