



## Ms. Ruth Lee Smith

April 19, 1957 - April 17, 2025

Ruth was born April 19, 1957, the daughter of Inez Jackson Smith and Charlie Jones. She received her high school diploma.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Terrence Lemond Smith; sister, Emma Ware Scott; brother, James Smith; grandmother, Carrie Jackson; and grandfather, Bill Jackson.

Ruth leaves to cherish her memories: son, Vashion Grinell; sisters, Irma Smith Burston; sister in law, Shirley Smith; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery

2975 Cannonsburg Rd.  
Natchez, MS 39120

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **25**. 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)  
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street  
Natchez, MS 39120  
(601) 445-2008  
james@westgatefh.com  
<https://westgatefuneralhome.com>

## Funeral

APR **26**. 12:00 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)  
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street  
Natchez, MS 39120  
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## Burial

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APR 26 (CT)

Bethlehem Baptist Church Cemetery  
2975 Cannonsburg Rd.  
Natchez, MS 39120

# Tribute Wall



“ Jennifer Minor-Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith



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**Jennifer Minor-Johnson** - May 17, 2025 at 06:24 PM

SM

“ Shirley Mazique lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith



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**Shirley Mazique** - May 01, 2025 at 10:20 PM

BE

“ Barbara Evans lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith



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**Barbara Evans** - April 25, 2025 at 10:12 AM

AM

“ Rest well Ruby ! I was just asking about you a couple of months ago. I will always remember you and Irma from St. Catherine Street as my neighbors and your mom, Mrs. Inez. I still remember following you around like a little sister. Get your rest sweet lady! You will not be forgotten. Love Andrea!

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**Andrea Mitchell** - April 24, 2025 at 05:19 PM

YB

“ *My prayers and my deepest condolences go's out to Smith and Burston family. I send a virtual Gift in the name of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith*



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**Yvonne Blanton Bell** - April 24, 2025 at 12:21 PM

JL

“ *Joyce Lewis lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith*



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**Joyce Lewis** - April 23, 2025 at 08:56 PM

CB

“ *I would like to send my condolences to the family of good friend Ruby, I have known her for a very long time, Well over 42yrs. I met her when she was living on AUDREY Street, I always walked past her house, spoke but kept walking with my babies, until one day she stopped me and said " baby you want to rest I got a glass of water," I came in and she talked to me like she been knowing me for years, I enjoyed the time and we became friends up until now, I confided in her as she did me. We called each other at least four times a month, sometimes just to ask how you doing? LOVE YOU FRIEND*

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**Cindy Bates** - April 23, 2025 at 07:24 PM

RW

“ Rosie Woods lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith



Rosie Woods - April 23, 2025 at 09:07 AM



“ Lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Smith



Yvonne Bell - April 18, 2025 at 07:53 PM

RC

“ Roslyn D Carter lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith



Roslyn D Carter - April 18, 2025 at 07:53 PM

MN

“ Marie Norman sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Ruth Lee Smith



Marie Norman - April 18, 2025 at 07:13 PM

WH

“ *To the Family of Ruth Smith,  
May the beautiful memories of Ruth bring you peace and strength.  
Her warmth and grace will never be forgotten by those blessed to  
know her.*

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**West Gate Funeral Home** - April 17, 2025 at 02:22 PM

GG

“ *Georgia Green lit a candle in memory of Ms.  
Ruth Lee Smith*



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**Georgia Green** - April 17, 2025 at 02:15 PM