



## Zora Catherine Williams-Smith

September 17, 1930 - July 29, 2014

Zora Catherine Williams-Smith was the third of six children born on September 17, 1930 to Minnie and Robert Williams in Memphis, Tennessee. Zora's siblings were John, Robert, Luella, Lola and Joan.

After graduating from DuSable High School, she began working at Material Craft Company as a seamstress. She worked there until she retired.

Zora united in holy matrimony with Woodrow Smith. To this union there was only one child born, their son, Jerome Smith. Jerome served at Bethel Headquarters in New York and later moved to California and served as an Elder in the congregation,

Although Zora loved many things, her greatest love was her love for Jehovah. Zora dedicated her life to Jehovah and on January 1, 1950 she symbolized her dedication through water baptism. She served Jehovah as a faithful servant for over 63 years.

Zora loved to cook and entertain for her family. She was an excellent cook. When she had cookout's she would make delicious homemade ice cream and pound cake. When she was younger she would skate with the kids. Zora was also an excellent seamstress, she loved shopping and decorating.

On July 29, 2014, Zora fell asleep in death after complications from suffering a stroke in December 2013. Her family and friends look forward to welcoming her back to the paradise earth. She was preceded in death by her parents, Minnie and Robert; five siblings, John, Robert, Luella, Lola and Joan; her husband, Woodrow; her son, Jerome; and one nephew, Brian.

Zora leaves to cherish her memory, one granddaughter, Lacey Smith; nephews, Paul (Joyce) Hardy, Rene (Haruko) Miller, Armel (Regina) Hardy, Craig Hardy, James Hardy and Eric (Pam) Miller; nieces, Barbara (Vernon) Brown, Marilyn Miller, Michelle, Camille and Lisa Hardy, Chan and Tracy Macklin; grand nieces and nephews; and a host of spiritual brothers, sisters and friends that added joy to her life.

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG 23. 4:00 PM (CT)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses (101st)  
10134 South Vincennes Avenue  
Chicago, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ Zora Catherine Williams-Smith

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“ My heart goes out to the entire Smith family Always remember the wonderful times that you spent with her. Please find comfort in knowing what the Bible says about how God gave his son the power to resurrect humans in the past: Jesus said: “TAKE the stone away.” Martha, the sister of the deceased, said to him: “Lord, by now he must smell, for it is four days.” Jesus said to her: “Did I not tell you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?” Therefore they took the stone away. Now Jesus raised his eyes heavenward and said: “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. True, I knew that you always hear me; but on account of the crowd standing around I spoke, in order that they might believe that you sent me forth.” And when he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice: “Laz'a•rus, come on out!” The [man] that had been dead came out with his feet and hands bound with wrappings, and his countenance was bound about with a cloth. Jesus said to them: “Loose him and let him go.” (John 11:39-44) This account gives us a preview of what he will do for our loved ones in the future. For more comfort please go to <https://www.jw.org/en/video-why-study-the-bible/> and then search for "When Someone You Love Dies" Brochure.

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