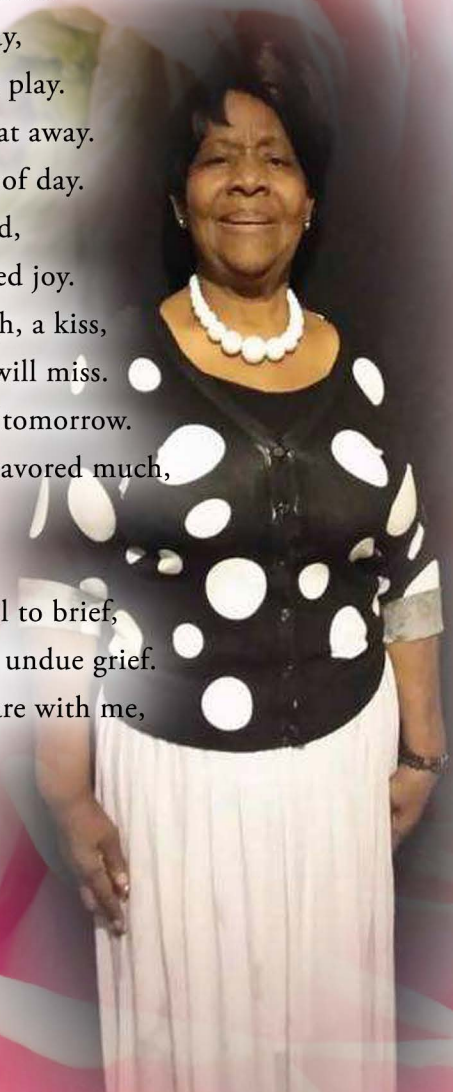


I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard him call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
to laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks undone must stay that away.
I found that peace at close of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
ah, yes, these things I too will miss.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life has been full, I've savored much,
good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and share with me,
God wanted me now:
He set me free.



PALLBEARERS

Talus Brown, Demetrius Smith, Malik Ponds,
Adonis Simmons, Tyler Edmonds, Robert Smith,
Ersell Smith, Lorey Fountain

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Church Family and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of the late Evangelist Cheryl Diane Smith
would like to extend our sincere and most heartfelt thanks
for all your phone calls, prayers, visits, and acts of kindness
expressed in our time of sadness and loss. May God
continue to richly bless each of you.
~The Family

INTERMENT

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REPAST

At the family's request, there will not be a repast.

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HOME GOING CELEBRATION FOR



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SUNRISE: JANUARY 23, 1951
SUNSET: JULY 13, 2023

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2023 @ 10 AM
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Elder James Brant III ~ Officiate

THE LIFE OF E V A N G E L I S T CHERYL DIANE SMITH

JANUARY 23, 1951 – JULY 13, 2023

*To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under
heaven: Ecclesiastes 3:1*

A time to be born...

Evangelist Cheryl Diane Fountain Smith was born on January 23, 1951 in Jacksonville, Florida to the late Ben Fountain and Mother Thelma Louise Small Brant. She was one of seven siblings.

She was educated in the Duval County Public School System, graduating from William Marion Raines High School.

She made her commitment to the Lordship of Jesus Christ received the baptism of that precious gift called “the Holy Ghost” at the age of 18 years old. She attended and was a faithful member of the Refuge Temple Church in Lake City, Florida under the leadership of her brother and pastor, the late Bishop James Brant, Jr. She later moved back to Jacksonville, Florida and served as one of the founding members of Zarephath Tabernacle (*also known as the Sustainment Center Church*) also pastored by her brother. She served for many years as a missionary, and evangelist. She also was responsible for stewarding the congregation of a new church plant until a pastor was selected.

On December 31, 2022, she was appointed as an “Elder Mother” in the church; the highest appointment of the church, to assist the pastor in counsel and paper, and one of the most influential gifts and examples modeled among the people.

Her testimony was unchanging of the how she received the Holy Ghost and examples of the power of God at work in her life.

A time to die...

On Thursday, July 13th, Evangelist Cheryl Smith was called from labor to reward. Preceding her in death; her parents, Ben Fountain and Mother Thelma Brant; her daughter, Desiree Smith; and two brothers, William Brant and Bishop James Brant, Jr., the leaves to cherish her precious memories her children, Cheryl T. Smith (Will), Demetrius Smith (Renita), Kija Parker (Shawn), Adrian Smith, Andre Smith, Kevin Smith, David Smith, Cornelius Smith, and Robert Smith; her siblings, Albert Fountain (Gail), Mary Fountain Hogg, Steven Brant, Michael Brant, Rosa Sanders (Eddie); her grandchildren, Chiara, London, Tyra, Ersell, Talus, Malik, Tyler, Joseph, Delani, Jada, Joia, Jocelyn, Joshua, and Tiffany; six great grandchildren, and a host of Godchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.



THE HOMEGOING CELEBRATION FOR E V A N G E L I S T CHERYL DIANE SMITH

JANUARY 23, 1951 – JULY 13, 2023

Saturday, July 22, 2023 | 10am
Elder David D. Brant, Presiding
†Indicates All Standing Please

†Processional/Parting View

SelectionsThe Sustainment Center Music Ministry

Invocation

Reading of the Holy Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Solo.....Joseph Smith

Reflections of Precious Memories (2 minutes please)

As A BrotherAlbert Fountain

As A SisterRosa Sanders

Dr. Denise M. Brant

As Her Favorite AuntPatricia Battles

As An UncleDr. Wilbert Small

As A NeighborJanice Stockton

Special ReflectionsHer Children

Special RemarksClergy

Acknowledgements / Resolutions

SelectionThe Sustainment Center Music Ministry

Words of ComfortPastor James Brant, III

Recessional