

A Homegoing Celebration  
*for*  
Deacon Thomas John Smith



**SUNRISE**

February 14, 1923  
Patrick County, VA

**SUNSET**

November 1, 2007  
Cuyahoga County, OH

Wednesday, November 7, 2007  
Two o'clock p.m.

Kings Mountain View Progressive  
Primitive Baptist Church  
Westfield, North Carolina

Elder James R. Strickland, *Eulogist*

*Interment*  
Mountain View Cemetery  
Mount Airy, North Carolina

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional	
Words of Comfort	Guest Minister
Choir	Kings Mt. View
Invocation	Guest Minister
Scripture	Old Testament
	New Testament
Choir	Kings Mt. View
Acknowledgements/Obituary	
Church Resolution	Eunice Jessup
Family Reflection	Rita Darby
Choir	Kings Mt. View
Eulogy	Elder James R. Strickland
Recessional	(Congregation Standing)
Interment	Mountain View Cemetery Mount Airy, NC
The Final Flight	Spencer Funeral Home Staff

*Repast: Flat Rock Ruritan Building*

### FLOWER BEARERS

Linda McCarther	Rita Darby
Phadonia Coalson	Billie King
Regina Smith	Goldie George
Fredia Joyce	

### CASKET BEARERS

Deacons

### HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

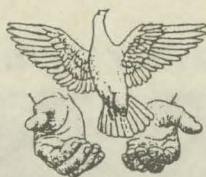
Leonard Moore	Rev. Charles Carter
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## THE OBITUARY

*God saw you getting weary, so he did what he knew best . . . He came and stood beside you and whispered, "Come and Rest."*

Early afternoon on November 1, 2007 Mr. Thomas John Smith was called home. He was a patient at the VA Medical Center in Brecksville, Ohio. He retired from the Spencer Mills Company. Mr. Smith was a deacon at Kings Mt. View until his failing health. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and sports. He was always happy to spend time with his grandchildren, family and friends that dropped by.

He leaves behind three daughters, Betty (Warren) Woolford of Akron, Ohio, Shirley (Charles) Leak of Winston-Salem, NC and Johnnie Mae (Robin) Brooks of Reading, PA; a son, William Ray Smith of Winston-Salem, NC; eight grandchildren, Marcia Woolford, Rozita Nelson, Ted Smith, Betty Miller, Richard Dulin III, Nathaniel Darnell Peacock, Zachary Brooks and Kelsey Brooks; eleven great grands and three great great grands; one Goddaughter, Amanda Foddrell; one sister-in-law, Rachael Carter of Mount Airy, NC; one brother-in-law, Nathaniel Manns of Philadelphia, PA; special friends, Leonard and Marie Moore, Ted and Mildred Smith and Rev. Charles Carter. Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his wife, Azalee Nelson Smith, a son, Thomas Calvin Smith and a brother, William (Bill) Carter, Sr.

### ***I'M FREE***

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call,  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day,  
to laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of the day.*

## *Together Again*



## **Thank You**

*Thank you for all kindness you have shown. We thank you very much; for sympathy in sorrowing days, for friendships healing touch, with gratitude, our hearts are full. Though words cannot convey the tender thoughts and thankfulness we hold for you today.*

*Additionally, the family thanks the Brecksville Virginia Center-61B, the Marco Sommerville Funeral Home and the Spencer Funeral Home Staff for all kindness you have shown.*

*The Family of*  
Mr. Thomas John Smith  
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