



## Vanessa Smith

December 5, 1954 - July 14, 2019

Vanessa Slate was born to Freddie B. and Mary Magdalene Slate, in Chicago Heights, Illinois on December 5, 1954. She was the youngest of six children.

On February 18, 1969, Vanessa married Leonard Smith. They were blessed with five children. Leonard passed away. Vanessa met Arthur E. Curry III and they had two children.

At an early age, Vanessa made an important decision in her life, she accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior. She was baptized under the direction of Elder Marcus Irons. She rededicated her life to Christ under Elder Walter B. Futrell and served as a faithful member of Christ Temple No 2. (Holiness).

Vanessa closed her eyes and rested from her labors on July 14, 2019. She was preceded in death by her parents Freddie and Mary, husband Leonard Smith, sister Alfreda Floyd, brother Clarence Pat Boyd, and best friend Patricia Franklin.

Vanessa leaves to cherish her memory and continue her legacy, four devoted daughters Vanessa L. (Charles J.) Brown, Virginia L. (Tedarial) Edwards, Dorothy E. Smith, and Sharon T. (Martin) Cobbinah; three devoted sons Leonard A. (Rachell) Smith, Arthur E. (Diane) Curry III, and Raymond S. (Kaneisha J. Gund) Curry; godson DeAnthony J. Head (Jessica L. Baker); six

devoted sisters Ms. Wilma Wilson, Mrs. Freddie Mae (Jerry) Allen, Ms. Rebecca Slate, Mrs. Henrietta Bailey, Michelle Foster, and Barbara Ann Fulwiley; one devoted brother Freddie B. Slate Jr.; only one surviving uncle Harry Nelson; 29 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives.

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

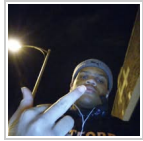
Christ Temple #2 Church of Holiness  
1427 Ellis Avenue  
Ford Heights, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Vanessa Smith*

October 04, 2023 at 06:11 PM



“ *My best memory of Vanessa is 12-05-2000 at 6:31 pm*

**Tazz Xzan** - October 19, 2020 at 06:34 PM



“ *Anita (Portee) McCary lit a candle in memory of Vanessa Smith*



**Anita (Portee) McCary** - July 29, 2019 at 02:54 PM