

*Homegoing Celebration
for
Kenneth Lee Smith*



*Sunrise
November 11, 1962*

*Sunset
November 28, 2019*

*Services
Friday, December 20, 2019
2:00 p.m.*

*Polk-Clark Enrichment Center
1041 Harris Street
Milan, Tennessee*

Bishop Mark Allen Smith, Officiating

Obituary

Kenneth Lee Smith

Kenneth Lee Smith was born on November 11, 1962, in Milan, Tennessee. On Thursday, November 28, 2019, God sent his death angel to guide “Kenny” home to be with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Kenny was born in Milan, the baby, to the late Ernestine Smith and attended Milan High School graduating in 1981. He was offered a four year football scholarship from UT Martin, but elected to enroll at Tennessee State University (TSU) and attended TSU from 1981-1983, majoring in Communications before enlisting into the U.S. Air Force.

Kenny was united in marriage to Pamela Walker. From this union two children were born: two daughters, Courtney and Cydney Smith.

As a resident of Tennessee for most of his life, he was an accomplished athlete that excelled in all sports—baseball, basketball and football.

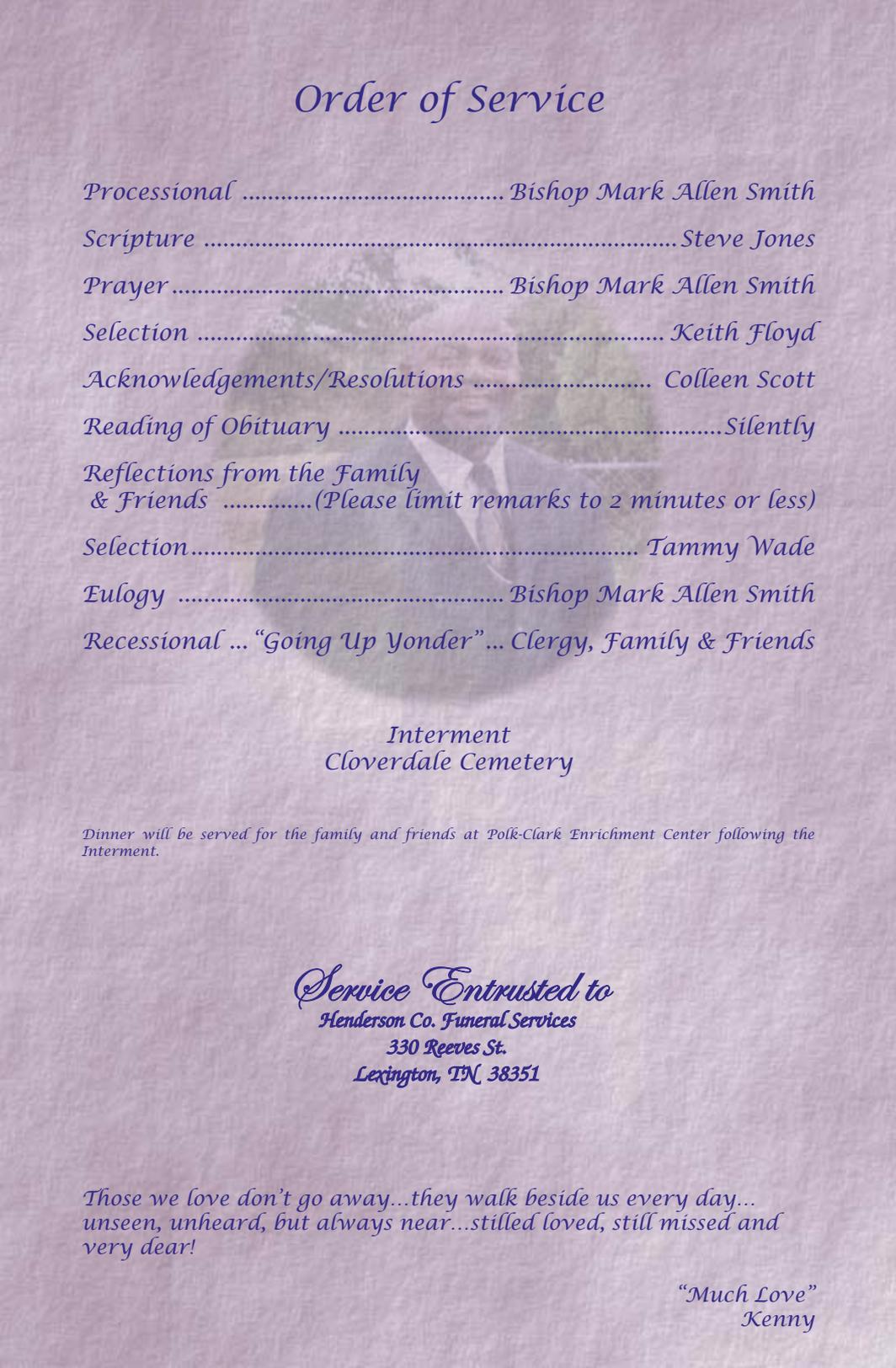
Kenny was preceded in death by his mother, Ernestine Smith; and brother, Leroy Porter.

