Acknowledgement

The family of Van Lee Smith is extremely grateful for all acts of kindness displayed during this difficult time; whether you sent a card or flowers, spoke comforting words, lent a shoulder, whispered a prayer or simply kept us in your thoughts, we appreciate it and it has not gone unnoticed.



The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning That God would call your name In life we loved you dearly In death we do the same

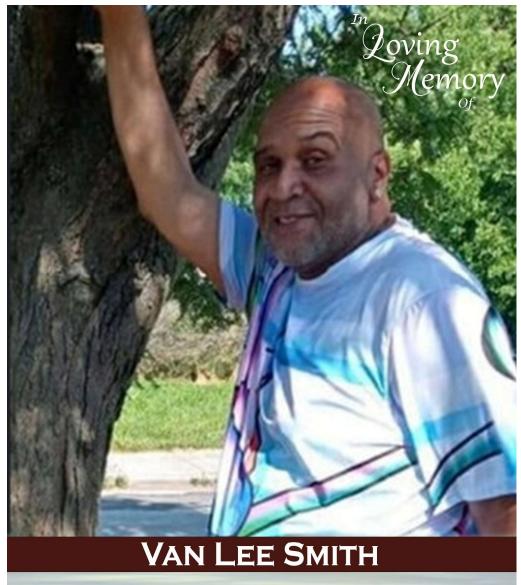
It broke our hearts to lose you You did not go alone For part of us went with you The day God called you home

You left us beautiful memories Your love is still our guide And although we cannot see you You're always by our side

Our family chain is broken And nothing seems the same But as God calls us one by one The chain will link again

To offer condolences to The Smith Family, visit www.TheChapelofPeace.com





JULY 5, 1970 ~ SEPTEMBER 25, 2021

~Service~
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2021 ~ 11:00 AM
Christian Valley Baptist Church
3330 Scottwood Road

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The Obituary

Order of Service

Van Lee Smith, 51 of Columbus, Ohio passed away Saturday, September 25, 2021 at St. Ann's Methodist Hospital. He was born July 5, 1970 in Delaware, Ohio to Robert Russell and the late Flora Lynn Smith.

Van worked for Wheels Transportation for a year. Van was an avid fan of Ohio State Buckeyes and Pittsburg Steelers. He loved family gatherings, music, Kevin Gates, pets, and food. He had a magnificent personality and was very inspirational to all he encounter ed. Van had a smile that brightened up any room.

Van is preceded in death by his mother, Flora Lynn Smith; grandparents, Orville James Smith, Winifred Thomas Smith, and Mary Russell; and daughter, Chasmine Ellison.

Van leaves to cherish his memories, father, Robert (Sally) Russell; fiancé, Jada Ellison; children, Jasmine, Kani (Bianca), Yasmin, Kuran, Roberta, Brandy, DJ, Khaneem, and Nydream; brothers, Jason and Dana; sisters, Daneisha (Ryan) Russell, and Heidi; several aunts and uncles, including special aunt, Fran Hill; special uncle, Reese; special cousins, Sean Hill and Tamecca Price; several friends; and the mothers of his children, Traci, Toiya, and Crystal.

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READING OF OBITUARY Yasmin Smith
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The Eulogy PASTOR DONALD FITZGERALD, JR

BENEDICTION	Clergy
RECESSIONAL	.Clergy, Family, and Friends

I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. John 11:25-26