



Frank Paul Smith Jr.

October 10, 1957 - July 9, 2025

SMITH, JR., Mr. Frank "J.R." - age 67, passed away Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at Trinity Health in Pontiac, Michigan. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday, July 19, 2025 at Welcome Missionary Baptist Church, 143 Oneida Street, with funeral commencing immediately at 11:00AM. Pastor Douglas P. Jones, Officiating. Friends and family will assemble 10:30AM at the church Saturday. Mr. Smith will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 North Perry Street, and may be viewed between the hours of 12:00PM - 6:00PM Friday.

Mr. Smith leaves to cherish his memory: his wife of thirty-three years, Geraldine Smith; children, Jarvis (Alcia) Freeman and Lanelle Freeman; grandchildren, Kyaszia Styles, Jaydin (Nandi) Freeman and Alaya Freeman; bonus grandchild, De'Angelo Samples; great-grandchild, Kylie Styles-Rosario; bonus mother, Kathy Harada; siblings, Barbara (Todd) Sampson, Angela Smith, Frederick (Lydia Robinson) Smith, Dennis Smith, Lennell Smith, Dorris (Benjamin) Chipi, Torianne Smith and Floyd (Charlotte) Smith; sister-in-law, Cassandra Smith; bonus nephew, Will Dinkins; bonus sisters-in-law, Connie Joyner and Angela Veal; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends including special friend, Kathy McGee.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his parents, Frank Smith, Sr. and Etta Pearl Smith; and brothers, Kenneth and Kenderick Smith.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 18. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Pontiac
268 North Perry Street
Pontiac, MI 48342
(248) 758-1913
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<https://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhomepontiac.com>

Family Hour

JUL 19. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Welcome Missionary Baptist Church
143 Oneida St
Pontiac, MI 48341-1626
(248) 335-8740


Funeral Service

JUL 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CM

“ *My sincere condolences. I will miss you Cuz. May you rest in peace.* 

Cassandra Cotton Moss - July 19, 2025 at 01:46 PM

SH

“ *We are going to miss you at the family reunions with your competitive self from softball to bowling. It was a funny jokes.*

Sylvia Holmes - July 19, 2025 at 11:55 AM

BR

“ *Barbara RogersLandry lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.*



Barbara RogersLandry - July 19, 2025 at 10:47 AM

TF

“ *Frank you will be truly truly missed. Your passing has left a hole in many many hearts. You will never be forgotten but always remembered for your loving and kind heart. Rest In Peace.*

Love Always The Holmes & McCoy Family

The Holmes & McCoy Family - July 17, 2025 at 09:30 PM

RB

“ RUTH BROOKS lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



RUTH BROOKS - July 17, 2025 at 08:46 PM

ST

“ My condolences and prayers to Deaconess Smith and the family.



Shantay Triplett - July 17, 2025 at 07:19 PM

PS

“ Frank had such a positive spirit and friendly personality. Rest easy Frank.



Patrick Saunders - July 16, 2025 at 07:13 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Paul Smith Jr..



July 16, 2025 at 01:43 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank Paul Smith Jr..

July 16, 2025 at 01:43 PM



“ Deborah Banetta Bilbo lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Deborah Banetta Bilbo - July 16, 2025 at 11:17 AM



“ Frank aka Squeeze, as you join your sands Bro. Dennis Stone (Sly) in Blue Phi spirit in Heaven. Blessings to you and your family. In Sigma love, Your sands Bro. Michael (Greek) Dangerfield



Michael Dangerfield - July 16, 2025 at 06:55 AM



“ Such a kind spirit. Captain Smith you will be missed dearly. I'm grateful to have known you. This is not goodbye, but it's a see you later. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Love you Cap. Latrice (WSUPD201)

Latrice Ratliff - July 16, 2025 at 06:48 AM

NC

“ Norma Carter lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Norma Carter - July 15, 2025 at 06:22 PM

NC

“ Deacon Smith was our Wednesday 12 noon Bible Class teacher. His teaching was with humor and truth from the words of the Holy Bible. He always left you with a thought to ponder on in your heart. Jerri I hope you find peace in your heart knowing he is in the comforting hands of the Lord. Praying for you.....Norma Carter

Norma Carter - July 15, 2025 at 06:19 PM

WD

“ Wayne State Police Department planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frank Paul Smith Jr..

Wayne State Police Department - July 15, 2025 at 05:04 PM

WD

“ Wayne State Police Department purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of Frank Paul Smith Jr..



Wayne State Police Department - July 15, 2025 at 05:04 PM

F“

“ From LaTonya Carroll “Doc” purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Frank Paul Smith Jr..



