



James "Slim" Smith, Jr.

September 23, 1955 - March 9, 2024

Legacy of Love

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you.

I go to prepare a place for you. John 14.2 (KJV)

James Thomas Smith, Jr., "Jimmy", better known as "Slim", was born on September 23, 1955. He was the eldest of his siblings born to the late James Smith, Sr. and to Edmonia Smith, of Henrico, Virginia.

At a young age, he gave his life to Christ and was baptized at First Union Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia. Jimmy matriculated through Richmond Public Schools and graduated from the Maggie L. Walker High School, class of 1973. He later pursued a career as a mail carrier, retiring after 30 years from the United States Postal Service.

As a young man, it was evident that Jimmy was a gifted singer! He carried a vocal range from the deepest bass to the highest soprano. Jimmy's singing talent was highly sought after, and he was a vital member of various singing groups, including "Star Material", "The Jarmels", and "NYCE". While he could beautifully sing background, when singing the lead, his ability was effortless as he hit every note with precision!

One of Jimmy's favorite pastimes was playing pool. Over the years, and especially in his retirement, he honed his skills and became a very passionate player. Upon entering various pool tournaments, he obtained several trophies as a result of his refined abilities with this game. Another favorite of Jimmy's was a relaxing weekend of fishing. He and his friends enjoyed spending time reminiscing on fond memories, all while patiently waiting to pull in "the big one" on the end of the fishing line! All who knew Jimmy would describe him as a very likable man who enjoyed debating and challenging individuals to think in ways they may not have before.

Jimmy departed this life, entering eternal reward, on March 9, 2024, upon battling a bout of illness. He leaves to cherish his memory, his mother, Edmonia Smith; son, Jarrell Williams; grandchildren, Rozay Williams, Jionni Martin, Juelz Martin, and Jarrell Williams Martin Jr.; siblings, Raymond Smith (Brenda), David Smith, and Jacqueline Webb; his maternal aunt, Mary Houchens (Moses); his partner, Cherri Reams; nephews, a host of cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Washington Memorial Park

6217 Memorial Dr.
Sandston, VA 23150

Previous Events

Celebration of life with live streaming

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - March 20, 2024 at 10:45 AM



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Funeral for James "Slim" Smith, Jr., Please Click the Link below. in memory of James "Slim" Smith, Jr.*



March Funeral Homes - March 19, 2024 at 01:02 PM

JF

“ *Jimi Minor and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James "Slim" Smith, Jr..*



Jimi Minor and family - March 18, 2024 at 12:33 PM

JF

“ *Jimi Minor and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Slim" Smith, Jr..*

Jimi Minor and family - March 18, 2024 at 12:33 PM

WH

“ *My Condolences to the Family. The brother will be singing up there.*

Warren harris - March 17, 2024 at 03:43 PM

JS

“ *Jardane Smith
To the family of James Smith (slim). I would like to extend my deepest sympathy on the loss of your loved one. May the Creator give you comfort and strength at this time of sorrow.*

Jardane Smith - March 16, 2024 at 11:41 PM

GW

“ *To the Smith Family,
I would like to Express my Condolences to your family for your loss.
May God Bless you all.*

Geraldine Brown Winston - March 16, 2024 at 02:10 PM

MH

“ *Condolences and sympathy to the family of our brother, James Siim Smith, to be absent from the body is to present with the Lord, Rest in peace my brother and We'll done...*

Michael Eugene Hughes - March 15, 2024 at 06:43 PM

VM

“ *Verna Matthews lit a candle in memory of
James "Slim" Smith, Jr.*



Verna Matthews - March 15, 2024 at 10:58 AM

VM

Sending healing prayers to the family .I ask God to wrap his arms around you all . My heart is also 💔 he was one of my brother's , We all love him . Rest in peace 🙏

Verna Matthews - March 15, 2024 at 11:03 AM

GI

Our deepest Sympathy to the Family

Gilbert Ingram - March 15, 2024 at 01:54 PM

SD

“ James " Slim" Smith my friend it was a honor and privilege to have been a part of your life, sharing the best times and you being a part of mine, you will always be with me from day 1 until we meet again, never will I forget you & the inspiration you gave me when the time came to play the game we so much love. We have a Pact that will always live, Give them Nothing & Take Everything. R.I.P my Friend & Lead Gods Choir. (Shorty Davis) 🙏 My Deepest Condolences To Your Family.

Shorty Davus - March 15, 2024 at 12:45 AM

M1

“ The Maggie L. Walker Class of 1973 wish to extend our deepest sympathy in the passing of our classmate James (Jimmy) Smith. We offer prayers for comfort to the family and friends at this difficult time.

Maggie L. Walker Class of 1973 - March 14, 2024 at 07:56 PM

C-

“ My deepest sympathy and condolences to the family.

Cynthia Brown -Wilkins - March 14, 2024 at 07:47 PM



“ 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 - March 14, 2024 at 10:40 AM

CV

My condolences to the family of Jimmy Smith. I worked with Jimmy (Slim) at the West End Post office for several years. He was a pleasure to work with and I will always remember his work and appreciation to his job and his fellow workers.

Carmen I Villarreal - March 20, 2024 at 12:19 PM