



## Chief Leon Smith

March 23, 2020

Chief Leon Smith age 58, a resident of Coosada, AL passed away on Monday, March 23, 2020 at a local hospital. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. from Springfield Baptist Church with Pastor Sam Jackson officiating. The interment will follow at Springfield Baptist Church Cemetery. Chief Smith was the former Police Chief of Coosada, AL for 21 years and in law enforcement for a total of 25 years. He was a graduate of Stanhope Elmore High School Class of 1979. He was preceded in death by his brother Dan Graves, Jr., grandmother Fannie Smith and grandfather James D. Smith. He is survived by his wife Zelma Taylor Smith ; son Chief Leon Smith, Jr. (Nicole) ; daughters Quandra Locklyn ; Demetrice Byrd ; Carmen Smith ; mother Lucille Smith Watkins ; brothers Leroy Smith ; Bennie Smith (Teresa) ; Tyrone Graves (Ledora) ; Roosevelt Watkins ; sisters Glenda Smith ; Linda Smith ; Faith Harris ; Amanda Rawls ; eleven grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Also surviving are several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The family will receive friends on Friday, March 27, 2020 from 12 noon until 5:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Brookside Funeral Home of Millbrook, AL directing.

We are still under a statewide health order and will comply to the fullest extent.

(Governor Kay Ivey and the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) on Thursday issued a statewide health order to aid in Alabama's efforts to contain the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Statewide through April 5:

1. All gatherings of 25 persons or more, or gatherings of any size that cannot maintain a consistent six-foot distance between persons, are prohibited. This Order shall apply to all gatherings, events or activities that bring 25 or more persons in a single room or single space at the same time.)

# Cemetery Details

## Springfield Baptist Church

Millbrook, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 27. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Brookside Funeral Home  
3360 Brookside Dr  
Millbrook, AL 36054  
(334) 285-7442  
<http://www.brooksidefuneralhomeal.com>

## Service

MAR 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

Springfield Baptist Church  
Millbrook, AL

## Burial

MAR 28 (CT)

Springfield Baptist Church  
Millbrook, AL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Chief Leon Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 12:36 PM



“ *Chief Leon Smith*

October 07, 2023 at 11:21 AM



“ *Glenda Calloway lit a candle in memory of Chief Leon Smith*



**Glenda Calloway** - March 28, 2020 at 02:14 PM



“ *My wife and I both had the pleasure of knowing and working with Chief Smith for many years through our work. She is the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer for Elmore County and I worked with him when I served in the District Attorney's Office as a Prosecutor and for many years as Elmore County District Judge. Leon always did a great job and he was always a fine Christian man in the way he treated everyone. I had the privilege to speak to him several times since his retirement and as always was smiling and friendly even when going through tough health problems. My wife Delane and I wish the best to his family and we pray that God will comfort you with the Holy Spirit and the assurance of your faith in Jesus Christ. Glenn and Delane Goggans*

**Glenn Goggans** - March 27, 2020 at 08:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 27, 2020 at 04:35 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 27, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ *We gonna miss our hero so much. We know he has been through a lot and, he is going to watch over and take care of us because that is the type of person he was. He will truly be missed. REST UP AND FLY HIGH. Till we see you again— Carmen and Sha'Hollene*



**Carmen and Sha'Hollene** - March 27, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ *All Your High School Buddies purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



**All Your High School Buddies** - March 27, 2020 at 11:59 AM

DL

“ *My Heart felt Condolences to The family God Will be your Comfort !! God Bless You All Denise (Nean) Landers and Family*



Denise Landers - March 27, 2020 at 02:56 AM

SW

“ *Shirley Wood lit a candle in memory of Chief Leon Smith*



Shirley Wood - March 26, 2020 at 11:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 26, 2020 at 10:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 26, 2020 at 10:31 PM

CT

“ *Chris Thomas lit a candle in memory of Chief Leon Smith*



Chris Thomas - March 26, 2020 at 09:54 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 26, 2020 at 08:20 PM

MA

“ *Mary Tosha and Ashley purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



Mary Tosha and Ashley - March 26, 2020 at 07:55 PM

BP

“ *my thoughts and prayers are with the family*



birdie paige - March 26, 2020 at 06:54 PM

GJ

*GOD WILL WATCH OVER AND KEEP YOU LEON WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE. GENERAL JORDAN*

General jordan - March 27, 2020 at 08:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 26, 2020 at 04:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 26, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



March 26, 2020 at 03:16 PM



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Brookside Funeral Home - March 26, 2020 at 02:36 PM

ZW

*I'm going to miss my soulmate and best friend My heart is so heavy love you honey*

**ZELMA SMITH WIFE** - March 26, 2020 at 04:16 PM

AF

*You will be missed dearly, God felt it was time, you have touched so many lives, changed so many hearts and loved so many people, your star is shining bright.we miss you*

**Audrey Pierce Fitzpatrick** - March 26, 2020 at 06:27 PM

BP

*rest easy chief. all your pain sorrows and troubles are over. you will be missed by many in this community. junior will have some big shoes to fill.*

**birdie paige** - March 26, 2020 at 06:52 PM

TM

*Zelma you're in my thoughts and prayers. Leon was loved by many. I love you 💕*

**Tonja McKeithen** - March 26, 2020 at 08:06 PM

BH

*Leon Smith, you will truly missed. It has been a Blessing knowing and working with you. You have always been a very kind person. Coosada will never be the same. Rest on my friend take your rest. Brenda Harris-Thomas, Bus 16-10*

**Brenda Harris** - March 26, 2020 at 09:50 PM

RP

*I have always thought a lot of Chief Smith. He was a true professional in every way and always had a smile on his face. You will be missed, my brother! Prayers for the family during this difficult time.*

