



Patricia Smith

February 16, 1939 - October 10, 2023

Beloved Patricia Delores Smith was born in Spartanburg South Carolina to the union of Arthur Dean Anderson and Leatha Angenette Johnson on February 16, 1939. She was the oldest of two children and survived by her brother Arthur Anderson.

Patricia (Pat) Smith at an early age demonstrated a zeal for educational learning and significant proficiency with the piano. Always at the top of her class.

She moved with her family to Highland Park Michigan in 1950 where her greater family and joined Greater New Mount Morriah Church and played the piano. Graduating from Highland Park Highschool in 1957 with honors, she went on to obtain a Bachelors degree in Education and Masters degree in Psychology from Wayne State University.

Pat and Mark had two sons Mark Hanna Smith III and Kevin Andrew Smith; and one daughter Katrina Michelle Smith. She was an active mother supporting her children through many organizations such as Jack and Jill Inc., Tots and Teens Inc, CISV, and many others.

She worked tirelessly with her husband on building a property management

company and was an active member of her sorority Alpha Kappa Alpha Incorporated, the Links Incorporated, and many other organizations including being an active member and supporter of the Charles H. Wright African American History museum. She was an avid art enthusiast engaging many African American artists local to the Detroit area. One of her greatest joys for many years was supporting the Penn Center at St. Helena Island in South Carolina educating people on the historical significance of the Gullah and Geechee people in South Carolina and of it being one of the first schools for educating former slaves in 1862 before the conclusion to the Civil War.

She was a lifetime member of the NAACP and Urban league devoting much of her time to further those causes. She was a deeply caring person who lived by the motto "Actions speak louder than words" and engaging supporting the Civil Rights movement to make the world a better place for all children and grandchildren to come.

She came to

Patricia departed this life after a protracted illness on Wednesday October 11th, 2023. She leaves to rejoice in her memory her sons, Kevin and Mark Smith, her brother Dr. Arthur D. Anderson, two grandchildren, Benjamin Alexander Smith and Olivia Jocelyn Smith, her cousin McConnell Trap, and a host of relatives and friends who will dearly miss her.

We would like to send special thanks to her longtime friends Joan Blount, Dr. Virginia Jones, The Links, the AKAs, her cousins, and especially to Laura Riddick at the Detroit agency on Aging (313) 446-4444.

Zoom Instructions For Livestream 1. Go to [Kempfuneralhome.com](https://kempfuneralhome.com). 2. Click on your loved one's photo or use the search bar and type in your loved one's

name. 3. You are now on their Tribute Page. 4. You should see a tab labeled photo & videos (or it may be labeled media, depending on your device). Select that tab. 5. Just before the service starts, you will see an icon labeled Webcast (or it may be labeled external video, depending on your device). Select the icon. 6. You will begin to launch into the zoom meeting.

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Patricia Smith please visit our Sympathy Store.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **28**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Livestreamed Funeral Service in memory of Patricia Smith*



Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services - October 28, 2023 at 01:53 PM

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“ *Our deepest thoughts and sympathy to the family of Patricia Smith. My family has known her since college days as an outstanding lady, parent of two sons, and an accomplished educator.*
Dr. Thomas and Gloria Washington

Thomas A Washington - October 27, 2023 at 05:10 PM

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Thank you so much for all of your support and friendship throughout the years. We love and appreciate you.

Kevin Smith - October 27, 2023 at 06:10 PM

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“ *The Gonzalez, Troncoso, Gomez, Soto, Colon, Barnum, Dean, Cannon, McGowan & Nettey Families purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S pray for the family of Patricia Smith.*



The Gonzalez, Troncoso, Gomez, Soto, Colon, Barnum, Dean, Cannon, McGowan & Nettey Families - October 27, 2023 at 10:12 AM

PH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Patricia Hammond - October 26, 2023 at 07:38 PM

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Thank you so much Pat. We love our family and the support you've always given throughout the years. We love you and will always be there for you.

Kevin Smith - October 27, 2023 at 06:13 PM

MB

“ *As a youngster at Greater New Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church, Pat was such a role model for me. She was the beautiful and educated pianist for the church choir. She was always so poised and well dressed. Later, she became a member of our extended family and I was proud to say that. May Pat rest in peace.*

Margaret Gasby Brown - October 25, 2023 at 08:50 PM

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Thank you so much Gasby! We love you! She will rest knowing that we have you in our lives.

Kevin Smith - October 27, 2023 at 06:15 PM



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Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services - October 25, 2023 at 08:50 PM