He leaves to cherish his memory: His wife, Pamela Walker Smith; His daughters, Courtney Smith of Montana and Cydney Smith of Nashville, TN. Two brothers: John E. Smith (Deborah) of Urbandale, IA and Stevie Smith of San Antonio, TX; Four Sisters: Blanch Williamson of Milan, TN; Delois Taylor (James) and Nanette Strayhorn (Harry) both of San Antonio, TX; and Susie Wright of Columbus, OH. Kenny also leaves to fondly remember him, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, numerous friends and extended family. We are thankful for the precious memories of “Kenny” and will truly, truly miss him!



For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Order of Service



Processional	Bishop Mark Allen Smith
Scripture	Steve Jones
Prayer	Bishop Mark Allen Smith
Selection	Keith Floyd
Acknowledgements/Resolutions	Colleen Scott
Reading of Obituary	Silently
Reflections from the Family & Friends	(Please limit remarks to 2 minutes or less)
Selection.....	Tammy Wade
Eulogy	Bishop Mark Allen Smith
Recessional ... “Going Up Yonder” ...	Clergy, Family & Friends

Interment
Cloverdale Cemetery

Dinner will be served for the family and friends at Polk-Clark Enrichment Center following the Interment.

Service Entrusted to
Henderson Co. Funeral Services
330 Reeves St.
Lexington, TN 38351

Those we love don't go away...they walk beside us every day...
unseen, unheard, but always near...stilled loved, still missed and
very dear!

“Much Love”
Kenny

GONE HOME TO BE WITH JESUS

God saw Kenny Lee was getting tired, and a cure was not to be
So he wrapped him in his loving arms and whispered, Kenny come with me
He suffered long and hard and did not complain, his spirit was always with God until
the end

We know he is in a much better place, just around the bend
He tried so very hard to stay with us, just fighting at every turn, but it was not to be
Because God saw that it was time for him to go and time for him to be set free

Those we truly love is never lost to us
We feel their presence in many ways, through friends and family in God we trust

We all have a different journey and we follow different paths along the way

But we all still belong to God and in his loving arms we will stay

For this journey that we must take and we must travel it alone

It's all part of the master's plan, just the final step on our way home

Even though we cannot see or hear him, we know that he will always be near

And if we listen with our hearts, we can always hear

As we all know, life is just a stepping stone, and a pause in what's meant to be

Just a resting place along the way to sweet eternity

So God stretched out his hand on November 28, 2019, and he took it in the name of love

Eager to reside with Mama Susie, Ernestine, and Leroy in his home up above

Kenny is in a place in heaven, rejoicing by the master's side

It is far away from hunger, hurt, want and pride

We know his life on earth was as good as earthly life can be

But paradise is so much better than anyone can know or see

Please forget any unkind words that he spoke along the way

Only remember the good that he has done at the end of the day

Remember that the God we serve makes no mistake

Only God knew it was time for him to make that journey alone for goodness sake

He is with God and filled with happiness and rejoicing too

He is walking with God in his perfect peace and joy forever and ever

It's ok to miss him and shed a few tears

As you think of all the fond memories and the laughter throughout the years

Just remember when your time is up and you must come his way alone

Kenny will be there to greet you Delois, Susie, John Earl, Stevie, Nanette, and Blanche

With a great big smile and welcome you home.

~~Blanche Williamson

Pallbearers

Ernest Coleman

Jeff Smith

Sam Dance

Howard Taylor

Devon Johnson

Kenneth White

Acknowledgements

Perhaps you sang a lovely song, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers, if so, we saw them there. Perhaps you stayed at home, just thought of us that day. Perhaps you prepared some tasty foods, or maybe furnished a car. Perhaps you rendered a service unseen, near at hand or from afar. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much whatever the part.

May God's richest blessings be yours!

The Family