From LaTonya Carroll “Doc” - July 15, 2025 at 04:56 PM

BA

“ Brenda, Lee, and Charles(Birmingham, AL) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Frank Paul Smith Jr..



Brenda, Lee, and Charles(Birmingham, AL) - July 15, 2025 at 03:28 PM

CC

“ Cornelia Carter lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Cornelia Carter - July 15, 2025 at 03:12 PM

SS

“ Selina Spears lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Selina Spears - July 14, 2025 at 09:33 PM

CS

“ Rest in peace Bro. Smith. You join your sands Bro. Stone in Blue Phi spirit in Heaven. Blessings to you and your family. In Sigma love, Bro. Craig Stanley, Zeta Delta Chapter Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. ☐💙👉



Craig Dewey Stanley - July 14, 2025 at 09:25 PM

DZ

“ Captain Smith was a wonderful man, father husband and supervisor. He cared for those who worked for him and always showed respect towards them. He will truly be missed.

David farrad Zarrieff - July 14, 2025 at 11:50 AM

HF

“ Herb And Shawanna Fletcher & Family lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Herb and Shawanna Fletcher & Family - July 14, 2025 at 11:38 AM

MD

“ Michael & Lorraine Dangerfield purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Frank Paul Smith Jr..



Michael & Lorraine Dangerfield - July 14, 2025 at 08:29 AM

BR

“ *Barbara RogersLandry lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.*



Barbara RogersLandry - July 13, 2025 at 06:29 PM



“ *Uncle Frank,
We were truly blessed to have you as part of our family. You had a great smile that could light up a room. No matter anytime I seen you no matter how longer it's been you treated me just like I seen you yesterday. Always welcomed us with open arms and we thank you for thank. We will miss you but glad you are finally at peace. Until we meet again.*



Celia Diaz - July 13, 2025 at 12:58 AM

MM

“ *Myra Milton lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.*



Myra Milton - July 12, 2025 at 10:49 PM

CJ

“ Cheryl Jackson lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Cheryl Jackson - July 12, 2025 at 10:43 PM

TR

“ Teresa Roberson lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Teresa Roberson - July 12, 2025 at 09:42 PM

CB

“ You are now in good hands with the Lord my brother. I will forever be my brother's keeper, and Frat Brother! God will continue to bless and look after your family, while you are just a pray away.
Chuck D (Man of God).

Chuck Brown - July 12, 2025 at 07:42 PM

CJ

“ Connie Joyner lit a candle in memory of Frank Paul Smith Jr.



Connie Joyner - July 12, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank Paul Smith Jr..

July 12, 2025 at 11:37 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Paul Smith Jr..



July 12, 2025 at 11:37 AM



“ Hello Family,

Know that your Chicago area family is praying for all of you. Junior was always the life of the party. We will miss him at the reunions. 🙏
🙏🙏🙏. May God bless you all and give you peace.

Sonja Cotton - July 12, 2025 at 09:55 AM

EB

“ To The Family

So very sorry about Deacon Smith. He was a great person and a God fearing man. He will truly be missed. Praying for the Family 🙏🙏

🙏, keep the memories close at heart. Our Deepest Condolences and Heartfelt Sympathy 🌸 .

Love,

Ken & Ernestine Bush



Ernestine Bush - July 11, 2025 at 08:02 PM

JC

Rev James d cotton want to say the wife and family that my prayers going up for you all and us in the home going for Frank will miss him but we all will be going one day.stay with God .

James Cotton - July 12, 2025 at 12:24 PM

EH

Frank, the Phi Beta Sigma Dean of Pro for the line Six Deep, Zeta Delta Chapter at Western Michigan University. From the first time we meet at WMU's bowling alley to being our Dean of Pro to driving that big house on wheels up and down I94 to showing your passion when stepping to setting the standard of true Sigma brotherhood to dancing like there was no tomorrow to always having my back to letting me stay with you during my last semester before graduating to taking my calls when asking for advice about the police department for my son to the last time we saw each other at the Conclave in Detroit. You have consistently been honest, sincere, helpful and a true Phi Beta Sigma Man. I am sure a lot of people will miss you here on earth and now they will have a super angel looking out for them. May you rest in peace in heaven. Sincerely, Elliott Holmes

Elliott Holmes - July 15, 2025 at 12:43 AM

G.

Knew Frank for longer than the 25 years I have worked at Wayne State, and by golly talk about a guy who could light up a room just by walking in. Love you brother, and am sure going to miss you. Until we meet again....

G.V. - July 15, 2025 at 01:41 PM

DG

Your candle could light up a dark room. Now we look upward to Heaven. "Blue skies white stars. Reach for 'em" Save some room on the dance floor for us when we get there, Praising our Savior all the day long...

David Goolsby - September 12, 2025 at 04:27 AM