



Fai Lee Smith

January 14, 1955 - June 28, 2024

Fai Lee Smith, 69, of Chattanooga, passed away Friday, June 28, 2024, in a local hospital. She was a 1972 graduate of Riverside High School and received her Associate degree in Accounting from Chattanooga State. Fai was an Accountant with Guardian Investments & Accounting and Eagle Power. Although her formal training was in Accounting, Fai's God-given talent was in teaching and training. She worked as a Senior Trainer for TVA and later the Senn-Delaney Consulting group; travelling through the Tennessee valley for TVA and nation-wide with Senn-Delaney. Fai, a long and faithful member of Oakwood Baptist Church, where utilized both her formal training and God-given gifts. She was a Sunday school teacher of a "hybrid" class, welcoming church goers of all ages, gender and backgrounds. She utilized the standard Sunday school books, but studied the text and shared her views on what the Word meant and then engaged her class on how to apply it in everyday activities. She also served on different committees and organizations in the church, as well as being the church Accountant until her health declined. Fai was preceded in death by her father, William Lee; mother, Maude Lee; brother, Wanza Lee; her sister, Juanita Lemon; brothers, William Edward Lee, Tyrone Lee, Wayne Lee, and Denson Lee; and son, Landreau Smith, Sr. Cherishing her memories include her husband of 52 years, Terry Smith, Sr.; son, Terry "Smitty" (Linette) Smith, Jr. of Chattanooga, TN; honorary daughter, Tawana of Murfreesboro, TN; daughter-in-law, Raphea (Tyson) Porter of Ooltewah, TN; 6 grandchildren, Jacques Smith, Terry Smith,

III, Ariyiona Smith, Trinity Smith, Zion Clark, and Landreau Smith, Jr.; 2 great-grandchildren, Isaiah Smith and Ianna Smith; sisters-in-law, Sharron Smith of Ft. Oglethorpe, GA, Lonita Lee, and Carol Lee; a host of nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives; special friends, Renita, Lamont, Maggie, Leon, Walter, Lynn; beloved church family at Oakwood Baptist Church. Fai will lie-in-state on Friday, July 12, 2024, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 12:00 noon at Oakwood Baptist Church with Ministers Walter Cross and Ken Clark giving words of comfort. Burial in Chattanooga National Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Chattanooga National Cemetery

1200 Bailey Ave
Chattanooga, TN 37404

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

JUL 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Service

JUL 12. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Oakwood Baptist Church
4501 Bonny Oaks Dr
Chattanooga, TN 37416-3869
(423) 892-6414

Tribute Wall

BH

“ She was a wonderful and caring lady. She inspired a lot of ladies how to walk with the Lord. She will be missed in so many ways. She has ran her race and finished it. Love u Mrs. Fai Smith 🙏



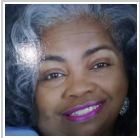
Betty Holland - July 11, 2024 at 08:04 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Fai Lee Smith.



July 11, 2024 at 11:42 AM



“ Prayers for the family and Friends of this Beautiful and Great Lady.I have known her for years and she was a Lady in every way. She was extremely kind and a Great wife and caring Mother for her children..



Janice Smith - July 11, 2024 at 12:49 AM

MR

“ Condolences to my family! 🙏🙏🙏
Miz Rose 🌹



Miz Rose - July 10, 2024 at 06:33 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Fai Lee Smith.



July 10, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ Prayers for the family. Classmate Mr. Terry Smith. Class of Riverside 1971.



Joann Whitlock - July 10, 2024 at 12:29 PM



“ Marva Taylor lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Marva Taylor - July 09, 2024 at 06:11 PM



“ Connie Hatten lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Connie Hatten - July 09, 2024 at 09:56 AM

CH

“ So sorry for your loss Smitty sending my condolences and prayers to you and your family .BHS Class of 1990

Connie Hatten - July 09, 2024 at 09:56 AM

ED

“ Ernest Duke lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Ernest Duke - July 08, 2024 at 01:08 PM

EW

“ MAY GOD BLESS YOU TERRY AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS IN THESE HOURS...WE WILL UNDERSTAND IT BETTER BYE AND BYE....FROM EDITH STEWART WADLEY

EDITH STEWART WADLEY - July 06, 2024 at 03:30 PM

MB

“ Praying for the Smith family in these trying times



MICKEY BATTLE - July 06, 2024 at 03:11 PM

MT

“ *Marva B Taylor lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith*



Marva B Taylor - July 05, 2024 at 11:21 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Fai Lee Smith.*



July 05, 2024 at 04:16 PM

FF

“ *From Eagle Power Services family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Fai Lee Smith.*

From Eagle Power Services family - July 05, 2024 at 04:16 PM

MB

“ *MICKEY BATTLE lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith*



MICKEY BATTLE - July 05, 2024 at 10:10 AM

BA

“ *Brenda Autry lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith*



Brenda Autry - July 03, 2024 at 10:14 PM

JB

“ *Janice Beard lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith*



Janice Beard - July 02, 2024 at 03:03 PM

IH

“ *Fai was one of the finest Christians I ever knew. A woman that loved the Lord with all her heart. She will be missed greatly by those who knew her. I am so glad I got to know her at TVA in the 90s.*
Ilena Holder

ilena holder - July 02, 2024 at 01:28 PM

SR

Fai was a beautiful lady who exuded love and kindness. May she rest in eternal peace. Scott and Willene Randolph of East St Louis IL (Great grandparents of Landreau Jr.

Scott & Willene Randolph - July 05, 2024 at 09:53 AM

PA

“ Patricia Woods Akins lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Patricia Woods Akins - July 02, 2024 at 01:00 PM

DW

“ Debra Wheeler lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Debra Wheeler - July 01, 2024 at 08:07 PM

TB

“ Theresa Swopes Barnes lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Theresa Swopes Barnes - July 01, 2024 at 07:22 PM

SS

“ Stephanie Saxton lit a candle in memory of Fai Lee Smith



Stephanie Saxton - July 01, 2024 at 11:46 AM

SS

My heartfelt condolences go out to my classmate Terry and the family in your time of sorrow. May God comfort, sustain, and keep you and your family in the days to come. Fai will be truly missed. Stephanie Visher Saxton and Family

Stephanie Saxton - July 01, 2024 at 11:56 AM

SS

“ My sincere condolences to the entire family and dear friends. Fai was a very sweet lady and will be missed. Rest in heaven. Love you! From the Shibley Family on Riverside Dr. Community.

Sharon Shibley - June 30, 2024 at 05:57 AM