



Louella E. Smith Rabsatt

July 13, 1947 - August 17, 2021

Louella (Lulu) Elena Smith-Rabsatt, 74, of Stone Mountain, GA passed on Tuesday August 17, 2021 in Decatur after battling cancer.. Viewing will be held on Sunday, August 29, 3:00 PM with the Celebration of Life Services to follow at 3:30pm in our chapel. There will be no other Atlanta-based visitation. Interment is being planned in St. Croix U.S. Virgin Islands. Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home Inc. 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway Decatur, GA 30034 (404) 241-5656.

Louella was born in Frederiksted, St. Croix, USVI to Hezekiah E. and Marion M. Smith on July 13, 1947. She married Sidney Rabsatt on June 28, 1969 at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Frederiksted, St Croix, USVI and had 3 children. She graduated from the University of the Virgin Islands and Florida State University, with a Master's in Social Work. She also studied Creative Writing at Mercer University.

Louella worked for Dekalb County Public Schools, Georgia Child and Protective Services, and most recently Dekalb Technical Institute and Adult Education Center as a GED teacher. She enjoyed fashion, painting, traveling,

taking photos of her family and friends, and debating politics. She was also an active member of Atlanta's Caribbean community, as well as St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church in Stone Mountain.

Louella was a loving, generous, and devoted wife, mother, sister and friend who always thought of others and how she could make their lives easier. She will be missed.

Louella is survived by:

Husband: Dr. Sidney Rabsatt

Children: Simona Rabsatt Butler, Sidney Rabsatt II, and Sabrina Rabsatt
Son-in-law: Larry Butler

Daughter-in-law: Gökçe Rabsatt

Bonus Grandkids: Nigel Miller, Nala Miller, Braydon Butler, Alexander White and Riayn McDonald

Sisters: Paulette Hodge, Alfreda Ovesen, Beverly Smith-Stalliard, Marjorie Smith and respective families

Sisters-in-laws: Leota, Rita, Eileen and Pauline Rabsatt, Ealsie Lewis Turnbull and respective families

Brothers: Families of the late Alfred and Harold Smith

Brothers-in-law: Alphonse Stalliard, Rueben Rabsatt

Cousins: Families of the late Ethanie Smith Francis, Alice Smith Nielsen, James and Charles Hendricks, Charles and Adella Simpson and family

She is preceded in death by:

Parents: Marion Hendricks and Hezekiah Smith

Brothers: Herbert, Alfred, and Harold Smith

Sisters: Elisa Smith, Harriet Francis, Helen Logan, Alice James, Annette Smith

Brothers-in-law: Svend Ovesen Jr. and Edwin Turnbull

Nephews: Adrian Solomon, Stanley Hodge, Kelvin E. Woodson Svend Oveson, III

Nieces: Diana Dawson, Kerisa Smith-Grayson

Cousin: James Frances

The family apologizes for the omission of any family of our beloved Louella, wife, mother, sister and friend during our time of grief.

Celebration of Life Services will be held on Sunday, August 29, 2021, with a 3:00 pm Viewing and 3:30 pm Service at Gregory B. Lovett & Sons Funeral Home in Decatur, GA. Services will be recorded and streamed live. In the event the service is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire service will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the service: <https://vimeo.com/591377681>

Final viewing and service will be in St. Croix, USVI at St. Paul's Episcopal Church with interment at Frederiksted Cemetery.

Special thanks for continued support and encouragement during this time to St. Michaels and All Angels Episcopal Church Family

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Louella was such a beautiful soul, love of hubby, family and her beloved island. A role model who strive to reach the top and did, but never forgetting her friends and family at home. I never got a chance to meet her face to face but in the Virgin islands nothing separates us but water. By blood or by bond we will always be family. Love you my friend, you will always be in my memories as a beautiful kind woman with a big heart. Rest now, God needed you more but you will be missed so much. Annie LaRue , aka Anne Olive Cobb.*

Annie LaRue - August 30, 2021 at 04:20 PM

LA

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Lisa-Marie Adorno - August 29, 2021 at 04:30 PM

SL

“ *Sid and family, as we are all missing Louella on this side she has been welcomed on the other side .May you find peace and comfort in knowing that GOD will give you enough light for each step of the way. So when the tears fall, just keep looking towards the light, GOD is there. Missing my little sister as I called her..
Sonia Lowe*



sonia lowe - August 29, 2021 at 12:02 PM



“ *Lou Lou has been family. She and Sid were the first people at my house the day my mom died. Sid was a lifelong friend and family of my father. I am forever indebted to them. I am so saddened to hear of her passing. She will be sorely missed. Praying peace for the family in knowing that being absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Say hi to Mother and Father Lou Lou!*

