



## Jessie Smith

September 1, 1922 - February 26, 2012

SMITH, Mrs. Jessie Mae "Aunt Jessie" - Age 89, passed away peacefully Sunday February 26, 2012 at her residence. Family hour 10:30AM Saturday March 3, 2012 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 268 N. Perry St., with funeral service commencing immediately at 11AM. Pastor Diane Beverly, officiating. Interment Perry Mount Park Cemetery, 878 N. Perry St. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the funeral home 10:30AM Saturday. Mrs. Smith will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 8AM-11AM Saturday. Mrs. Jessie Mae "Aunt Jessie" Smith was born on September 1, 1922 in Clifton, Tennessee, the daughter of the late Carl Churchwell and Tommie Clemons. Jessie was a kind and loving woman, who adored children. She was known for giving to others and having a big heart. Jessie confessed Christ at a early age, and truly loved the Lord. She was a retiree of General Motors Truck and Bus. She was a resident of the city of Pontiac for over seventy-two years. She was a faithful member of the UAW union, Elks Lodge and Bowen Senior Center for many years. Jessie spent her extra time cooking, sewing, shopping and helping raise many children. Mrs. Smith leaves to cherish her memory: two aunts, Georgia Clemons and Jo Hazel Clemons of Terre Haute, IN; two nieces, Olivia Johnson and Annetta Churchwell; four nephews, Carlton Clemons, David Churchwell, Joseph Churchwell, Norman White; two great-nieces/daughters, Shalanni Burkett and Jacquelyn McNary; godchildren, Cirricka Weary, Victoria Prieto, Darren Lumpkin Jr., Vera Streeter,

Yolundia Louris; and a host of great nieces and nephews and other family and friends including beloved godsister, Nancy Louris; special friends, Ella Jones, Emma Laster and Elouise. Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by her sister, Willa Mae Churchwell; niece, Sandra Churchwell-White. The family would like to express special thanks to her caregiver, Vera Streeter; Mercy Hospice, Michigan Hematology Oncology P.C., St. Joseph Mercy-Oakland Hospital; and many friends and family.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Bible assures us: "Jehovah is near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves"(psalms 34:18). Yes, more than anything else,a relationship with god can help you cope with the death of someone you love. Do not underestimate the value of prayer. The bible urges us: Throw your burden upon Jehovah himself, and he himself will sustain you" (psalm55:22). If talking out your feelings with a sympathetic friend can help,how much more will pouring out your heart to " the God of all comfort" help you.(2 corinthians 1:3)*

*It is not that prayer simply makes us feel better. The "Hearer of Prayer" promise to give holy spirit to his servants who sincerely ask for it.(psalm65:2; Luke 11:13) And Gods holy spirit, or active force, can equip you with "power beyond what is normal" to go from one day to the next.(2corinthians 4:7) Remember: God can help his faithful servants to endure any and every problem they may face.*

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**Teri Morgan** - February 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM