



James Smith

December 25, 1959 - February 9, 2018

James Earl Smith, 58, of Peoria passed away on February 09, 2018 peacefully surrounded by his family at 1:00p.m. at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center. He was born December 25, 1959 in Blue Mountain, MS to Mr. and Mrs. Hosea and Mittie Smith.

Around 1963 the Smiths moved to Peoria, IL where James attended grade school.

In 1978 James graduated from Richwood's High School. He continued his education at Illinois Central College where he graduated with a general education degree. James really wanted to pursue a degree in Physical Education, so he accepted a basketball scholarship at Spoon River College. Canton, IL and attended for a short time. While in college and after college James held various positions at such places as Alwans Bros meat market and Super Liquors.

He leaves to cherish his memory: His parents Hosea Smith and Mittie Smith; one daughter: Megan Smith, one son Jeomari Johnson, one brother: Gerry (Mary) Smith; two sisters: Lisa (Mark) Cook and Lutissa Smith; one uncle and two aunts on his father's side, several nephews and nieces, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his fraternal and paternal grandparents, several uncles and aunts, and his eldest and youngest brothers.

Services will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 12:00p.m. with visitation commencing one hour prior at T.W. Parks Colonial Chapels Pastor Chuck Brown will officiate.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Annette Lucy lit a candle in memory of James Smith*



Annette Lucy - February 16, 2018 at 06:09 AM

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“ *Annette Lucy And Johnny Lee Williams Jr sent a virtual gift in memory of James Smith*



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“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. James Smith. We are praying that the LORD gives the strength that's needed in this difficult time . Rev. Dottie Robinson and her family*



Rev.Dottie Robinson - February 15, 2018 at 06:18 PM