

—ORDER OF SERVICE—

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

Prelude
Processional
Receiving of Family and Friends
Clergy and Family
11:30 am –12:00 pm

CALL TO WORSHIP.....Rev. Nellie Kirkland
Selection.....Combined Choirs

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament ScriptureRev. Gwen Cobb
New Testament ScriptureApostle Pecolia Ervin

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....Elder Mildred Maddox
Selection.....Combined Choirs

AcknowledgementsRev. Lewis Lowery

REMARKSLena Bell Johnson
Delores Maddox

Family Reflections.....Elder Shawn Forney, Son-in-law
Cassandra Smith, Daughter
T. J. Smith, Son

Selection.....John Lewis Wilson

EULOGY.....Rev. Dr. Roger W. Fuller
Recessional Selection.....Combined Choirs

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.**



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