



Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith

December 18, 1969 - January 10, 2021

Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM Saturday, January 16, 2021 at Emma Zion Baptist Church in Melville, LA, for Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith, 51, who entered eternal rest, Sunday, January 10, 2021 at Opelousas General Health System.

Interment will be in Sweet Home Cemetery in Melville, LA.

Ms. Smith is survived by her daughter, Taylor Vaughn of Melville, LA; two Godchildren, Zavier Bolden of Opelousas, LA and Stephon Moore of Lafayette, LA; two brothers, Charles Smith (Janelle) of Baton Rouge, LA and Elroy Smith of Palmetto, LA; two sisters, Geraldine Washington and Norma Jean Vaughn (Jimmy) both of Melville, LA and a host of extended family members and friends.

Ms. Smith was preceded in death by her parents, George & Emma Smith and a son, Justin Smith.

Visiting hours will be observed from 9:00 AM to 10:45 AM Saturday, January 16, 2021 at Emma Zion Baptist Church.

Share words of comfort with the Smith family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.net

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 337-942-2037.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ *May peace and comfort be with you and your family at this difficult time.*

Sheriff Bobby J. Guidroz - January 19, 2021 at 11:57 AM



“ *R.I.P MY FRIEND*



Wanda Hammond - January 17, 2021 at 03:28 PM



“ *Deepest condolences from Stephanie Smith Selvage memories growing up in the neighborhood together, always smiling when she spoke to me. Praying for your Taylor and the entire family. Memories RIH!!*

Stephanie Selvage - January 15, 2021 at 10:50 PM

LJ

“ *Lindia Jones-howell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith*



Lindia Jones-howell - January 15, 2021 at 09:51 PM

MH

“ *Taylor, may God bless and comfort you and your family during this difficult time of grief. Please accept our sincere condolences.*

Mickel & Michelle Haynes

Michelle J Haynes - January 15, 2021 at 04:56 PM

BO

“ *Never knew you to well until you came to work at nursing home. You were a great worker, always so kind to the patients, you went out of your way for them. You will never be forgotten. God had a bigger plan for you. See you again some day friend*

Barbie ortego - January 15, 2021 at 12:22 PM

RF

“ *Ronald Zachery & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith*



Ronald Zachery & Family - January 14, 2021 at 08:07 PM

BA

“ *Budd, John & Natalie Adams purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith.*



Budd, John & Natalie Adams - January 14, 2021 at 05:40 PM

NA

“ *No matter how prepared you think you are for death of a loved one, it still comes as a shock, and it still hurts very deeply. But the memories will forever live on in my heart. I can remember how you would always tease Trista and I when we were younger because we thought we were grown. There were days I would watch you walk around the block with a switch in your hand like you were going to whip somebody but you were just exercising. You always allowed me to come into your home with open arms. I will miss you. I hope you are now enjoying your time with all of our loved ones who have passed over the years. You will definitely be missed.*



Natalie Adams - January 14, 2021 at 05:26 PM

CB

“ *My deepest condolences to Dianne family!!! I met Dianne at Senior Village where we work together and remain friends. Taylor your mom was such a sweet and wonderful woman who loved you with everything in her!!!! Love you Taylor 🙏🙏🙏*

Crystal Brown - January 13, 2021 at 11:17 PM

NE

“ Norma English lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith



Norma English - January 13, 2021 at 10:25 AM

MC

*My friend Our Father has called you home we was not ready for you to go but he knows best , you have no more pain or worries all but joy I will miss you dearly because you was that kind of loving friend when ever I came down you was always there to greet me with a loving smile regardless what the situation was , always a true loving friend I will miss you dearly my friend.
RIP my friend until we meet again.*

Mary Shelvin Carwy - January 14, 2021 at 12:45 AM

LR

“ Lillian Rideaux lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith



Lillian Rideaux - January 13, 2021 at 09:58 AM

GC

“ Glenda Chenevert lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith



Glenda Chenevert - January 12, 2021 at 06:31 PM

CS

“ *Carlene Sands sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith*



Carlene Sands - January 12, 2021 at 06:31 PM

MS

“ *May God Bless and give comfort to the living family. As we move forward we know that on January 10, 2021, My loving friend with a golden heart stopped beating two smiling eyes at rest God knows that our heart is broken but he only proves to us that he takes the best. When someone you love becomes a memory the memory becomes a treasure.*

*God Bless
Love Mary Ann Shelvin*

Mary Ann Shelvin - January 12, 2021 at 01:41 PM

MR

“ *My deepest sympathy is with you and your family at this time of sorrow. My the Lord bless you with his strength and wisdom in your time of need.*

Martha Robinson

martha robinson - January 12, 2021 at 11:42 AM

PG

“ Tuddie was someone I could call a friend and she knew I was always there for her. Will be missed deeply. My sympathy to Taylor and her family. Tuddie will be on my mind and heart forever. ❤️🙏
❤️

Pat Gordon - January 12, 2021 at 08:18 AM

SS

“ My heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy to the family and friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. RIP sweetie.

