



Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith

December 29, 1953 - May 3, 2019

Mrs. Smith was born on December 29, 1953, the daughter of Jim Prater, Sr. and Bernice Dennis Prater. She was a graduate of the North Natchez High School Class of 1971 and Delta Business College. Diane was retired from the Natchez Fire Department and was a member of Christian Hope Missionary Baptist Church where she served on the public relations committee. She enjoyed writing poetry and reading.

She is preceded in death by her parents; brother: Joseph Prater and sisters: Shirley Rose Prater and Jessica Denise Prater.

Survivors include a son: Ernest L. Washington; daughter: Adonica T. Smith; four brothers: Jim Prater, Jr., Melvin Prater, Rogers Prater, Sturgis; two sisters: Dora P. Hawkins, Carrie Prater Bailey; two granddaughters: Marissa Washington and Gianna Pernell, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and special friends.

Online condolences may be sent to www.westgatefh.com

Cemetery Details

Univesta Baptist Church Cemetery

Doloroso, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **10**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)
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Funeral Service

MAY **11**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Christian Hope Baptist Church
301 Lasalle Street
Natchez, MS 39120

Tribute Wall



“ *Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith*

September 17, 2022 at 03:10 AM



“ *Patrice WASHINGTON Bates lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith*



Patrice WASHINGTON Bates - June 22, 2019 at 09:21 AM



“ *As a former city employee, I always enjoyed working with Diane. She exhibited the upmost professionalism and I enjoyed her sense of humor when going out with the girls. She will truly be missed.*
Temple Hendricks

TEMPLE L HENDRICKS - May 15, 2019 at 11:09 AM



“ *Linda Rice lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith*



Linda Rice - May 11, 2019 at 11:09 AM



A 🌹 rose is still a rose. Take your REST. 💙

Linda Rice - May 11, 2019 at 11:10 AM

PM

“ Patricia Bowie Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



patricia bowie mitchell - May 10, 2019 at 11:37 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith.



May 10, 2019 at 11:38 AM

EE

“ Ellen Edwards lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



Ellen Edwards - May 09, 2019 at 10:35 PM



“ Maxine Railey lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



Maxine Railey - May 09, 2019 at 10:33 PM

Shirley
Mazique-
Phipps

“ Shirley Mazique-Phipps lit a candle in
memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



Shirley Mazique-Phipps - May 09, 2019 at 09:53 PM

DS

“ Dorothy Fleming Scott lit a candle in memory
of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



Dorothy Fleming Scott - May 09, 2019 at 06:40 PM

JL

“ Joyce Lewis lit a candle in memory of Ms
Diane Marie Prater Smith



joyce lewis - May 09, 2019 at 03:15 PM

CG

Diane, you were the voice of 911. When you keyed the mike, all was well... calm , cool, professional. You will be greatly missed by your officers that you protected.... Cpt. Craig Godbold, Vidalia PD, retired from Natchez PD.

Craig Godbold - May 10, 2019 at 07:44 PM

PS

“ Pat Smith lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



Pat Smith - May 09, 2019 at 01:34 PM

BS

Brenda Harris Sonia
Prayers and condolences to family. Take your rest Diane. We will surely miss you.

Brenda Harris Sonia - May 10, 2019 at 12:17 AM

JP

“ Jackie Posey lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



Jackie Posey - May 09, 2019 at 12:33 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith.



May 09, 2019 at 12:06 PM

WH

“ West Gate Funeral Home and staff extends our deepest sympathy to your family. May the memories that you have shared with Diane bring you peace and joy during this difficult time. Remember to take "one day at a time". We will continue to pray for your family.

West Gate Funeral Home - May 08, 2019 at 05:50 PM

WH

“ West Gate Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith



West Gate Funeral Home - May 08, 2019 at 05:44 PM

EC

“ We are forever grateful for your prayers, positive words of encouragement and your dedication and passion for serving the youth in your community. We are honored to continue this work as a part of your legacy. Rest In Peace my dear friend and classmate!



Ella Clark - May 08, 2019 at 11:38 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith.



May 08, 2019 at 11:32 AM

TG

“ *Torrey Groce lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith*



Torrey Groce - May 08, 2019 at 09:53 AM

AB

“ *Aquetta Dennis Butler lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith*



Aquetta Dennis Butler - May 08, 2019 at 08:07 AM

PB

“ *PATRICE WASHINGTON BATES lit a candle in memory of Ms Diane Marie Prater Smith*



PATRICE WASHINGTON BATES - May 06, 2019 at 11:41 AM