### —ORDER OF SERVICE—

Officiating Minister, Rev. Nellie Kirkland, Pastor Oak Grove A.M.E. Zion Church Cherryville, North Carolina

| Prelude<br>Processional<br>Receiving of Family and Friends | Clergy and Family<br>11:30 am –12:00 pm                                   |
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| CALL TO WORSHIP  | Rev. Nellie Kirkland  |
| Selection  | Combined Choirs   |
| SCRIPTURE READING  |   |
| Old Testament Scripture<br>New Testament Scripture         | Apostle Pecolia Ervin   |
| PRAYER OF COMFORT  | Elder Mildred Maddox  |
| Selection  | Combined Choirs   |
| Acknowledgements   | Rev. Lewis Lowery   |
| REMARKS  | Lena Bell Johnson<br>Delores Maddox                                       |
| Family ReflectionsElder                                    | Shawn Forney, Son-in-law<br>Cassandra Smith, Daughter<br>T. J. Smith, Son |
| Selection  | John Lewis Wilson   |
| EULOGYRecessional Selection                                |   |

Committal/Interment Forest Lawn Cemetery Lincolnton, North Carolina

> Floral Bearers Nieces

Honorary Pall Bearers T. J. Smith

> Pall Bearers Nephews

#### When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not here to see If the sun shall rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me, I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today. While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say. I know how much you loved me, as much as I loved you And each time that you think of me I know you'll miss me, too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand That an angel came, called my name, and took me by the hand. And said my place was ready in heaven far above And that I would have to leave behind all those I dearly love. But as I turned to walk away, a tear fell from my eye. I had so much yet to do, it seemed almost impossible that I was leaving you. *I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad.* I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had. If I could relive yesterday, I thought for just a while, I would say good-bye and kiss you and maybe see you smile. But when I fully realized that this could never be For emptiness and memories would take the place for me. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart, for every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

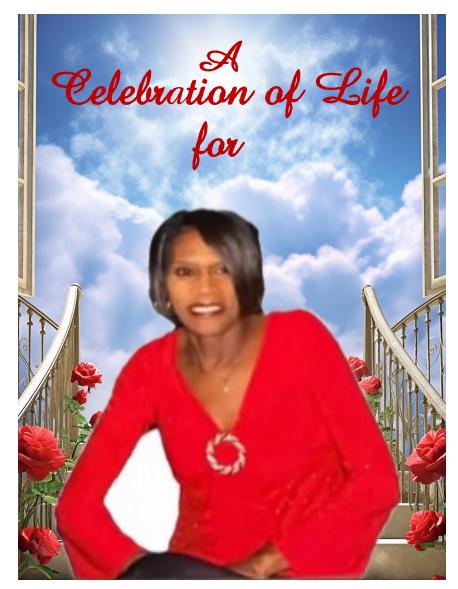
## Acknowledgement

We would like to thank everyone for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown during the passing of our beloved Cecelia Wilson Smith. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

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# Cecelia Wilson Smith

Saturday, June 22, 2024 12:00 P.M.

White's Family Chapel Lincolnton, North Carolina

Rev. Dr. Roger W. Fuller, Pastor Zion Hill Baptist Church Cherryville, North Carolina

















## **Life Reflections**

Cecelia Wilson Smith, a resident of Lincolnton, North Carolina was born in Cleveland County, North Carolina on October 14, 1951, to the late L.C. Glover and Lucille Wilson. She made her earthly transition on Friday, June 14, 2024, at Atrium Health-Lincoln, Lincolnton, North Carolina.

Cecelia graduated from East Lincoln High School, Class of 1970. She did further her study at Gaston College. She worked at Lincoln Manufacturing for several years and retired from Duke Power.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by five siblings, George Wilson, Cindy Leigh Wilson Cowans, Evlonia "Tweetsie" Wilson, Mary Alice (Fran) Sellers and Coleman Wilson.

(The family is writing something about her to go here)

She leaves to cherish fond and loving memories in the hearts of her husband, Thomas Smith, Sr. of the home; a son, Thomas Smith, Jr. (AKA) T.J. of Statesville NC; two daughters, Cassandra Smith of Dallas, NC; Elder Michelle Forney (Elder Shawn) of Stanley, NC; two brothers, Dennis Wilson (Gail), William Wilson (Jetta) all of Iron Station, NC; one sister, Virginia Cornwell of Iron Station, NC; ten grandchildren, Anthony Mackins, Eli Mackins, Isaiah Mackins, Tae Childress, Kingston Smith, Love Smith, Jacques Wilson, Xavier Wilson, Tasean Johnson, Shawnese Forney; four great grandchildren, Jayceon Wilson, Harmeni Wilson, Genesis Wilson, Tempest Chastine; several sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.



















You have left our lives, but you will never leave our hearts.