



## Mr. John Lincoln Smith

January 19, 1949 - January 19, 2019

Mr. John Lincoln Smith was born on January 19, 1949 in Durham, N.C. to James Thompson and Cora Mae Smith Douglas. He departed this life on his birthday, Saturday, January 19, 2019 at the VA Medical Center in Durham, N.C.

John Lincoln as he was affectionately known by his family and friends attended Durham Public Schools. John decided on February 17, 1967, while a senior in high school, to join the U.S. Army. After serving his time in the Army, he returned to Durham where he then enrolled in school and received his GED. John moved to New York and worked for the United States Post Office in Manhattan. A few years later he found his way back to Durham, N.C. where he worked at Duke Hospital for a long period of time. John then landed a job at the North Carolina School of Math and Science as a security officer in which he retired from. He enjoyed fishing, watching old western movies, basketball and he was a huge fan of the Washington Redskins. Most of all he loved his family dearly.

John was preceded in death by his wife Annie Frances Smith, his grandmother Ella Smith, sister Doretha Marie Smith, and niece Tequila Montelle Smith.

He leaves to cherish his memories his mother, Cora Mae Douglas; his father,

James Thompson of Harlem, New York; one daughter, Brenda S. Williams (Charles); granddaughter, Brianna A. Williams; one niece, Natasha Smith; six great nieces, Zakeeyah Cameron, Lazayrea Smith, Naema Leathers, Kianta Smith, Anyvia Brandon, and Harmonie Brandon; three great nephews, Ronald Leathers, Antonio Cameron, and Jamonte Green; one great-great nephew, Kaden Smith; two sisters-in-law, Leugenia Jenkins (Walker) and Eula Brooks (Roy); close cousins; the Harper and Green families; and a host of loving relatives and friends.

Funeral services will take place on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, 1007 S Roxboro St., Durham, North Carolina 27707, at 12:00 noon, with a family visitation one hour prior to the service.

# Cemetery Details

## Beechwood Cemetery

3300 Fayetteville St  
Durham, NC 27707  
(919) 560-4154

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 26. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mount Vernon Baptist Church  
1007 S Roxboro St  
Durham, NC 27707  
(919) 688-1823  
[churchoffice@mvbcdurham.org](mailto:churchoffice@mvbcdurham.org)  
<http://mvbcdurham.org>

## Celebration of Life

JAN 26. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mount Vernon Baptist Church  
1007 S Roxboro St  
Durham, NC 27707

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John Lincoln Smith*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Marie Hunter lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Lincoln Smith*



**Marie Hunter** - January 24, 2019 at 05:06 PM



*Brenda Faye sorry to about John Lincoln. Rip John Lincoln.*

**Marie Hunter** - January 24, 2019 at 05:09 PM



“ *I'm so so sorry to hear of John's passing. He was a wonderful man that not only made us feel safe, but was a gently, kind, and happy soul. May you find comfort and peace in his memories. Much love to you all.*

*Lamia Younes  
Counselor  
NCSSM*

**Lamia Younes** - January 21, 2019 at 02:50 PM

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“ John was a great man. I always enjoyed talking with him and being encouraged by him. God bless you all as you celebrate the memories and mourn the loss of John. My prayers are with you all.

Jamie Lathan  
History Teacher  
NCSSM

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**Jamie Lathan** - January 21, 2019 at 01:47 PM


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“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of John. He was always a kind face greeting you when you were coming or leaving NCSSM. I enjoyed talking with him, and he was a wonderful part of my experience of working here at NCSSM. My thoughts and prayers are with you all right now.

Sincerely,  
Rob Andrews  
NCSSM Admissions

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**Robert Andrews** - January 21, 2019 at 10:23 AM

  
Thomasine  
Hedgepeth

“ Rest in Heavenly Peace John. May God provide Peace and Comfort to the Family.

Ronald and Thomasine Hedgepeth



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**Thomasine Hedgepeth** - January 20, 2019 at 08:17 AM