



## John Linwood Smith

October 22, 1932 - May 2, 2009

John Linwood Smith, the oldest son of the late Deacon James B. and Annie B. Smith, was born October 22, 1932 in Greensville County, Virginia. John, affectionately called "Baby Dear", was educated in Greensville County Public Schools. At an early age he joined the Little Shiloh Baptist Church in Emporia, Virginia under the leadership of the late Rev. Dr. A.C. Matthews. Baby Dear began his work career in Emporia, Virginia. Later, he moved to Baltimore, Maryland where he worked on various jobs; lastly, he National Plastics Company in Odenton, Maryland from which he retired in 1995. He married the love of his life, Grace Brown, in 1969. From this union they had two daughters, Mary and Joyce Ann (who preceded him in death). Baby Dear enjoyed life. He did exactly what he wanted to do whether other liked it or not. He will be remembered for his passion for cars, his laughter and great love of children. After a brief illness, John slipped quietly into eternal rest on Saturday, May 2, 2009 at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. He leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved wife, Grace; a son, Larry Smith (Mary) of New York; a daughter, Mary Martin (Edward) of Baltimore, MD; three grandchildren, Shantell, Tanisha and Tamara; four great grandchildren, Kyle, Brandon, Tanika and Donald; a sister, Ella Louise Witherspoon of Columbia, MD; two brothers, James E. Smith (Shirley) of Baltimore, MD and George B. Smith (Frances) of Jarratt, VA; four sisters-in-law, Betty Clark (Lee) of Carson, VA, Thelma McLeod and Ann Price of New Jersey, and Linda Baker of Ohio; three brothers-in-law, Paul Jackson (Glendora) of Emporia, VA, Cephas

Jackson of Carson, VA and Carlton Jackson of New Jersey; five nephews,  
fives nieces and a host of other relatives and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Linwood Smith*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To the Family, Please accept my condolences. May you find comfort in the hope of the resurrection at John 11:38-44. Jesus demonstrated this by resurrecting his friend Lazarus. This show us the hope that our loved ones have when they fall asleep in death. May this comfort and strengthen you during this time.##imported-begin##Mrs. Howard##imported-end##*

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“ *mr. jimmie, my prayers and condolences are with you and your family.may god comfort you in your time of sorrow##imported-begin##everlena##imported-end##*

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“ *Sorry, I wasn't able to make it to the funeral. May God continue to bless you during your time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Teresa Parham##imported-end##*

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