



Roses For Momma
If roses grow in heaven,
Lord, please pick a bunch for us.
Place them in our mother's arms
And tell her they're from us.
Tell her we love her and miss her,
And when she turns and smile,
Place a kiss upon her cheek
And hold her for awhile
Because remembering her is easy,
We do it every day,
But there's an ache within my heart
That will never go away



Acknowledgement

The family of Maelvine Lenore Smith wishes to express deep heartfelt appreciation for you loving thoughtfulness and concern, including cards, flowers, phone calls, texts, visits, your presence here today, and your prayers during this difficult time.

The Family

Arrangements Were Entrusted to:
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Celebrating
the life and Legacy of
Mrs. Maelvine Lenore Bradley
Smith

Sunrise July 15, 1953
Sunset February 24, 2024



Monday, March 4, 2024
1:00 PM
Mount Hebron Baptist Church
732 Mt. Hebron Church Road
Gastonia, North Carolina
Reverend Antwonn Lynch, Senior Pastor

Order of Service

Mistress of Ceremony - Minister Shamika Hill

Processional		
Invocation		Pastor Antwonn Lynch
Opening Hymn		Mt. Hebron Church Choir
Old Testament	Psalms 23	Dr. Timothy Scott
New Testament	St. John 14:1-6	Pastor R. O. Setzer
Prayer of Comfort		Pastor Timothy Hope
Musical Selection	“Calvary”	Mr. Anthony Holland
Remarks (limit 2 min please)		
Resolution		Ms. Gloria Crawford
Musical Selection	“I Can Only Imagine”	
	Ms. Tamikka Woods	
Words of Comfort		Pastor Antwonn Lynch
Recessional		

—Interment—
Gaston Memorial Park
Gastonia, North Carolina

Flower Bearers

Nieces and Friends

Pall Bearers

Sons and Nephews



The Obituary

Maelvine Lenore Smith, affectionately known as Nore was born on July 15, 1953, to the late Houston and Eva Mae Bradley, in Smyre, NC, now known as Gastonia. Nore departed this earthly life on February 23, 2024 at Atrium Health Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Growing up surrounded by family and friends, Nore cherished her childhood. A graduate from Holbrook High School, she excelled in both basketball and softball. At an early age, Nore was introduced to the presence of God, attending St. Paul Baptist Church and fostering a deep connection with her faith. As an Adult, she became an integral part of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, dedicating herself to various roles including serving on the Deaconess Board, leading the Culinary Committee, and teaching Sunday School. Her profound belief in the power of prayer made her a trusted spiritual counselor and prayer warrior. Nore’s steadfast faith served as a beacon of strength and comfort to all who knew her, leaving a legacy of devotion to God.

In her late teens, Nore found joy working at a café; where she also found the love of her life, Robert Smith. From there her career would move to Gaston County DSS Childcare Program before transitioning to managing school cafeterias all across the county. Nore’s influence reached far beyond the kitchen, leaving a legacy of integrity, diligence, and excellence in all she did. Even in her retirement, her love for connecting people through food continued, as she delighted in serving samples at SAM’s Club, sharing her joy for cooking with everyone she met.

Nore’s legacy lives on through her cherished family, though she is preceded in death by her parents, her sister Julia Bradley, and grandson Thomas Wright. She leaves behind her devoted husband, Robert Smith, and their four beloved sons: Tyrone Smith, Curtis Smith (Tonya), Robert Smith (Shakia) and Amos Smith. Her memory is also carried by her grandchildren: Kirsten, Tyrone, Cameron, Tyra, Kourtney, Kamaal, Logan and Roman. As well as her great-granddaughter, Justice Pitt.

Nore’s presence will be deeply missed by her siblings: Marice Adams, Veronica Jackson, Evelyn McGill, Monica Walker, Houston “Jerome” Bradley, “Tyrone” (Regina) Bradley, and Roderick “Shine” (Marie) Bradley; Goddaughter Tamikka Woods and her son Gabriel Woods; Godbrother Curt Tigler; and special brother-in-law, Thomas Adams. Her extended family, including numerous nieces, nephews, also mourn her passing.