



William Leon Smoot

December 25, 1931 - January 3, 2013

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” — John 3:16 WILLIAM LEON SMOOT, the first born child of the late Rosetta Sarah and William Ignatius Smoot entered this life on Christmas Day, December 25, 1931 in Baltimore, Maryland. He was affectionately known as “Sonny” to his friends and family. God saw the road was getting rough and the hills were hard to climb, and He called Sonny home to be with Him on Thursday, January 3, 2013 at 11:07 p.m.

Sonny received his formal education in the Baltimore City Public School System. As recently as 2010 he was taking computer courses where he excelled in his studies. He was employed with the Railroad for a number of years, but retired from the Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC) after twenty-two years of service. He was later employed at the Paca House as a Receptionist until his illness. Sonny was a faithful Catholic since childhood and made St. Francis Xavier his church home. In later years due to health issues he worshiped at his family church, New Covenant Tabernacle. He loved to study the Word of God and read his Bible every night. He loved the Psalms and the books of Samuel. He also loved Bible Trivia amazing us with his knowledge of the Bible.

Sonny was a strong man with strong morals, values and self pride. He was very wise and a keen discerner of people and personalities. Sonny was a faithful family man and friend. At family gatherings he insisted that the turkey not be carved until he arrived since he was the “Elder” in the family. He insisted on making his brother-in-law a “Made Man” and named him Tommy Yudo. In return he earned the title of “Santini” which he cherished. He loved old movies and westerns and had a collection that would rival the best of them. He was a movie buff and historian. You could ask him any question about a movie and he could tell you the name of the movie, date it was made and all the Actors who starred in it.

Strength, Wisdom and no-nonsense are characteristics that best describe Sonny. He was an ardent President Obama fan and even though he was frail and not well, he made sure he got out to cast his vote. He was a good cook and made the best meals and even up to his last days he was still cooking and taking care of himself. Many will remember him for his sharp dress, his hats, shoes, matching ties and handkerchiefs. He would, however, much rather be remembered as a man who shed his earthly clothes and accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. Sonny went home to the Lord clothed in righteousness as a new and transformed man.

Sonny leaves to cherish his memory: his only son, Anthony Leon Smoot; granddaughter, Natasha Smoot; great-grandson, Da’Sauni Richardson; a devoted sister, Rosalind Schwind; devoted brother-in-law, Rev. Thomas R. Schwind; brother, Norman “Butchie” Wilson; sister-in-law, Vanessa Wilson; aunt, Carolyn Melvin; a faithful cousin, Rhonda Whitehead; faithful friends, Vernon Wright, Ronald Carroll, Calvin Flemming and Charles Roc Dutton; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and life-long friends. Three brothers preceded him in death, Charles and James Smoot and Glenn Wilson

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill

5829 Ritchie Highway
Brooklyn, MD 21230

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 11. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

JAN 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

JAN 12. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

New Covenant Tabernacle
3517 Harford Road
Baltimore, MD

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *William Leon Smoot*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My heartfelt condolences goes out to you all in such a bitter-sweet time like this. Even though he is physically absent from us, he is STILL putting smiles on our faces and giving us something to laugh at. "Pops" as I called him had made such an impression on me within the short time I knew him, he will never be forgotten. He was warm, lovable and caring and for the many lives he touched, he will always be "Our Sunshine".*



Gail Taitt - January 11, 2013 at 10:49 AM



“ *Dear family,
I am so sorry about your loss. I know this is a difficult time for you. I wanted to give you some comfort from the Bible. A lot of people want to know if there is any hope for their dead loved ones. The Bible teaches us that most people who have died will be resurrected. Jesus promised us in John 5:28,29*

Delores Allen - January 09, 2013 at 08:03 AM

KP

“ I am so sorry for your lost. Losing a loved one is never easy. Jehovah God promises to do away with our suffering soon. In the bible at Revelation 21:4, it says "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away." How comforting it is to know what Jehovah will do for us all. I encourage you and your family to read this scripture along with your own copy of the bible. I hope this helps during your time of need.

K. Phipps - January 07, 2013 at 11:32 AM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 4yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!

Ms Springer - January 06, 2013 at 07:04 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 - January 04, 2013 at 05:05 PM