



A Celebration of Life

And Thanksgiving

For

Mr. Hilbert Payne Smiley



Alpha:

November 26, 1926

Omega:

August 27, 2003

A Beautiful Diamond

Order of Service

Tributes

Biographical Sketch

Portraits of Memory



~ Service ~

Friday, September 5, 2003
Eleven O'Clock In The Morning



GREATER OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

9829 Sandra Street
Houston, Texas

The Late, Dr. Jesse Henry Jones, Pastor
Rev. A. G. Wiley, Officiating



Remember A Beautiful Diamond

*As you stand looking at me please try not to cry, for
As long as I am remembered I will never die.
I know this sounds hard, but it's like opening a book.
I will be all around if you know where to look.*

*When you stand in the yard watching birds fly high,
Just smile and wave, it might be me passing by,
As the sunlight and moonlight glitter like diamonds on fresh fallen snow,
These will be my thoughts of love and devotion setting the field all aglow.*

*Love holds it together, so dry away your tears,
I will be in your thoughts for many, many, many years.*

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Prelude Musician
Processional Clergy and Family
A Glimpse Til Glory Oscar Johnson Funeral Home Staff
Song Congregation
Comfort From The Holy Scripture
Old Testament Rev. Charles Powell
New Testament Rev. Percy Myles

Prayer Rev. Felton Hines
Solo Bro. Zachary Watts
Resolutions:
Greater Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church
Others

Solo Sis. Ashley Cooper
Expressions (Two Minutes Please)
Acknowledgement
Biographical Sketch (Read Silently) Soft Music
Words of Consolation Rev. Leroy Woodard, Jr.
Christian Rescue Mission Church
Solo Sis. Fannie Littles
EULOGY **REV. A. G. WILEY**
Recessional "I'll Fly Away"

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Precious Memories



To Daddy

Daddy, when it hurt, you bandaged it. When we were sick, you doctored on us. When we cried you wiped away our tears. When we were hungry you fed us. God gave you three girls and you lost one. God has a plan and his work is never done. You are in a better place. This is not a test and this road we all will have to face. No more worries, pains or sickness. Now that you are gone and your soul is free, sleep on.

- - - Love Your Daughters,
Ida Mae Wilson and Dianna Simien

PAPA

We love you but God loved you more, although you are gone, your happy memories will forever live on. Rest in Peace. We will always love and miss you.

- - - - The Grandchildren,
Dinah Nicole Smiley of San Diego, CA
Dr. Kim Monique McLemore of Mobile, Alabama



I Love You PaPa
Great Grandchild, Amani Abram



H.P., when I came to your door you let me in. When I needed a helping hand you did that. When my days were dark, you brought me light. When God took you away you did not put up a fight. You are in a better place and now you are free. Through all the storms and rain, God promised that I will see you again.

- - - - **LOVE YOUR SISTER, LOIS**

"And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me, write, Blessed, are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth: Yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

--- Rev. 14:13

Biographical Sketch

Hilbert Payne Smiley

PARENTS: The late Johnnie Smiley, Sr. and the late Ida Dixon Smiley

BIRTHPLACE: Groveton, Texas

CHURCH AFFILIATION: Baldwin Chapel Baptist Church - Groveton, Texas
Greater Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church - Houston, Texas

SCHOOL ATTENDED: Groveton High School

MILITARY SERVICE: United States Navy

OCCUPATION: Construction, Foreman

PLACE OF RESIDENCES: Groveton, Odessa and Houston, Texas

MARRIAGES: Orstella Smiley (Deceased)
Sewilla Smiley (Deceased 1989)

DAUGHTERS (3): Ida Mae Wilson, Diann Simien (Jules) all of Houston, Texas
Shirley Smiley (Deceased)

GRANDCHILDREN (2): Dr. Kim Monique McLemore of Mobile, AL
Dinah Nicole Smiley of San Diego, CA - (United States Navy)

GREAT GRANDCHILD: Amani Elise Abram of San Diego, CA

SISTERS (6): Gladys Johnson (Deceased)
Pearl Owens (Freddie), Delicy Watts (Willie),
Doris Jean Benjamin (Thomas Sr.), Mona Wallace and Lois Taylor

BROTHERS (5): Johnnie Smiley, Jr. (Deceased) - Ida Mae,
Eugene "Buddy Yo" Smiley (Deceased)
Alfred Smiley (Deceased)
Richard Smiley (Deceased)
Willie Edward Smiley (Geneva)

GOD BROTHER: Ray Jackson



As We Say Good-Bye

When the Father says,
 "Come home:
 And opens wide the door,
 We are sad because we cannot see
 Our loved one anymore,
 And yet we know, beyond that door,
 You are in a glorious place
 Where everything is perfect,
 Where you will see the Savior's face,
 And The Savior will send HIS Spirit down
 To soothe each grieving heart
 Until we join you "Hilbert",
 Home at last . . . home at last . . . home at last . . .
 No more to part.

*Love Always,
 Your Brother and Sisters*

Active Pallbearers

Nephews

*Roosevelt Taylor, Jr.
Don Edward Taylor
Lawrence Ray Taylor*

*John Wayne Johnson
Frederick Lynn Watts
Don Wayne Owens*

Honorary Pallbearers

*Willie Edward Smiley
Ray Jackson
Jason Smiley
Melvin Jones*

*Thomas Benjamin, Jr.
Gary Lynn Owens
Wayne Smiley
Cecil Wallace*

Acknowledgement

We are profoundly grateful for each and every expression of love and concern during this period of transition. We've been comforted by your visits, telephone calls, cards and flowers, which will forever be cherished. It is our earnest and sincere prayer that all God's choice and enriched blessings will be showered upon you with unlimited and abundant measures.

- - - The Smiley Family

Interment

Houston National Cemetery

18418 Veterans Memorial Drive - Houston, Texas



*Lunch Will Be Served Following The Interment
At The Home of Mona Wallace - 2610 Trout Street*



Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

OSCAR JOHNSON MORTUARY

415 Berry Road - Houston, Texas

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