**Ray Puckett** - March 26, 2020 at 11:09 PM

KC

*I remember him when I was a little girl. Was kind and always treated people fairly. he will be missed*

**kiesha conyers** - March 27, 2020 at 05:21 PM

KM

*Sending prayers up for the entire Smith family, friends and the community because Leon was loved by many. Asking God to give strength, comfort and peace during your time of sorrow, I have many wonderful memories of Leon and to know him was to love him, he would go the extra mile to help anyone and knew exactly how to put a smile on your face, Cousin you've touched the lives of many, your job down here is done, and it was well done. You'll forever be loved and remembered by many. You've gained your wings, rest on.*

**Kesha McKeithen** - March 28, 2020 at 01:29 AM

JK

*Zelma my heart goes out to you and the kids and grandkids Leon you're truly gonna be missed by us all .*

**jacqueline keith** - March 28, 2020 at 03:17 AM

PJ

*You will be missed such a great person and a loving person i will never forget you will miss seeing your smiling face rip my friend*

**Patsy Johnson** - March 28, 2020 at 06:45 AM

GC

*Zelma my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family yes missing link were taken away from the family such a friendly and good our family will truly miss him love you all.*

**Georgia Calloway** - March 28, 2020 at 08:22 AM

RG

*You will be truly missed & it was a pleasure to have you as a friend/co-worker bus 17-1. You were the sweetest of the twins sorry Leroy! Rest up my friend until we meet again, my deepest condolences to the family, Wetumpka love you*

**Rhonda Gunn** - March 28, 2020 at 08:56 AM

MM

*Leon, my buddy, I will truly miss you. Thanks for the talks, advice, esp. the causing-outs that I got to get me back on track. 😊💕😭. Rest on. Your jobs/duties are over on this side of Heaven. RIP Soldier*

**Mary Marshall** - March 28, 2020 at 09:14 AM

AE

*Rest Well Cousin ! I have few words to say the Love we had told the story. You will never be forgotten ❤️*

**Altha Edwards** - March 28, 2020 at 09:19 AM

DH

*CHIEF LEON SMITH was a great person if he could help you just what he did was to help anyone no matter what color,gender,or if you were good or bad he didn't see it he just will help anyone so Chief go on a Protect and Serve in Heaven, Love you*

**Donna Hartwell** - March 28, 2020 at 09:42 AM

RJ

*May God grant his family peace and healing. This is a hard one! Such a kind and gentle soul!*

**Rosemary Brown Johnson** - March 28, 2020 at 11:56 AM

HK

*Mrs Smith God going take good care of your soulmate you are in my prayers I no it's hard*

**Hazel Knight** - March 28, 2020 at 05:19 PM

WB

*Our deepest sympathies from Willie and Carolyn Bates and family to the Smith family you're forever in our prayer*

**Willie and Carolyn Bates** - March 28, 2020 at 11:02 PM

EW

*R.I.P. my prayers are with the family 🙏🙏*

**Essie Wilkes** - March 28, 2020 at 11:08 PM

DB

*You will truly be missed Chief!!*

**Derric Brown** - March 29, 2020 at 05:47 PM

MJ

*I met Chief Leon Smith years ago and from meeting him and on. I knew I had a friend. He will be GREATLY missed. He made a big impact on the Town of Coosada. He made Coosada what it is today. A friend/my friend will NEVER BE FORGOTTEN*

**Michael Sanders jr** - March 29, 2020 at 10:26 PM

JF

*A Teacher in life : Got some tickets when I was 16 (busted headlight and such) Did not pay them ,Leon was SUPPOSED to take me to jail ,I assume ,ihe did pick me up went to Coosada police station , he said "Boy I known you since you were in diapers how we gonna fix you?" "You got a job?". Yes Sir."OK you bring me 50\$ every Friday put it in an envelope and just slide it under this door ,cause I do NOT wanna face your grandma if I put you in jail".*

*So I did this ALL SUMMER and into the fall ,at 16 this was alit of money but I figured ,hey better than jail ,right. Well school was starting and the engine in my car was gone (likely my fought). Well the next day my car was gone , I called Leon thinking it was stolen .Well it wasn't.Leon called me that Friday and said Buddy we found your car ,it is down at five points tire service ,I ran (literally) to 5 points and Mr.Giber said "Yes sir we have the car and here's the keys ,I said well engines blown anyway he said no we put a brand new engine in it ,I said MR.GOBER I CANT PAY FOR THAT ,He said no need Chief Smith came in and paid for it ,I said what are you sure? He said yep kinda hard to forget as he came in with 26 white envelopes each with a 50\$ bill in it And he wrote a personal check to fix your damn headlight. (Car was nvr stolen Leon brought it up there after speaking to my mom)*

*Will miss you Leon You were one of the great people I knew growing up that I'll nvr forget.*

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**Joshua Foshee** - April 17, 2020 at 10:07 AM

RT

“ *Condolences to the family*

*Rick Thornell*

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**Rick Thornell** - March 26, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



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March 26, 2020 at 01:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Chief Leon Smith.*



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March 26, 2020 at 12:14 PM



“ *My god blessed your family at the loss of your love one.*



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**Anita Hicklin** - March 26, 2020 at 11:40 AM



“ *Good ole Chief. Always smiling and encouraging the kids as he walked the halls at Coosada Elementary*

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**jacquelyn thomas** - March 26, 2020 at 08:57 AM

BD

“ Leon a true good friend who I look up to he always giving out advise always trying to help someone!! Who I will truly miss. Praying that God continue to strength the family!! God Bless!!

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**Beverly Duncan** - March 26, 2020 at 08:46 AM

NC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was a good man. I drove a school bus with him for years.

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**Norma Cooper** - March 26, 2020 at 08:25 AM