Sandra Smith - January 12, 2021 at 08:13 AM

TB

“ Rest in Peace Tuddie. This is still unbelievable. May God give your family strength during this difficult time. Keeping you all lifted in prayer. 🙏🙏🙏

Toni Barrett-Druilhet - January 12, 2021 at 07:03 AM

PH

“ Can't believe that you are gone tuddie!!!! Most of my memories of you are when we were growing up and you always wanting to follow norma wherever she went!!!! Love you girlie....what a reunion it was when you arrived in heavenly places..... you'll be missed on this side but you'll be awaiting the arrival of the rest of us that still have to pass that way. GOD'S BLESSINGS upon your family and especially your BEAUTIFUL daughter. 🙏❤️

Penny Derkins Henderson - January 12, 2021 at 03:31 AM

LJ

To the Smith family.

It is difficult to write a message to the family when I too feel like family. Tuttie mom (Emma Mae) & I grew up together as children even tho I relocated we always looked forward to rekindle our missed moments of a new baby or laughable growth to adulthood.

To my friends children Gerlidean, Charles, Norma & Elroy. There aren't words to describe your pain. This is different. One would describe transition as waves in an ocean it's rough. And, when the swell of the oceans become unbearable reach out to each other and hold tight.

Taylor, remember the love & bond I'm told you shared, you guys were inseparable she loved you sooo much. You were your mom dreams so make her proud and do your best in accomplishing shared dream. God bless & keep you, through these dark days. Remember Gods promise to never leave you nor forsake you. Live your mom smile & dream.

Show her you love her even in heaven & never forget she taught you.

To all of the family my heartfelt condolences. I love all of you my"family, many miles away but close in love & support.

Lindia Joy your mom & grandmother Emma friend.

Lindia Jones-howell - January 15, 2021 at 11:12 PM

DK

“ *My deepest condolences to the Smith family. Dianne will be miss. She was a sweet person. May god bless the family. Dorothy Tyler King*

Dorothy Tyler King - January 12, 2021 at 12:59 AM

MJ

“ *My Prayers & Condolences are with the family. Tuddie & I worked together for years. She was always such a sweet, caring, lovable & fun person to be around. She will surely be missed!! R.I.P my friend!!*



Molly Jackson - January 11, 2021 at 09:20 PM

ET

“ When we use to go to the Clark Hall and just hanging out at Busters Lounge...when my Aunt Sis use to look for Me And Mary and Tuddie would see us coming for Ms. Harry she would tell us Ms. Sis is looking for yall...all that time when we went out and Ded would be doing something funny and Tuddie would be laughing at her...man there are so many memories...we love you and gonna miss you.

Ellen Tanner - January 11, 2021 at 07:07 PM

DP

“ Sorry to hear of Dianne's passing. I taught her while she was in high school and saw her on Wednesdays while I visited the Tri-Community Nursing Home in Palmetto. May God comfort Dianne's family during this time of loss.

Darrell Porche

Darrell Porche - January 11, 2021 at 06:24 PM

TS

“ Theresa Shelvin lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dianne "Tuddie" Smith



Theresa Shelvin - January 11, 2021 at 06:23 PM

DR

“ Tuddie will forever be missed. The Family has my deepest sympathy and Prayers. 🙏🙏🙏

Denise Oliney Rose - January 11, 2021 at 05:34 PM

DT

“ RIP my friend u will be miss gone but never forgotten

David Wayne Trotter - January 11, 2021 at 05:18 PM

IM

Wow Diane (Tuddie) girl I can't believe that, you are gone. The day of your birthday I pin money on you and gave you a big hug and kiss, not knowing that would be our last encounter. I texted you one day and ask how you were doing you texted back later that night miserable. From that they own I knew in my heart you were coming back to us but, I was wrong I texted you almost every day just to talk to you my last text was to tell you how Gerard was cutting up but in the mist of that he said he wanted Tuddie back. I am so glad that you were a part of my life and I will truly miss you love always Irma 😭

Irma Mccree - January 12, 2021 at 08:19 AM

IR

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irma - January 15, 2021 at 02:26 PM