



Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith

February 20, 1963 - February 6, 2024

Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith, 60, of Chattanooga, passed away Tuesday, February 6, 2024. She attended Kirkman Technical High School, class of 1981. She furthered her education by graduating from Chattanooga State Technical College with an associate degree in business management. Deirdre attended Mt. Cannan Baptist Church. She will be truly missed by her family. She is preceded in death by her mother, Faye Black; father, Alvin McClanahan, Sr.; grandparents, Catherine and William Hedrick; brother, Cedric McClanahan. Survivors include longtime partner of 20 years, James Tumbling (JT); son, Curtis Smith, Jr; step-son, Cornelius Tumbling both of Chattanooga; daughter, Jamia Caslin of Chattanooga; six grandchildren; brother, Alvin (Linda) McClanahan, Jr. of Cleveland, OH; sisters, Karen (Thomas) Ware of Ringgold, GA, Valerie McClanahan, Nicole (Keith) Fontaine, and Brandee (Rashad) McCall all of Cleveland, OH; god-sister, Jacque (Troy) Williams of Chattanooga; special aunt, Frances Jones; nieces, Alexis (Fred) Gipson of Bartlett, TN, Amethyst Barnes of San Diego, CA. and Amber Barnes of Chattanooga; special friends, Sharon Davis and Catherine Johnson; a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She will lie-in-state on Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 3:00 p.m. in the chapel with Pastor Jeffrey Wilson as the eulogist.

DIRECTIONS FOR LIVE STREAM: Click the link below to view the service.

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Previous Events

Lie-In-State

FEB 17. 9:00 AM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Service

FEB 17. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CJ

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



cat Johnson - February 20, 2024 at 03:01 PM

PS

“ To Karen Black Ware, Family and Friends:
"There are no words to relieve the depth of
pain and grief that the death of Deirdre brings.
Cherish her memory and the joy she brought
to your life. May you gain strength and
understanding as the loving memories of her life continue to shine
through you and your family."
Love: Pat Shackleford-Gray, Marlene Marsh and Darlene Williams



Patricia Shackleford-Gray - February 20, 2024 at 09:59 AM

RH

“ Condolences and prayers goes out to the
family. Much love Regina Hamilton



Reginia Hamilton - February 17, 2024 at 08:41 PM

MO

“ *A sweet spirit who will truly be missed. Although knowing you was brief it was a pleasure having met you. Heaven truly gained an angel.*



Mo - February 17, 2024 at 02:07 PM

ER

“ *From your cousin Elecia Underwood Reed. Praying for comfort much love*

Elecia Gayle Reed - February 16, 2024 at 12:35 PM

SH

“ *Starlyn M Howard lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



Starlyn M Howard - February 16, 2024 at 07:47 AM

DS

“ *Donna Sails lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



donna Sails - February 15, 2024 at 09:56 AM

SB

“Dee the Blanks and Caslin family will miss your smile and your delightful ways. Now that you are in the spirit world give Momma a kiss for me. With one ❤️



Sharon Blanks - February 14, 2024 at 09:01 PM

B(

“BlueCare CS Team of Karen Ware (sister) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith.



BlueCare CS Team of Karen Ware (sister) - February 14, 2024 at 11:59 AM

CA

“My prayers and condolences to Deirdre's family. May God be with you all. I will always remember her sweet and gentle ways. Not only are we Kirkman c/o '81 graduate members, but we also attended elementary and junior high together. I pray that you all find peace with this loss.



San Drake Brown

Cassandra - February 13, 2024 at 01:58 PM

EV

“ *Eva lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



Eva - February 13, 2024 at 12:12 PM

AB

“ *Amber Barnes lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



Amber Barnes - February 13, 2024 at 10:20 AM

SW

“ *Sending my condolences 🌸 to the family.*

Shaundra Willingham - February 12, 2024 at 02:33 PM

JC

“ *Hey Mom We Miss You So Much So Glad You Made Me The Person I Am Today We Have So Many Memories Together. Im Going To Miss Everything About You, You Taught Me Everything Except How To Live Without You...Please Watch Over Us I Love You..*

Jamia Caslin - February 12, 2024 at 02:05 PM

VD

“ *Sending my condolences and prayers to the family*



Valerie Decree - February 12, 2024 at 01:53 PM

JC

“ *Jamia Caslin lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



Jamia Caslin - February 12, 2024 at 01:31 PM

SD

“ *Dee Smith, there are so many wonderful memories I have to share about our time together. Seems like a lifetime of memories. I'm so thankful for the time God gave us, however we could have used another 100 years together and that still would not have been enough. I'm missing you already, Bestie. I am so sorry you had to leave us. My heart is broken along with your family. We loved you, but God loved you more. Rest in peace my friend. I will see you when I get to Heaven.*



Sharon Davis - February 09, 2024 at 04:33 PM

JW

My sincere condolences to the family and friends

Jeanette woods - February 14, 2024 at 05:37 PM

JS

hey bookie i miss you wach over me love you ❤️❤️

jadairus smith - March 19, 2024 at 11:19 AM

AM

“ *Angela Benning Mckibben lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



Angela Benning Mckibben - February 09, 2024 at 12:23 PM

AL

“ *Dee and i worked together she always had a smile no matter what was going on and was a true friend she will truly be missed prayers for the family.*

Alicia - February 09, 2024 at 09:29 AM

SK

“ *Sophie R King lit a candle in memory of Deirdre Michelle Caslin Smith*



Sophie R King - February 08, 2024 at 03:02 PM

SK

My deepest condolences to her family. RIP my friend I'm gone miss u.

Sophie R King - February 08, 2024 at 03:03 PM

AS

Always had a bright smile on her face ,Kirkman Class of "1981",we will miss you. Althea Word-Smith

Althea Smith - February 13, 2024 at 08:00 AM