



Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith

August 30, 1945 - April 16, 2025

Willie was born August 30, 1945 in Natchez, the son of Rosie Lee Thomas Chatman and Willie Albert Smith. He was educated in Natchez Public Schools. "Tim" was a cook/manager at KFC; construction worker; and bar owner until his retirement. He was a New Orleans Saints fan and, in his spare time, he enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ricky Chatman, Louis Chatman, Ernest Lee Smith, Willie A. Smith, and Edwin B. Smith; and sister, Emma Lee Chatman.

Willie leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife, Carolyn Miller Reed Smith; son, Jamar "J-Roc" Smith; brothers, Jesse Chatman, Jeffery (Carrie) Chatman, Moses (Velma) Robinson, Leroy (Verlean) Chatman, Charles (Jo-Anne) Smith, and Leon (Doris) Thomas; sisters, Gladys Stewart, Bobbie Johnson, Rose (Ronnie) Robinson, Diane Chatman, Carrie (Willie) Davis, Lenise (Erick) Jones, and Bobbie Jean (Eric) Ignot; stepchildren, Larry Reed, Paul Reed, and Carla Reed; god-daughter, Appollonia Jenkins; two grandsons, three great-grandsons, and host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Greater St. Mark Baptist Church Cemetery

68 McGehee Road
Natchez, MS 39120

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street
Natchez, MS 39120
(601) 445-2008
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Funeral

APR **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Greater Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church
33 Minor Street
Natchez, MS 39120

Burial

APR 26 (CT)

Greater St. Mark Baptist Church Cemetery
68 McGehee Road
Natchez, MS 39120

Tribute Wall

SM

“ Shirley Mazique lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith



Shirley Mazique - May 01, 2025 at 10:17 PM

DW

“ My Condolences and Prayers to the Family 🙏🙏🙏



Diane Washington - May 01, 2025 at 07:39 PM

BE

“ Barbara Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith



Barbara Evans - April 25, 2025 at 10:13 AM

ML

“ My Condolences & Prayers for Tim Family 🙏🙏



Maggie Lewis - April 25, 2025 at 09:18 AM

YB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr Willie Joe Tim Smith*



Yvonne Blanton Bell - April 24, 2025 at 12:13 PM

SK

“ *Sam & Kishia Kegler purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith.*



Sam & Kishia Kegler - April 24, 2025 at 09:01 AM

PS

“ *Peace Be With You, Mother Stewart.*



Pastor Larry L. Pearson, Sr. - April 24, 2025 at 08:47 AM

JB

“ *Godmother, my heart goes out to you; I know your faith in our Lord Jesus Christ will uphold you!*



Jessie Belle - April 23, 2025 at 12:45 PM

RW

“ Rosie Woods lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith



Rosie Woods - April 23, 2025 at 09:08 AM

FH

“ Condolences to the family
The Hunt's Family 💜



Florence Hunt - April 22, 2025 at 09:01 PM

RC

“ Roslyn D Carter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith



Roslyn D Carter - April 22, 2025 at 03:11 PM

MT

“ Margie L. Toles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith



Margie L. Toles - April 21, 2025 at 09:31 PM

MT

My deepest condolences to my friend Carolyn and family!!

Margie L. Toles - April 21, 2025 at 09:32 PM

BM

“ *Brenda Marsaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith*



Brenda Marsaw - April 21, 2025 at 06:23 PM



“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe Smith*



Yvonne Bell - April 18, 2025 at 07:55 PM



“ *Kelvin Allen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith*



Kelvin Allen - April 18, 2025 at 06:42 AM



“ *Kelvin Allen sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith*



Kelvin Allen - April 18, 2025 at 06:41 AM

WH

“ *To the Smith Family,
Please know that the entire West Gate family is holding you close in our hearts as you navigate the loss of Mr. Willie Smith. His memory will remain a light in the lives he touched.*

West Gate Funeral Home - April 17, 2025 at 02:19 PM

MN

“ *Marie Norman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith*



Marie Norman - April 17, 2025 at 01:44 PM

GG

“ *Georgia Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie Joe "Tim" Smith*



Georgia Green - April 17, 2025 at 09:48 AM