



Steven O'Neal Smith

August 2, 1984 - April 1, 2016

Steven O'Neal Smith took flight and went home to be with his Spiritual Father on April 1, 2016 at 8 o'clock pm at his home in Ponchatoula, LA.

Steven was born August 2, 1984 to Steven and Margaret Jackson Smith in Independence, LA. Early on in life Steven was seen as a light that sitteth on a hill. He was driven and destined to be the best in any endeavor he encountered. Steven exemplified the meaning of a Uniter. He led his fellow Kentwood High School Student Athletes to prayer under the flag pole, he was Valedictorian of his High School Alma Mater, he obtain his Bachelor of Science and his Masters of Business Administration at Southeastern Louisiana University at the tender age of twenty-three.

Steven followed and exemplified what it meant when Solomon gave instructions in Proverbs 1: 8 -23. Not perfect but humble and obedient to the Father. Steven was baptized and accepted the servant's creed acknowledging Our Lord and Savior under the leadership of Pastor Toney at the age of 12 at Brown Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Tangipahoa, LA. He participated in all the youth activities, sang in the choir and showed Reverence and Respect to the Almighty God.

Steven did not forget the teachings of those early spiritual days as he travelled into college life and then adulthood. He made wise, logical decisions along the way and imparted that same wisdom and knowledge to his family and friends. He was an old soul in his actions and decision making. Besides his parents, Steven credits his up-bringing and guidance from his grandparents,

Uncle Mike, and the SLU Family. He would show his love on numerous occasions before leaving for work by placing a call at 6 am to MoMo Sarah just to chit-chat and say I love you. Steven's essence was like a light that could not be hidden.

Steven O'Neal Smith is survived by his father and mother, Steven and Margaret Jackson Smith and only sibling, sister, Jasmine Renee' Smith of Kentwood, LA. Maternal grandmother Sarah Myers Dyson of Tangipahoa, La, and paternal grandfather Harold Smith (Ann A. Smith) of Kentwood, La. Paternal grandmother Betty Buckhalter Brumfield, of Kentwood, LA and extended grandmother Shirley Gibson Jackson of Kentwood, LA. Two uncles Michael Jackson Dyson (Vanessa Williams) of Tangipahoa, LA and Lionel Jackson, Jr. of Kentwood, LA. Seven Aunts: Joi Smith, Barbara White, Robin Richardson, Carla Tillery, Rhonda Jackson, Ginger Taylor (Michael Taylor) and Lula Jackson. Steven leaves to cherish his memories cousins, relatives, the community at large and two special co-workers A. Monji Clark and Michelle Escort.

Steven was preceded in death by his grandfathers Lionel Jackson Sr. and Edward Dyson. Words of comfort may be expressed to the family at www.crossofsmemorialfuneralhome.com

Just One

One song can spark a moment. One flower can wake the dream. One tree can start a forest. One bird can herald spring.

One smile begins a friendship. One handclasp lifts a soul. One star can guide a ship at sea. One word can frame the goal.

One vote can change a nation. One sunbeam lights a room. One candle wipes out darkness. One laugh will conquer gloom.

One step must start each journey. One word must start each prayer. One hope will raise our spirits. One touch can show you care.

One voice can speak with wisdom. One heart can know what's true.

One life can make a difference. You see, it's up to you!

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