



Willie Edward Smith , Sr.

May 30, 1932 - February 19, 2016

Mr. Willie Edward Smith, Sr. of Gates, NC departed this Earthly life on Friday, February 19, 2016 at his residence. He was born to the late Gilbert Smith and Bernice Sears Smith in Gates, NC.

He was a retired Fork Lift Driver for Planters Peanut and a member of First Baptist Church Gates.

Willie leaves to cherish fond memories: his devoted wife, Maude Howell Smith of the home; (1) son, Willie Edward Smith, Jr. (Shaneice) of Greenville, NC; (2) daughters, Cynthia Smith Perry (Ricky) of Sunbury, NC and Sandra E. Smith of Chesapeake, VA; (2) grandchildren; (2) great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **24**. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Hunter's Funeral Home - Gates
701 Hwy 158 West
Gates, NC 27937
(252) 357-3130
<https://www.huntersfuneralhome.com>

Service

FEB **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Gates
80 Gates Bank Rd
Gates, NC 27937

Tribute Wall



“ Hunter's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Hunter's Funeral Home - February 26, 2016 at 03:17 PM



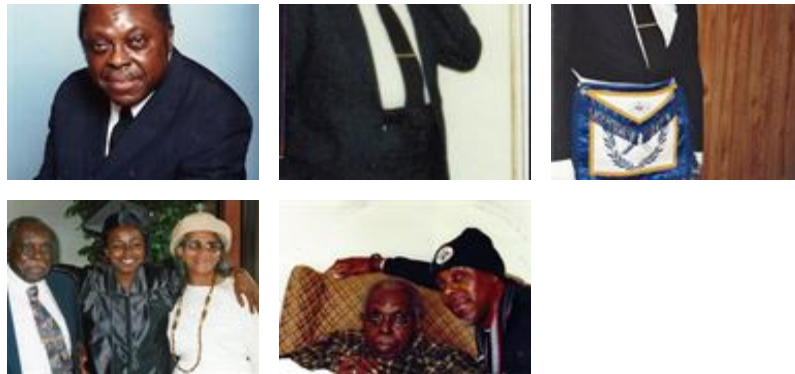
“ Anthony Wilson lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Anthony Wilson - February 26, 2016 at 04:05 PM



“ 31 files added to the album LifeTributes



Hunter's Funeral Home - February 24, 2016 at 03:17 PM

LC

“ Lisa Taylor Cross lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Lisa Taylor Cross - February 24, 2016 at 10:43 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Willie Edward Smith , Sr..



February 23, 2016 at 06:57 PM

CL

“ Cliff, Ella, Lamont & Kevin Langston lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Cliff, Ella, Lamont & Kevin Langston - February 23, 2016 at 06:51 PM

CL

“ Cliff, Ella, Lamont & Kevin Langston lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Cliff, Ella, Lamont & Kevin Langston - February 23, 2016 at 06:49 PM

PH

“ Willie, I am sorry to hear of your father's passing. I pray for peace and comfort at this time of sorrow for you and your family. Remember all the beautiful memories.

Patsy Hall, USPS

Patsy Hall - February 23, 2016 at 06:33 PM

SM

“ Shirlean Walton McCaskill

Shirlean Walton McCaskill - February 23, 2016 at 04:10 PM

MW

Sorry for your loss you and your family are in my prayers

Marilyn Williams - February 23, 2016 at 05:30 PM

DT

“ DHG HR Solutions Team purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Willie Edward Smith , Sr..



DHG HR Solutions Team - February 23, 2016 at 03:33 PM

LH

“ Lashoon & Patricia Hughes lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Lashoon & Patricia Hughes - February 23, 2016 at 02:23 PM

AH

“ *Alisha Hawk lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Alisha Hawk - February 23, 2016 at 12:50 PM

KB

“ *Kevin & Schardi Beasley lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Kevin & Schardi Beasley - February 23, 2016 at 12:48 PM

PW

“ *Paula Walker lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Paula Walker - February 23, 2016 at 11:04 AM

RB

“ *Robin H. Boone lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Robin H. Boone - February 23, 2016 at 11:02 AM

CB

“ Clayton Boone lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Clayton Boone - February 22, 2016 at 05:22 PM

LR

“ Lola Rountree lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Lola Rountree - February 22, 2016 at 02:24 PM

DB

“ Dorothy Beamon sent a virtual gift in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Dorothy beamon - February 22, 2016 at 11:25 AM

DB

“ Dorothy Beamon lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.



Dorothy beamon - February 22, 2016 at 11:25 AM

DW

“ *Daphne Walker lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Daphne Walker - February 22, 2016 at 10:44 AM

SH

“ *Sandy Holley lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



sandy holley - February 22, 2016 at 09:34 AM

VJ

“ *Vanessa Harrison Johnson lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Vanessa Harrison Johnson - February 22, 2016 at 07:11 AM

RS

“ *Ricky Perry Sr. lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Ricky Perry Sr. - February 22, 2016 at 05:50 AM

RS

This man is my Father-In-Law. Funny how when the Lord calls your natural Father home and you think your world has ended. Then God turns your attention to another man that bare that same father like image as your natural father. That's how I saw Mr. Willie E. Smith Sr. Not only was he my father-In-Law, but he was my friend and my STRONG TOWER to lean on. I know I'm not his natural son, but he made me feel as such by the way he treated me. As I called him, ""POP"", that was how I saw him from day one. Pop continued where my Daddy left off when he was called home. Pop, taught me more about how to be a man. How to be a better husband to my wife (his daughter). He shared with me the ups and downs in marriage. Showed me the ways of being a good father to my children. Taught me to always make sure my wife has the better car to drive so she want brake down. He said it's not good for a woman to be broke down on the roadways and some man come along and do her wrong. We laughed much and he would laugh so hard that he would shed tears. POP was and still is an inspiration to me. Physically he's gone, but spiritually he will always be on my mind and in my life. I LOVED this man like a son would his Father. That's just how close of a relationship we shared. Yes, I will miss him, but he will always be a part of me that will never leave my spirit. Love You ""POP""...

Ricky Perry Sr. - February 22, 2016 at 06:07 AM

WR

Sorry to hear of the loss of my Father .I pray that God will Keep the Family in perfect peach his son Willie Edward Rountree from Va beach Va

Willie Edward Rountree - February 23, 2016 at 04:58 AM

DB

“ *Deloris Branch lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Deloris Branch - February 21, 2016 at 11:11 PM

BR

“ *Betsy Riddick lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



betsy riddick - February 21, 2016 at 07:03 PM

SE

“ *Selena D. Eason lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Selena D. Eason - February 21, 2016 at 07:07 AM

DR

“ *Devonda Roscoe sent a virtual gift in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Devonda Roscoe - February 20, 2016 at 09:30 PM

RW

“ *Reginald Williams lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Reginald Williams - February 20, 2016 at 06:27 PM

SM

“ *Sarah Montague lit a candle in memory of Willie Edward Smith , Sr.*



Sarah Montague - February 20, 2016 at 03:55 PM