

*When Tomorrow
Starts Without Me.*

- Author Unknown

*When tomorrow starts without me,
Please try to understand an angel came
and called my name, Then took me by
the hand. The Beauty here is ecstasy,
No need to grieve or carry on, Go on
and live with peace each day, I'm home
where I belong. Dismiss the heartache and
pain, Put all your sorrows to rest. Though
some things did not come easily, in life
I did my best. I'm free of pain and
suffering, So do not weep for me. With
eyes closed for a final time, Tomorrow
will not be. So when tomorrow starts
without me, Do not think we're far
apart, For every time you think of me,
I'm right there in your heart.*



*In Loving Memory
of Carla*

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Acknowledgements

The family of Carla M. Smith acknowledges with sincere appreciation every act of kindness shown in our hour of bereavement. Special thanks to Bishop Harry Calloway, Jr. and all of our family and friends. Thank you for your presence here with us today. May God continue to bless and keep each one of you. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.

The Family of Carla M. Smith

Flower Bearers

Family Members & Friends

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Thomas Funeral Home
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Celebration of Life



*Carla M. Smith
April 24, 1981 - September 22, 2020*

*Funeral Service 11:00 a.m.
Friday, October 2, 2020
Thomas Funeral Home
4520 Salem Ave., Trotwood, OH*

*Bishop Harry Calloway, Jr.,
Officiating*



II Timothy 4:7-8

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me.

Obituary

Carla M. Smith, age 39, was born April 24, 1981 in Dayton, Ohio to Brian Foster and Alvetta Smith. She was educated in the Dayton Public School system and graduated at Meadowdale High School. She worked as a STNA (state tested nurse's aide) 15 plus years, her last employer being Shiloh Springs Care Center. Carla accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and was baptized as a young woman.

Carla was a loving and devoted daughter, mother, sister, aunt and friend. She dearly loved her daughter who was the love of her life and she cared deeply for all children. Carla was laid back and very outspoken. She enjoyed entertaining with family and friends, listening to music, eating good food and shopping.

On Tuesday, September 22, 2020 Carla M. Smith transitioned from this life to be in the presence of the Lord. She was also preceded in death by One Son, Davion Smith. Carla leaves to cherish precious memories and celebrate her life; One Daughter, Nyayrra Laws; Life-Long Companion, Jerry Laws; Parents, Brian Foster and Alvetta Smith; One Sister, Latisha Smith; One Brother, Mark Smith; Special Cousins, Kianna Strickland and Michael Dudley; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, other family members and special friends.

The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you dearly, In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you. You did not go alone, for part of us went with you the day God called you home. You left us peaceful memories. Your love is still our guide. And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side. Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the Chain will link again.

Order of Service

- Musical Prelude.....Soft Music*
- Scripture Readings.....O/N Testament.....Clergy*
- Prayer.....Clergy*
- Musical Selection.....CD*
- Obituary Reading/Poem.....Latisha Smith*
- Acknowledgements.....*
- Reflections.....(Please limit to 2 minutes)*
- Musical Selection.....CD*
- Eulogy.....Bishop Harry Calloway, Jr.*
- Benediction..... Bishop Harry Calloway, Jr.*
- Final Disposition.....Cremation*

*Repast - gathering for family and friends immediately following Service
DJ's Party Rm. – Hoover Ave.
Please wear mask and Social Distance*

Psalms 23 - A Psalm of David (nkip)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.