



## John Wesley Smith

February 13, 1923 - February 17, 2020

John Wesley Smith heard the call to come home to the King of kings and Lord of lords. He took his rightful place, paid in full by the blood of Jesus Christ, among the congregation of the righteous on Monday, February 17, 2020 at 12:57 a.m.

Born in Richmond, Virginia on February 13, 1923, John Wesley Smith was the first-born son of the late Isaiah and Eva (Canady) Smith who brought forth Ruby V. Smith, Alease Alston (deceased), Edward Smith (deceased), Eva Bowers (deceased) and Paul B. Smith.

John Wesley Smith grew up during the era of the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, the ratification of the 19th, 20th, and 21st amendments to the Constitution and the beginning of World War II. He proudly served in the army of the United States of America as a soldier who served in the Normandy, Northern France campaigns. After the war, he settled down as a civilian and married the love of his life, Mozelle S. Smith who was his wife for 63 years until her passing into the heavenlies. Through the marital union of John and Mozelle Smith, three generations have been produced thus far.

By way of John Wesley Smith's actions, he demonstrated how to overcome the difficulties of life. He was a man of diligence, integrity, humility and exemplary character. Because of his faith and walk with the Lord Jesus Christ,

his family was blessed and reaped the benefits of the promises of God pertaining to the children of the righteous such as stated in Psalm 37:25, Proverbs 20:7, Proverbs 14:26, and Psalm 102:28.

John Wesley Smith is survived by three devoted children: Curtis W. Smith, Gregory W. Smith, and Althea W. (Smith) Owirodu; five grandchildren, 3 great grandsons, a host of nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 21. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Family Hour

FEB 21. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life

FEB 24. 12:00 PM (ET)

Fourth Baptist Church  
2800 P Street  
Richmond, VA 23223



# Tribute Wall



“ *John Wesley Smith*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Wesley Smith.*



February 20, 2020 at 12:02 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** - February 18, 2020 at 12:34 PM

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