

# *The Family Tribute*

## **Mr. Flake Smith**

*A smile for all, a heart of gold, one of the finest this world could hold  
Never selfish, always kind, these are the memories, he leaves behind....*

**Mr. Flake Smith**, affectionately known as “**Jack**”, was born in Iredell County on January 8, 1929, and was the son of the late Charles and Addie Feimster Smith. He departed this life on Friday, April 17, 2020, at his home in New York.

He graduated from Unity High School and served in the United States Army and was honorably discharged. He was a member of the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Queens, New York, where he served as treasurer. He later joined Allen AME Church in Queens, New York, where he served faithfully until his death. He worked at Associates Cuts Flower Shop for twenty years, and for a number of years, he owned and operated a Limousine Service with Al Morrison, his best friend. Flake loved the Yankees, that was his favorite team, he also enjoyed cooking Sunday Dinner, and had a green thumb when it came to plants and yard work.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Flake “Kim” Smith, Jr., six sisters, Macy, Blanche, Mary, Rachael, Pauline and Evelyn; five brothers, James, Horace, Bill, Rayford and Raymond. He was formerly married to Furrell Morrison, who preceded him in death.

He leaves to cherish the memory of his life, his sons, Gregory C. Smith and Christopher C. Smith, both of the home; three grandchildren, Anya Smith, Christopher Hargrove and Deanne Johnson; two great grandchildren, Charles Johnson and Cedric Johnson; a sister-in-law, Emma Jean Morrison Huggins; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

***Day is done, Gone the sun,  
From the lake, from the hills,***

***from the sky;***

***All is Well, Safely Rest...***

***God IS Nigh!***



## ***The Order of Service***

***Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home***

***Statesville, North Carolina***

***Friday, May 1, 2020***

***1:00 p.m.***

***Reverend Robert Ramseur, Officiating***

The Processional

The Invocation

The Solo ..... Ms. Wendy Scott

The Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

The Prayer of Comfort

The Acknowledgments

The Commemorative Presentation .....Funeral Director

The Solo .....Ms. Wendy Scott

The Eulogy..... Reverend Robert Ramseur

The Committal

The Benediction

The Recessional

***At The Freedom Presbyterian Church Cemetery***

*The Gathering of the Christian Community*

*The Placing of the Casket*

*The Final Departure*



***Don't spend too much***

***time in mourning,***

***Tears are for the sad***

***I left to be with Jesus***

***And this should make you glad.***

***Don't waste your hours in grieving***

***No need o feel distress.***

***I'm tired of life's frustrations,***

***And had to get some rest.***

***Don't stress yourself with questions***

***Or try to reason why;***

***Life here for me was ended,***

***It came my time to die***

***Don't lose the love I gave you,***

***Feed it with your care.***

***Grow it with devotion,***

***And spread it everywhere,***

***Don't free because my leaving***

***Came in such a way***

***We'll have another meeting***

***On God's eternal day!***

***Author unknown***

***Submitted with Love,***

***By the Family***



***The Love of Family  
Runs Deep!!***



KIM

GREG

CHRIS



*In tears we saw you sinking  
And watched you fade away  
Our hearts were almost broken  
We wanted you to stay  
But when we saw you sleeping  
So peacefully and free from pain  
How could we wish you back with us  
To suffer that again.  
It breaks our hearts to lose you  
But you did not go alone  
For part of us went with you  
The day God called you home.*

