



Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young

August 16, 1956 - April 26, 2025

Varlene “T-Niney” Smith-Young was born on August 16, 1956, in Willisville, Arkansas, to Ms. Cassie Blake and Mr. Birtheen Smith.

She attended Oak Grove High School and graduated with the Class of 1977. At an early age, Varlene accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and became a devoted member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Willisville, AR.

Varlene worked for many years at Columbia Sewing in Magnolia, AR, and Carpet Cushion in Prescott, AR, where she was known for her dedication and strong work ethic. Those who knew Varlene would describe her as feisty, strong-willed, and full of life. She had a big personality, a generous heart, and a spirit that left a lasting impression on everyone she met.

On Saturday, April 26, 2025, Varlene peacefully made her transition from labor to reward at her home, surrounded by the love of her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cassie Blake and Birtheen Smith; four brothers— George Banks, Jerry Smith, Charles Lambert, and Terry Smith; four sisters—Mae Ella Smith, Dorothy Smith, Paulene Smith, and Murline Smith; and two nephews—Danny Payne and Jerry Smith Jr.

Varlene leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband, Truman Young; five sisters— Darlene Young of Magnolia, AR; Annie Smith of Fairview, TX; Alfredia Smith of Willisville, AR; Bobbie Smith of Dallas, TX; and Cathy Smith of Waco, TX; and two brothers—Bobby Smith of Trotwood, OH, and Rickey Smith of Camden, AR; five stepchildren — Lashanda Fears of Texarkana, AR; Dawn Fears of McKinney, TX; Bridgette Robinson of Magnolia, AR; and Katrina Fears and Bobby Young of Waldo, AR — eleven step-grandchildren— as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends who will forever remember her vibrant spirit and unwavering love.

Celebration of Life services will be held Saturday, May 10th, 2025, at R.L. Reed Funeral Home Chapel in Magnolia, Arkansas at 2:30 p.m., with burial to follow at St. Peters Cemetery in Willisville, Arkansas, under the direction of R.L. Reed Funeral Home, LLC. Minister Felton McKinney, Eulogist.

Visitation will be held Friday {May 9th}, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., at R.L. Reed Funeral Home in Magnolia.

“For precaution due to the COVID-19, Masks are Encouraged but Not Required While Attending the Services and During Visitation Hours. However, wearing masks ensures safety for you and others. Thank you.”

Cemetery Details

St. Peter Cemetery

Nevada Rd. 164
Willisville, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

R.L. Reed Funeral Home
100 Hwy 79 North
Magnolia, AR 71753
(870) 901-3536

Celebration of Life

MAY 10. 2:30 PM (CT)

R.L. Reed Funeral Home Chapel
100 HWY 79 NORTH
Magnolia, AR

Tribute Wall

KR

“ *Kenneth Ransom lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Kenneth Ransom - January 31 at 01:46 PM

LW

“ *Linda Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Linda Walker - May 19, 2025 at 11:52 AM

RH

“ *My condolences to her family and friends*



Regina Henderson - May 10, 2025 at 11:16 AM

OJ

“ *Praying for the family*



olivia Johnson - May 09, 2025 at 11:35 PM

GC

“ Gwen Carter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Gwen Carter - May 09, 2025 at 04:55 PM

GS

“ Peace, prayers and blessings to the family of Mrs. Varlene Smith-Young. With sincere condolences.
Gloria Scoggin and Family

Gloria Scoggin - May 09, 2025 at 02:23 PM

W/

“ Willie Mixon and the Mixon's Family /Mac purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young.



Willie Mixon and the Mixon's Family /Mac - May 09, 2025 at 10:31 AM

W/

“ Willie Mixon and the Mixon's Family /Mac planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young.

Willie Mixon and the Mixon's Family /Mac - May 09, 2025 at 10:31 AM

AW

“ *Annie Witcher lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Annie Witcher - May 09, 2025 at 10:19 AM

SM

“ *Sherry Marshall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Sherry Marshall - May 08, 2025 at 02:28 PM

RB

“ *Roy J Beasley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Roy j Beasley - May 07, 2025 at 09:53 AM

MP

“ *Mary S. Pickings lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Mary S. Pickings - May 04, 2025 at 11:11 PM

HF

“ Hazel Mask Smith & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Hazel Mask Smith & Family - May 04, 2025 at 04:13 AM

HF

“ Hazel Mask Smith & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Hazel Mask Smith & Family - May 04, 2025 at 04:13 AM

BH

“ TO MY FAMILY IT WAS SADDENED TO HEAR OF VARLENE PASSING BUT GOD IS STILL IN CHARGE OF OUR LIVES HE MAKES NO MISTAKE AND I KNOW HE CAN DO ANYTHING BUT FAIL VARLENE WAS A SWEET LOVING PERSON YOU WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED ❤️🌹



Barbara Heard - May 02, 2025 at 08:12 PM

DL

“ May my dear Aunt rest in peace.



