



Mary Jane Smith

January 28, 1951 - December 25, 2023

A Woman of Passion and Love

She is a woman of passion and love

Granny is a word we use all the time,

To some it is just a word of relation or placement

For me, it has meaning

When I think of granny, I think of a woman who could cure

The world's coldness with one kiss

She is a woman of passion and love

When others see Granny, they see her immediate beauty

Don't get me wrong, I see it too, but the beauty I see is

Comprised of her faith, resilience, and a

Christlike love.

She is a woman of passion and love.

Granny is wisdom;

Granny overlooks faults, encourages dreams, and praises

Every success.

She is a woman of passion and love

She is everything near and dear

She comforts every emotion

She makes everything seem more than alright.

Granny is the woman we look to for passion and love.

-Milan Serenity Browning

John 15:12

“My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.”

Obituary

Mary Jane Reid Smith was born on January 28, 1951, in Conyers, Georgia, to Johnnie Lee and Maggie Mae Reid. Mary was the seventh of ten children. She was considered a smart, quiet child who did not mind speaking her mind. A trait she demonstrated throughout her life. Mary joined White's Chapel United Methodist Church at an early age where she sang in the Junior and Seniors choirs. Later in life, she joined Loves and Hugs Christian Tabernacle, where she served on the Mother's Board. When Mary went to church if she was not in the choir, she enjoyed singing right along with them. Every day she read her Bible and lived by the word of God.

She attended and graduated from J.P. Carr High School. She married Oscar James Smith in 1970 and began working at Lithonia Lighting, from which she retired in 1998. Mary loved helping her community and those around her; so much so that she attended nursing school and worked in healthcare until her health later declined.

Mary was loyal and loved her immediate and extended family. She looked forward to family events, grandchildren's birthday parties, and graduations. No matter her health, she did not miss her children's or grandchildren's special events. She was proud of her children and grandchildren; she constantly doted on them. Mary was famously known for her sweet potato custard. Every major holiday, the family requested sweet potato custard and she always delivered. Mary also enjoyed spending time with her great grandpets. If she was not out and about with her sisters, she could be found at home watching TV with her grand-kitty, Otis Gray

Smith.

Mary reached eternal peace on December 25, 2023. She was proceeded in death by son, Tonoa L. Smith; daughter, Shea L. Smith; grandchildren, Jasmine Smith and Paris-James Smith; parents, Johnnie L. and Maggie Mae Reid; brothers, Johnnie Jr., Michael and Ronnie Reid; sisters, Mertice Chapman, Maggie Tuggle, and Ginger Scales.

Mary leaves to cherish her memory: husband, Oscar James Smith; sons, Fitzgerald D. (Carolyn) Reid and James D. (Ruby) Smith; daughter, Chacana L. Smith; grandchildren, Jessica Smith, Rhyan Reid, Dominique Smith, Jace Smith, Milan Smith, Reagan Reid, Chardonay Smith, and JonAshton Reid; brother, James Reid; sisters, Annie Sheppard and Robins Sanders (Gerald); and a host of nieces and nephews

Homegoing Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, January 6, 2024, 1 p.m. at Love & Hugs Christian Tabernacle 1701 Klondike Road SW, Conyers, GA 30094. Interment Union Springs Baptist Church Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Friday, January 5, 2024 from 12-8 p.m. Please express your condolences and memories here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. ROCKDALE CHAPEL 1999 Hwy 138 SE Conyers, GA 30013 (770)285-6673.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-Rockdale
1999 Hwy. 138 SE
Conyers, GA 30013

Celebration of Life

JAN 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Loves & Hugs Christian Tabernacle
1701 Klondike Road Southwest
Conyers, GA 30094-5109

Internment

JAN 6. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Union Springs Baptist Church
2730 Old Mill Road
Rutledge, GA 30663-2308

Tribute Wall

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“ *My Auntie will be truly missed, when you see her she always smiling, she will be always in everybody heart think of her smile things will brighten up, she will be truly missed*



Teresa Reid - January 05, 2024 at 06:46 PM

PS

My sincere condolences to my cousins (The Reid Family) may God continue to bless and keep you all uplifted in prayer in this time of need, Mary had a kind and loving spirit about her always smiling. Rest now in peace you are with the Lord our God 🙏

Patricia Hale Swann - January 05, 2024 at 10:10 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Jane Smith.*



January 05, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Jane Smith.*



January 05, 2024 at 08:55 AM

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“ *Benita and Donald planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Jane Smith.*

Benita and Donald - January 05, 2024 at 08:55 AM

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“ *The Browning Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Jane Smith.*



The Browning Family - January 04, 2024 at 06:05 PM

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“ *Veronica Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Mary Jane Smith*



Veronica Rhodes - January 04, 2024 at 02:58 PM


Charlotte
Wilson

“ *Charlotte Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mary Jane Smith*



Charlotte Wilson - January 04, 2024 at 06:23 AM


Charlotte
Wilson

May the family be strengthened during this time.

Charlotte Wilson - January 04, 2024 at 06:25 AM