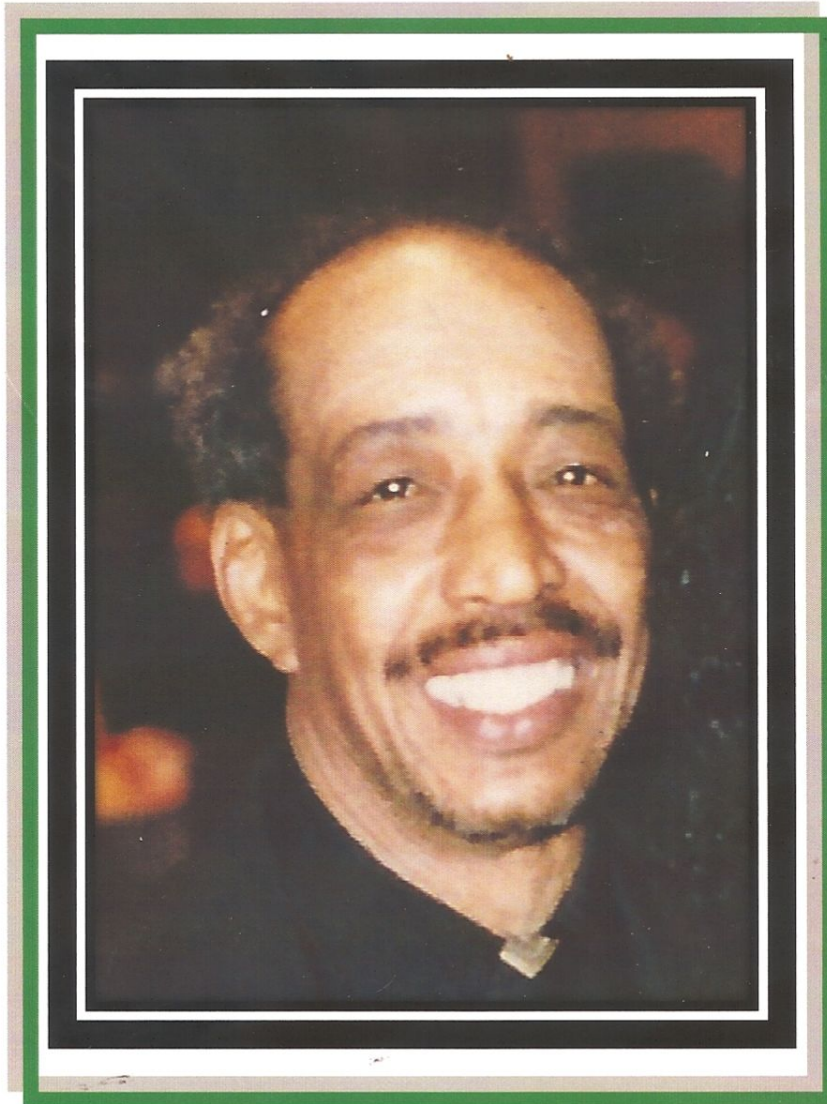


# **Celebration of Life**

*George Edward Smith*

*Sunrise*

*October 6, 1943*



*Sunset*

*March 6, 2014*

**Officiating: Pastor Curtis L. Baker, Jr.**

***Neighborhood Missionary Baptist Church***

***997 North Douglas Boulevard***

***Midwest City, OK 73130***

***Tuesday, March 11, 2014 @ 6:30 pm***





## *Mr. George Edward Smith*

### **REFLECTIONS OF HIS LIFE**

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Psalms 23*

## *George Edward Smith*

was born October 6, 1943, to Johnnie and Alma Smith in Summit, Mississippi. He graduated from Eva Gordon High School and attended Alcorn State College. On May 7, 1964, he married his high school sweetheart, Willye Mae Smith; together they had three beautiful children.

George enlisted in the United States Air Force on November 22, 1963, at the age of 19. During that time, he served in Vietnam and was stationed at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida; Webb Air Force Base, Texas; RAF Upper Heyford Air Force Station, England; Zweibrücken Air Base, Germany and George Air Force Base, California. In 1983 he retired from Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento, California after 20 years of active service.

While serving in the armed services, he was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal with One Oak Leaf Cluster; NCO Professional Military Education Ribbon; Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with Three Oak Leaf Clusters; Air Force Good Conduct Medal with Five Oak Leaf Clusters; Air Force Outstanding Unit Award; Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

After retiring from the Air Force, George worked at McClellan Air Force Base, in Sacramento, as a civil service employee. He then transferred to Tinker Air Force Base, in Oklahoma, where he retired after 21 years as a Jet Engine Mechanic.

Brother Smith joined the Neighborhood Missionary Baptist Church in Midwest City under the leadership of Pastor Curtis Baker, Jr.

George enjoyed gardening, canning, fishing and was an avid sports fan. He never let us forget his number "27" and his time on the football field as a defensive back, while stationed overseas. He NEVER relinquished his title "Domino King", because he refused to lose!

George departed this life on Thursday, March 6, 2014. He leaves to cherish his memories, his beloved wife, Willye Mae; his mother, Alma Smith; four children, Dion, Pamala, Terrance (Angela) and Tanya (Jeffrey); four sisters Gladys, Edna, Ruth and Sheila; five brothers, Donald, Larry, Robert, Eddie and Erwin; eleven grandkids, Dion Edward, Elyse, JaLysa, Terrance, Jaylin, Jordyn, Cassidy, Alyssa, Noah, Aliyah, Shea; two great-grandchildren, Gabriella and Amya, and a multitude of relatives and friend.

His father, Johnnie Smith and sisters, Flora Mae and Johnnie Mae preceded him in death.