



Joe William Smith

February 6, 1946 - November 30, 2024

Joseph William Smith, affectionately known as Joe, Smitty, and the Godfather, was born on February 6, 1946 in Goochland Virginia. His family was by his side as he departed this life on November 30, 2024. Preceding in his death were loving parents: Henry and Lucille Bryce.

Joe attended Goochland Public Schools and ended up moving to Richmond where he worked for Phillip Morris and then went on to work for C.E. Butner & Son for many years until he retired. He was responsible for installing kitchen fire suppression and portable fire extinguisher needs throughout Central Virginia. During his early years, Joe was a member of the Regular's Club and was also a part of the Regular's softball team. A man who enjoyed life to the fullest, Joe found joy in the great outdoors, particularly during hunting season, an activity that allowed him to connect with nature and create lasting bonds with his friends who were known as the "hunting club". He was also known for hosting parties and fish fry gatherings for family and friends and if anyone ever needed anything, they could always call on Joe.

Joe is survived by the mother of his children, Earlene Smith, his beloved daughter Jovia Bailey (Parrish, Sr.), and son Jaron Smith (Shavonne), four grandchildren, Darien Smith, Parrish Bailey, Jr., Jarrell Smith, Saniyah Smith, great granddaughter Kai'aime Smith and Godson Keith Carpenter. Joe also leaves behind his loving sisters, Halle White and Ruby Tate, along with

nieces, nephews, a host of cousins, with one devoted Nelson Daniels, who were touched by his warmth and kindness. A special recognition is reserved for his partner and caregiver, Daphne Robinson, who stood by him as his health started to decline.

Joe lived a life full of laughter and cherished memories. His legacy of love, resilience, and joy will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew him. He will be deeply missed but fondly remembered for all of the good times that he brought into the lives of others. A celebration of his life will be held at March Funeral Home, 2110 E. Laburnum Ave. on Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 2:00 p.m., where family and friends can gather to honor his memory.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - December 14, 2024 at 02:07 PM



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Joe William Smith*



March Funeral Homes - December 06, 2024 at 03:44 PM



“ *DeAngelo Robinson purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Joe William Smith.*



DeAngelo Robinson - December 12, 2024 at 06:19 PM



“ *DeAngelo Robinson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe William Smith.*

DeAngelo Robinson - December 12, 2024 at 06:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joe William Smith.*



December 11, 2024 at 02:46 PM



“ *With love The Wilson family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joe William Smith.*



With love The Wilson family - December 08, 2024 at 08:23 PM



“ *With love The Wilson family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joe William Smith.*

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“ *For Earlene, Jovia and Jaron Be Blessed in the truth that the Pain and Suffering has stopped; and the loving ,kind, and joyous man we all knew is at rest- Corliss W*

Corliss Williams - December 06, 2024 at 09:23 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 - December 05, 2024 at 03:56 PM

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To Earlene, Jovia and Jaron know that the Terry Family will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers in the loss of your loved one. - Dorothy Terry Harrison.

Dorothy T. Harrison - December 13, 2024 at 08:10 AM