

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls, love, and support during this difficult time. You are appreciated.

Remember Me

Speak of me as you have always done.
Remember the good times, laughter, and fun.
Share the happy memories we've made.
Do not let them wither or fade.

I'll be with you in the summer's sun
And when the winter's chill has come.
I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze.
I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.

I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep,
But memories we've shared are yours to keep.
Sometimes our final days may be a test,
But remember me when I was at my best.

Although things may not be the same,
Don't be afraid to use my name.
Let your sorrow last for just a while.
Comfort each other and try to smile.

I've lived a life filled with joy and fun.
Live on now, make me proud
of what you'll become.

As I Sit in Heaven

As I sit in heaven
And watch you everyday
I try to let you know with signs
I never went away

I hear you when you're laughing
And watch you as you sleep
I even place my arms around you
To calm you while you weep

I see you wish the days away
Begging to have me home
So I try to send you signs
So you know you are not alone

Don't feel guilty that you have
Life that was denied to me
Heaven is truly beautiful
Just you wait and see

So live your life, laugh again
Enjoy yourself, be free
Then I know with every breath you take
You'll be taking one for me

To offer condolences to The Lawson Family,
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Obituary

Denise Gwen (Smith) Lawson, at 61 years of age, left this world and transitioned to her heavenly home with Jesus Christ on Friday, June 24, 2022. Denise was born to Freddie and Erma Lee Smith at Grant Hospital in Columbus, OH. Denise was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost at the age of 16 and is described by our mother as her "spiritual child".

Denise worked in the healthcare field most of her adult life. She lived the majority of her early years in Piqua then moved to Columbus, where she met and joined lives with her best friend, Ricky Scott Lawson, with whom she shared 38 years of marriage.

Denise is preceded in death by her infant son, James Scott Lawson; half-sister, Estella Jean Smith, and half-brother, Freddie Smith, Jr.

Denise leaves to cherish her memory, parents, Freddie and Erma Lee Smith; four children, Nathan LaDaniel (Stephanie) Smith of Zanesville, Dashawn Maurice Smith of Cambridge, Christina LaNell Lawson of Columbus, and Uhara Nicole Lawson of Cleveland; siblings, Todd Jeffrey Smith of Columbus, Ivan Jay Smith, Sr. of Zanesville, Tina Smith-Anderson of Pickerington, and Dawn Marie Smith of Columbus; 16 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; many nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

Denise played a big part in each of our lives and will be deeply missed.

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE.....	"Safe in His Arms"
SCRIPTURE READING	Pastor Eugene Collier (cousin)
Old Testament.....	
New Testament	I John 5:8 I Thessalonians 5:8 Matthew 14:8, Philippians 1:20
PRAYER.....	Douglas Collier (cousin)
SELECTION.....	Lisa Collier-Redic (cousin)
POEM	Tina Smith Anderson (sister) "As I Sit in Heaven"
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES	
	Sister Carol Moyer
REMARKS (2 minutes please)	Family and Friends
READING OF OBITUARY.....	Dawn Smith (sister)
SELECTION.....	Lisa Collier-Redic (cousin)

The Eulogy

BISHOP JAMES GAITERS

BENEDICTION	Bishop James Gaiters
RECESSSIONAL.....	Clergy, Family, and Friends "Going Up Yonder"

Repast

HARDY BUILDING
(Next to church)

Immediately following service. Please join us.