



Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith

January 29, 1958 - June 23, 2024

On January 29, 1958 Richard Smith was born in Jackson, Mississippi to the late Flora Johnson-Smith and Walter Walker.

Throughout his life he was known and called by many names-Richard, Ricky, Rick, Doc, Uncle Rick and Unc by the many family, friends and business associates that knew him.

Rick grew up in the Florence Community. Life for him was no crystal stair. He was raised and grew up in the hands of a loving, caring and nurturing grandmother Caroline Bogan Johnson-Amos and later by his aunt Maggie Lee Webb, due to the early death of his mother. Both women were very instrumental in his religious and secular education.

Rick attended Florence High School (Class of 1976) where he was an outgoing student, a drum major, played several instruments in the band and even drove the school bus. After graduating from high school, he attended Olive Harvey College in Chicago, Illinois where he received an Associate degree in business. He later attended Jackson State University and took Business and Accounting courses. He also studied at Flag Chapel Bible College.

Rick was a man of faith who loved the Lord. And after running for many years,

he accepted his calling and was ordained and licensed as a Minister of the Gospel in 2010. His ministry provided many opportunities to spread the Gospel both locally and out-of-state. He was a longtime member of New Hope MB Church and served as the Trustee Ministry Chairman, Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, and an Associate Minister. He also served as President of the Spring Hill District Sunday School Institute from 1994-1998 and was a Missionary for the Spring Hill District Association for over 10 years.

Rick was a sharp and professional dresser. He had an aura for business. He owned his own soft drink business in the 80's. He worked in the new and used car business for over 30 years. From Salesman, to Service Advisor, to Finance Manager at several local and out-of-town car dealerships. He loved what he did and he did it well. He dealt with individuals, families and even churches as repeat customers. This became the bread and butter by which he provided for his family and he was a good provider.

Rick loved the outdoors. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and gardening. He was a great cook. He shared his bounties with families and friends. He took pride in a well maintenance lawn. He was a skilled craftsman in woodwork, creating many of the pieces in his home and others.

Rick met and was united in Holy Matrimony to Glynis Burns. The Lord allowed them to enjoy thirty three blessed years together. One daughter, Rica, was born to this union.

On June 23, 2024, Rick was called to his eternal rest. He was preceded in death by his mother, grandmother, father, daughter Nikki Boone, sisters: Debra Cooper and Carolyn Williams, brothers: Lawrence Johnson, Joe Walker, Tyrone Walker, Richard Adams

Saddened by his home going but cherishing his memories are: a faithful and devoted wife Glynis Smith, daughter Rica Smith, brothers: Robert Jones, F.R. Lenoir (Joycie), sisters: Gloria Calloway, Walterine Dinkins (Andrew), Cassandra Walker, Sister-in-law, Gail Johnson and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home
745 Highway 468
Brandon, MS 39042
(601) 825-3884
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Homegoing Service

JUL 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

New Hope Missionary Baptist
935 MS-469
Pearl, MS 39208
(601) 939-7398

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - July 05, 2024 at 03:33 PM

PP

Glynnis, I'm so sorry for your loss. May God continue to bless you with his mercy and support during this time. Patrice Anderson -Paige

Patrice Paige - July 06, 2024 at 11:12 AM

CW

“ *Clarence and Louise Woodrff lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Clarence and Louise Woodrff - July 07, 2024 at 09:19 PM

SW

“ *Sheila Woodruff lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Sheila Woodruff - July 07, 2024 at 09:18 PM

GV

“ Rev. Rick was dedicaed to serving the Lord. He was always upbeat and greeted everyone with a smile and handshake. He will be missed.

Gennia Varnado - July 05, 2024 at 06:09 PM

PJ

“ Patricia Hobson Jones lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith



Patricia Hobson Jones - July 05, 2024 at 12:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith.



July 04, 2024 at 08:05 PM

PJ

“ Patricia & Lemar Jernigan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith.