### *With Our Thanks*

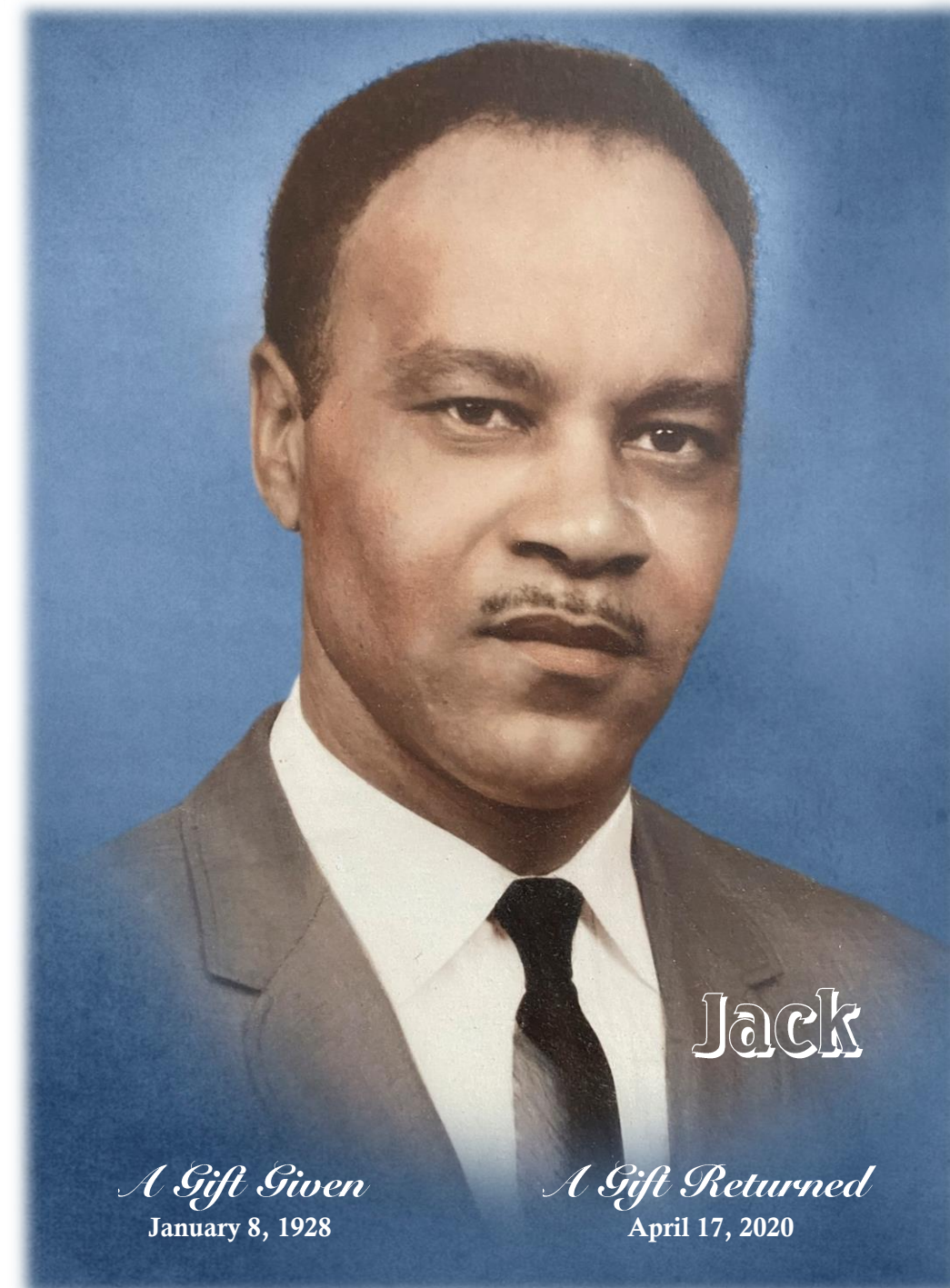
...that we through the patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope, (Romans 15) God has given us our church family, neighbors and dear friends, to help us as we go forward. **God's Word has been manifested through** your many expressions of sympathy and support; **we praise God from whom all blessings flow.** Thank you for honoring the memory of our beloved "Jack" and for remembering us during his passing. In our risen Lord, we have peace that passes all understanding.

*The Family*



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## *Celebrating the Life of* ***Mr. Flake Smith***



*A Gift Given*  
January 8, 1928

*A Gift Returned*  
April 17, 2020

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