Dylan Lambert - May 01, 2025 at 06:45 PM

WC

“ *Williams Caswell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Williams caswell - April 30, 2025 at 03:19 PM

CW

“ *Chester And Dorothy Witcher sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Chester and Dorothy Witcher - April 30, 2025 at 01:35 PM

DW

“ *Dorothy Shaw Witcher sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Dorothy Shaw Witcher - April 30, 2025 at 01:34 PM

TP

“ *Torrence Pearson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Torrence Pearson - April 30, 2025 at 01:28 AM

DY

“ *Darlene Young lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Darlene young - April 29, 2025 at 11:05 PM

AB

“ *Ann Blake lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Ann Blake - April 29, 2025 at 08:41 PM

HS

“ *Harvest & Vivian Smith purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young.*



Harvest & Vivian Smith - April 29, 2025 at 05:29 PM

HS

“ *Herschel Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Herschel Sanders - April 29, 2025 at 01:47 PM

BE

“ *Burlene Easter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Burlene Easter - April 29, 2025 at 12:13 AM

MM

“ *Melvin Madison lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Melvin Madison - April 28, 2025 at 09:06 PM



“ *Betty Chappel-Wright lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Betty Chappel-Wright - April 28, 2025 at 08:23 PM

NA

“ *Thanks for all the love and care you showed me. May your soul rest in peace.
Love you Aunt Tina
From Nosa*

Nosa Aliu - April 28, 2025 at 05:00 PM

PM

“ *Peggy Martin-Weaver lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Peggy Martin-Weaver - April 28, 2025 at 04:07 PM

SM

“ *Sally Muldrow lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Sally Muldrow - April 28, 2025 at 02:39 PM

LF

“ *Lyndell Franklin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Lyndell Franklin - April 28, 2025 at 12:44 PM

MB

“ *Minnie Beasley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Minnie Beasley - April 28, 2025 at 11:47 AM



“ *John Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



John Jackson - April 28, 2025 at 11:46 AM



“ *Renni Oginni lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Renni Oginni - April 28, 2025 at 01:18 AM



It was a pleasure meeting you through Lolisha . RIH

Renni Oginni - April 28, 2025 at 01:19 AM



“ *I am sorry for your loss.*

Hellen Jones - April 28, 2025 at 01:06 AM



“ *Edna Rowden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Edna Rowden - April 27, 2025 at 11:53 PM

TM

“ *Tonya Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Tonya Martin - April 27, 2025 at 10:35 PM

HJ

“ *It was an honor to meet and love you! You were family to me and I will cherish our moments! Prayers to your husband and your family*



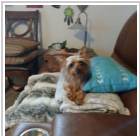
Haley Martin Jones - April 27, 2025 at 09:46 PM

TE

“ *Tearee Easter lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Tearee Easter - April 27, 2025 at 07:36 PM



“ *Leonard Pearson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Leonard Pearson - April 27, 2025 at 06:08 PM

DH

“ Dearlean Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Dearlean Hughes - April 27, 2025 at 10:44 AM



“ Carla Dockery-Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Carla Dockery-Sanders - April 27, 2025 at 09:45 AM

LW

“ Lakesha Witcher lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Lakesha Witcher - April 27, 2025 at 09:21 AM

JK

“ James King lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



James King - April 27, 2025 at 02:24 AM

OR

“ *Ora Radford lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Ora Radford - April 27, 2025 at 01:56 AM

JM

“ *Jake And Jennie Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Jake and jennie martin - April 27, 2025 at 01:27 AM

BR

“ *To know you wax to love you. Thank you for loving my baby and being there for him. He love you so much!! On behalf of Jamie get your rest Auntie until we meet again!! Sending my condolences to the rest of the family!!*



Brenda Rose - April 27, 2025 at 12:24 AM

NP

“ *Nellie Paden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Nellie Paden - April 26, 2025 at 09:25 PM

TJ

“ Tonya Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Tonya Johnson - April 26, 2025 at 06:26 PM



“ Michael Pearson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Michael Pearson - April 26, 2025 at 06:13 PM

DA

“ Dannielle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Dannielle - April 26, 2025 at 06:07 PM

GS

“ Glen & Shaunda Scoggins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Glen & Shaunda Scoggins - April 26, 2025 at 05:34 PM

MG

“ Get your rest auntie we all going to miss you down here love you forever praying for my family 🙏



Marjory green - April 26, 2025 at 01:57 PM

RF

“ Ramona Fears sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Ramona Fears - April 26, 2025 at 01:41 PM

RF

“ Ramona Fears lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Ramona Fears - April 26, 2025 at 01:41 PM

LS

“ Lolisha Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young



Lolisha Smith - April 26, 2025 at 12:45 PM

DM

“ *Sincere condolences to the family*



Douglas & Cassandra Moss - April 26, 2025 at 12:40 PM

JM

“ *Janice Martin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Janice Martin - April 26, 2025 at 11:47 AM

WP

“ *Willie Parrish lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



willie parrish - April 26, 2025 at 11:28 AM

SB

“ *Sylvia Briggs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Varlene Smith - Young*



Sylvia Briggs - April 26, 2025 at 11:26 AM