Patricia & Lemar Jernigan - July 04, 2024 at 08:05 PM

FF

“ *Farmer family lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Farmer family - July 04, 2024 at 06:20 PM

CS

“ *Condolences and Prayers for the family of Reverend Rick you were a friend indeed. Thanks for families friendship. We will miss you our friend. Douglas and Cynthia Spann Sr. & family.*



Cynthia Spann - July 04, 2024 at 01:27 AM

AC

“ *Aunt Lote's Children purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith.*



Aunt Lote's Children - July 03, 2024 at 07:51 PM

FF

“ *From The Hicks Family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith.*



From The Hicks Family - July 03, 2024 at 05:39 PM

AB

“ Alexis Bilbro lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith



Alexis Bilbro - July 03, 2024 at 01:36 PM

HW

“ Hazel Weatherspoon lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith



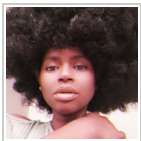
Hazel Weatherspoon - July 02, 2024 at 08:36 PM

DJ

“ Delphine Jenkins-Davs lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith



Delphine Jenkins-Davs - July 01, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ May the family find comfort in the Lord's arms. Rev Smith was an amazing man and a phenomenal teacher for the Lord. His memories will live on.



A'smile Alexander - June 29, 2024 at 10:19 AM

FB

“ *Felix Bryant lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Felix Bryant - June 28, 2024 at 07:31 PM

TW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with The Smith Family and for all who knew and loved Minister Rick. He is truly missed.*



Terri D Williams - June 28, 2024 at 05:34 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Minister Richard "Ricky" Smith.*



June 28, 2024 at 02:19 AM

EA

“ *Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Eddie Ainsworth - June 27, 2024 at 07:03 PM

EA

“ Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith



Eddie Ainsworth - June 27, 2024 at 07:01 PM

JR

“ joyce Randle sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Smith



joyce Randle - June 27, 2024 at 02:41 PM

JB

“ Jackye D. Bender sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Smith



Jackye D. Bender - June 27, 2024 at 09:36 AM

PS

“ Patricia Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Smith



Patricia Smith - June 26, 2024 at 04:54 PM

TN

“ *Tammie Newsome lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Tammie Newsome - June 26, 2024 at 01:25 PM

SH

“ *Praying that our Almighty God will strengthen this family...*

Michael & Shirley (Porter) Harper



Shirley Porter Harper - June 26, 2024 at 10:50 AM

DJ

“ *Debbie L. Jenkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Smith*



Debbie L. Jenkins - June 26, 2024 at 10:20 AM

EY

“ *Evelyn Young lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Evelyn Young - June 26, 2024 at 04:16 AM

BB

“ *Barbara Buckhaulte* sent a virtual gift in memory of *Richard Smith*



Barbara Buckhaulte - June 25, 2024 at 10:49 PM

BB

“ *Barbara Buckhaulte* sent a virtual gift in memory of *Richard Smith*



Barbara Buckhaulte - June 25, 2024 at 10:23 PM

GS

“ *Sincere Condolences*



Gwendolyn & Dallas Sutton - June 25, 2024 at 10:10 PM

BB

“ *Barbara Buckhaulte* sent a virtual gift in memory of *Richard Smith*



Barbara Buckhaulte - June 25, 2024 at 10:05 PM

JH

“ Rick, you will always be remembered for your works and deeds. Rest well faithful servant.



Joyce Henderson - June 25, 2024 at 08:18 PM

RJ

“ Ralph Johnson lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith



Ralph Johnson - June 25, 2024 at 07:55 PM

DJ

“ Daisy Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Smith



Daisy Johnson - June 25, 2024 at 07:54 PM

EW

“ Eletha Walker sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Smith



Eletha Walker - June 25, 2024 at 06:28 PM

MM

“ *Melinda Mack lit a candle in memory of Richard Smith*



Melinda Mack - June 25, 2024 at 04:43 PM

GM

Lit a candle in memory of Richard SMITH

Glen mayes - June 25, 2024 at 09:14 PM

LB

*So thankful for your kindness to me and the late Rev. Remus Burks.
Peace*

Ledora Burks - June 26, 2024 at 10:01 PM