



Claude Smith Jr.

April 27, 1970 - May 11, 2008

Newport News –Claude Smith, Jr., 38, passed away on Sunday, May 11, 2008 at Riverside Regional Medical Center. He was born in New York, on April 27, 1970 to Claude and Carol Smith. He was a Chief Musician and a member of On Purpose Ministries in Hampton, Virginia.

Claude is survived by his wife Myra N. Smith; one daughter, Shante Robinson; three sons, Lamar Wilson, Darrick Smith, Diashon Smith; four sisters, Kim Garnett, Shakimma Smith, Angel Smith, Cherie Smith; two brothers, Demetrius Smith and Dorcel Smith. He is also survived by a grandmother, Mary E. King; one grandchild, Amari Robinson, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

Viewing will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 from 2 – 7 pm at J.T. Fisher Funeral Services, 1080 N. George Washington Hwy., Chesapeake, VA. A life celebration service will be held at 11am on Thursday, May 15, 2008 at Grove Baptist Church, 5910 West Norfolk Road, Portsmouth, VA where the pastor is Dr. Melvin O. Marriner. Pastor Renee Williams of On Purpose Ministries, Hampton, VA will officiate. Associate Pastor Michael L. Guinn, of On Purpose Ministries, will perform the eulogy. Interment will be held at Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens. The family has entrusted J.T. Fisher Funeral Services to handle the final care arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

MAY **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grove Church
5910 West Norfolk Road
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall



“ I will like to say uncle jr is a coolness and he was silly and funny and I always hear him play that piano and he used to play piano for on Christmas he was a good musician and he always jokes around ima miss you uncle jr this is CJ

Curtis Garnett - July 18, 2021 at 02:31 AM



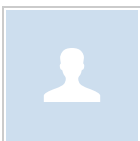
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August 11, 2008 at 10:39 PM



“ I just want to say that I loved my cousin dearly. I practically grew up with him and kim until we all got older and went in different directions. I just wish that I had a chance to see him once more but I know he is in a better place. I Love You Jr. and that's from the bottom of my heart.###imported-begin###Jermile Booker###imported-end###

June 11, 2008 at 02:48 PM



“ To Carol and Claude and to Myra... my heart and prayers are forever with you. Jr.i will miss u my friend and my heart will always remember you. the man of many things good with a talent only god makes real. enjoy the peace until the rest of us get there. myself and my family will love you forever###imported-begin###darlene west###imported-end###

May 26, 2008 at 07:10 PM



“ my love for you will last forever and i will forever miss you...##imported-begin##Pearl Blount##imported-end##

May 26, 2008 at 06:53 PM



“ PacMan made a lasting impression on me not only by his expertise in playing keyboards but for his love of people. He shared his joy, his laughter with countless numbers who came to hear JuJu and the After Hours Band. May God continue to bless you and family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Elsie Goodrum##imported-end##

May 15, 2008 at 08:43 AM



“ I will truly miss our brother and friend.
What an Awesome man of God

Keeping you close in my prayers

I love you Sis

Valma##imported-begin##Valma Mims##imported-end##

May 15, 2008 at 07:47 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, J.R. was one of the rare ones, a REALIST, a TRUE MUSICIAN, and my brother and he will be greatly missed. I'm here Myra when you need me call me without a second thought. Love always J.P.##imported-begin##J.P. Lilliston##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 10:54 PM



“ *J.R. will be missed, but not forgotten. My thoughts and prays are with you Myra and family, love you girl!!##imported-begin##Wendy##imported-end##*

May 14, 2008 at 10:46 PM



“ *Bro & Sis Smith,
You are like family to us and yet at a time like this, we are at a loss for words. Just know that you and your family are forever in our hearts and prayers. We love you to life!##imported-begin##Nathaniel & Shirley Jackson##imported-end##*

May 14, 2008 at 08:56 PM



“ *Junior, The Mercado Family is missing you very much.*

Much Love to you and your family.##imported-begin##Ms. Gloria Mercado##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 12:01 PM



“ To Myra and the entire family of Claude Smith, Jr. Jr. was a great man of God, he leaves a great legacy behind in each one of you. Accomplish the goals he set for you and you will further that legacy.

In a short span of time Jr. became a trusted brother and friend. I enjoyed the time he stayed in our home, Sharon and I will forever cherish that time. We are grateful that God allowed our lives to be blessed by knowing Jr. He will never be forgotten!

On behalf of Life Changers (his second church home in Atlanta) we will continue to pray for you and your family. The one consolation we all have is we KNOW with out a doubt Jr. is with the LORD.

We are here for you now, tomorrow, and forever!##imported-begin##Pastor Sherman And Sharon Scott and the entire Life Changers family##imported-end##

May 14, 2008 at 11:42 AM



“ May God Bless you and your family. I will continue to keep you in prayer##imported-begin##Chris Wilson (piano)##imported-end##

May 13, 2008 at 11:04 AM



“ Claude Jr. you will forever be in my heart. I have to believe that God's plan is the best plan. I believe that you are in his hands now. May the Lord that we all serve keep you now and forever. Love your cousin, Shelly.##imported-begin##Andrea Weems##imported-end##

May 13, 2008 at 08:42 AM



“ *To the family of Claude Smith, Jr., Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

With deepest sympathy,

Dennis and Dawne Brown...##imported-begin##Dennis and Dawne Brown##imported-end##

May 12, 2008 at 05:11 PM