Michele Means - August 29, 2021 at 10:44 AM

KB

“ *Lou was a supportive and loving woman. Always upbeat, friendly, and outgoing. She was truly vibrant and I trust that her energy and memory will live with the many that loved her, especially her husband and children. May she rest peacefully with the ancestors. With love, Kirsten*

Kirsten Brunn - August 29, 2021 at 05:22 AM

AM

“ *May Louella rest in peace. Wishing Sydney and the rest of the family peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to hold in your hearts forever. Today and always, may fond memories of Louella bring you peace, support and strength. May God hold you in His Almighty hands take you through the rough times. With our love and deepest sympathy. Adelia Bovell-Benjamin and the rest of the family.*

Adelia Bovell-Benjamin (St. Michael) - August 28, 2021 at 06:02 PM

NC

“ Miss Loulou was a beautiful soul that gravitated to me many years ago at a Virgin Islands Event in Atlanta. She shared how she was a mother and wife first and when her children moved on she then focused on herself and her passion. When she found out who my family was in St. Croix she was so ecstatic and shared stories of her and my grandparents and how my grandfather would always bring them mangos to the beach. When I became a mom myself, she would crack up on my motherhood stories and tell me leave my daughter alone with her sassiness because she'll be a great woman with a voice and let her express herself. I give thanks for her crossing my path of life and will always remember singing and dancing and embracing her culture with her hands freely in the air, her beautiful silver hair showing her wisdom and her genuine smile. I will cherish the memories. I know her spirit soars over her loved ones.

Love, Naeemah and Niley

Naeemah Charles - August 28, 2021 at 12:20 PM

RH

“ A true friend is never truly gone. Louella, your spirit lives on in the memories of those you have left behind. We loved your smile, your passion for the arts, your baking, your vibrant plants, moments at tea parties and restaurants. We loved you dearly and will truly miss you. Lovingly, Ron and Sandra Harrigan

Ron & Sandra Harrigan - August 28, 2021 at 06:08 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.



August 27, 2021 at 10:30 PM

SW

“ SMAA Episcopal Church Women purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.



SMAA Episcopal Church Women - August 27, 2021 at 05:25 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.



August 27, 2021 at 05:19 PM

EP

“ Louella, you are my best friend I am going to miss you; but God has a bigger plan for you. No more outings to restaurants, apple, blueberry, and strawberry picking. No more sitting side by in church, and of course that laughter will remain in my heart forever.



*Rest In Peace
Elaine P*

Elaine Primus - August 27, 2021 at 01:54 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.*



August 27, 2021 at 11:08 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.*



August 27, 2021 at 05:16 AM



“ *Simona, sending our heartfelt prayers to you and your family. Praying that God will surround you and wrap His loving arms around you. We love you, Lynn Garrison & Family*

Lynn Garrison - August 25, 2021 at 10:36 PM

LB

“ My condolences to Sid, the children, their spouses, and the rest of the relatives.

Lou-my FRIEND for all SEASONS. Shopping, eating out, adventure, like going to Atlanta Motor-speed Way and buying unknown stolen tickets there, only to be embraced by their owner, and given lesson 101 in car racing. We planned to go later to Talladega Superspeed way in Alabama, but had a church event; and again-2020 in Atlanta. COVID-19 squashed our plan. We went to the Black Rodeo-what an interesting event. Lou was always available-took me to the ER and she and Sid waited patiently (long time) for me. She checked on me regularly after this visit. She and Sid also picked up my Saudi niece and husband from the airport, and became their tour guides. They are also very sad about her passing, because they often enquired about her. She always would show me a different perspective on our many discussions-that was the teacher and social worker sides of her.

Lou helped to keep the Library on Redan-Hairston opened-the members of that group were so surprised about her death.

I am unable to count the ways I would miss my dear friend; but our many hours spent together would bring comfort when sadness overwhelms me.

Heaven's gain, is our pain.

lorraine.

Lorraine B. - August 25, 2021 at 09:06 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.



August 25, 2021 at 12:26 PM

TB

“ Twilla Brooks purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.



Twilla Brooks - August 24, 2021 at 03:55 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt.



August 24, 2021 at 12:28 PM

RC

“ Randy And Pam Coleman lit a candle in memory of Louella E. Smith Rabsatt



Randy and Pam Coleman - August 23, 2021 at 07:04 PM