

The Order of Service

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
*Mrs. Willie Mae Daniel Smothers*

PRESIDING | Rev. Lawrence Bryant  
Pastor, Zion Hope Baptist Church

Processional.....led by Bishop Derek L. McClendon

*Last Glance and Final Closure*

Hymn.....Deacon Booker T. Jones

Prayer.....Deacon Booker T. Jones

Scripture

Old Testament.....Bishop McClendon  
*or Appointee*

New Testament.....Rev. W. G. Grover  
Holley Grove Baptist Church | Vienna, GA

Selection.....Sis. Dorothy McCray

*Reflections*

Open to Family and Friends | *limit to 2 minutes*

Selection.....Sis. Dorothy McCray

Eulogy.....Bishop Derek L. McClendon  
God's Power & Deliverance  
Ministries | Jonesboro, GA

Acknowledgements and  
Presentation of the

Family Bible.....Barnum Staff

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*Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off  
or to silent mode during the services. Thank you.*

*To Our Mother*

We miss your smile, your gentle face  
and all the things you did with grace.  
We miss the love from your big heart  
and all the joys you did impart.  
Each day we fold our hands in prayers  
and hope that you are happy there, where all is peaceful  
and serene and where you reign as Heavenly Queen.

*Mrs. Willie Mae Daniel Smothers*  
July 5, 1932 - January 10, 2024

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST

Israel Cemetery

Americus, GA 31709

Officiant: Elder James Robinson

Victorious Church | Jacksonville, FL

**Pallbearers**

Mr. Howard Smothers, Jr. | Mr. Jahkari Smothers  
Mr. Gary Daniel | Mr. Dennis Jerome Goldsmith  
Mr. Willie Douglas Goldsmith | Mr. Jamie Benyard

**Flower Attendants**

Friends of the Family

*Our Sincere Thanks*

Jesus promised us they who mourned would be comforted.  
During our hours of bereavement, this promise has been fulfilled  
by you, our kind and loving friends and neighbors. THANK YOU  
each for coming to help us bear our grief. Your calls, visits, prayers,  
and kindness in acts and deeds during the passing  
of our loved one shall never be forgotten.

THE FAMILY

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:

**Barnum Funeral Home, Inc.**

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CELEBRATING  
THE LIFE

*Mrs. Willie Mae Daniel Smothers*  
Sunrise: July 5, 1932      Sunset: January 10, 2024



**Saturday, January 20, 2024 | 11:00 a.m.**

**Zion Hope Baptist Church**

1681 US-19, Americus, Georgia 31719

Pastor, Rev. Lawrence Bryant

**OFFICIANT: Bishop Derek L. McClendon**

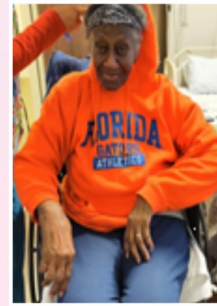
**Pastor, God's Power & Deliverance Ministries | Jonesboro, GA**

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The Obituary

*Mrs. Willie Mae Daniel Smothers* was born in Sumter County, Georgia on July 5, 1932, to the parentage of the late Mr. Zack Daniel and the late Mrs. Anna Gatewood Daniel. She received her education in the public schools of Sumter County. At an early age, she joined the Daniel Grove Baptist Church. On November 13, 1969, she married the late Mr. Howard Smothers and after moving to Jacksonville, Florida, she joined the Mt. Ararat Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Mary McCloud Bethune Circle. She was employed with the Duval County School System for over 27 years as a cook, and she was a cook at Eastview Elementary School in Americus, Georgia.

Left to cherish her memories are three sons: Mr. Howard Smothers, Jr., Jacksonville, FL; Mr. Dennis Jerome (Marcia) Goldsmith, Orlando, FL and Mr. Willie Douglas Goldsmith, Jacksonville, FL; one daughter, Mrs. Marchita (William) Wynn of Atlanta, GA; one brother, Mr. Felder Daniel, Leslie, GA; two sisters, Ms. Annie Bell Lynch, St. Louis, MO and Ms. Geneva Daniel, Leslie, GA; a sister-in-law, Ms. Bernice Smothers Wiley, Americus, GA; her grandchildren: Howard Smothers, III, Hannah Smothers, Jahkari Smothers, Sherielle Goldsmith, Stuart Hughes and Clairiess Westmoreland; and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends also survive.



My Father's way may twist and turn.  
My heart may throb and ache,  
but in my soul, I am glad to know,  
HE MAKETH NO MISTAKE.

My cherished plans may go astray.  
My hopes may fade away,  
but still, I trust my Lord to lead,  
for He doth know the way.  
Though night be dark and it may seem  
that the day will never break,  
but I'll pin my fait, my all on Him.  
HE MAKETH NO MISTAKE.

There's so much now I cannot see.  
My eye sight is far too dim,  
but come what may,  
I'll simply trust  
and leave it all to Him.  
For by-and-by the mist lifts  
and plain it all  
He'll make through all the way.  
Though dark to me,  
HE MAKETH NO MISTAKE.

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