



## Tina F. Smith

November 20, 1971 - January 4, 2022

Tina Fraynee Smith was born in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, November 20, 1971 to the parents of Robert and Lillie Pearson. She transitioned to her heavenly home on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 with her husband, Derrick, mother-n-law, Lillian, and longtime friend, Shamonda, by her side after a 5-year battle with colon cancer. Tina fought a good fight and never lost faith. She is now free from all pain and suffering and is at peace with the Lord. During her childhood, Tina was a member of Trinity AME Zion Church in Washington, D.C. where she dedicated her life to Christ. She participated in Sunday school, the Children's Usher Board, Children's Choir and Buds of Promise. During her adult years, she attended various churches throughout the DMV area. Her faith in the LORD was her source of strength, love and happiness.

Tina received her formal education in the District of Columbia Public School system. In the 8th grade, she won a talent contest where she wrote a rap entitled, "Staying in School" and she could recite that rap anytime or anywhere you asked her. The rap was really good and is still relevant today. Tina graduated from Bertie Backus Junior High School as the Salutatorian of the class of 1986 and went on to Woodrow Wilson Senior High School (Go Wilson Tigers!) where she was a member of the Gifted and Talented Program. She graduated from Wilson in 1989 and was honored at a D.C. Public School Program for 13 years (kindergarten-12th grade) of perfect attendance. She was interviewed by the Washington Post for her outstanding accomplishment

and when asked, "Why did you go to school every day?" Tina said, "My parents got up and went to work every day, so I got up and went to school." Tina was such an overachiever!

Tina's passion to attend a Historically Black College led her to Bennett College in Greensboro, North Carolina, one of only two all-women's black institutions. During her tenure at Bennett, she was inducted into the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority (Line #12, Line Name – B-Never-Lent). Bennett College is where she built a strong sisterhood with so many phenomenal women that she loved, admired, encouraged, prayed with and kept in contact with throughout the years. Tina graduated from Bennett College with a BA degree in Business Administration in 1993. After college, instead of jumping into the workforce, Tina took time off to help care for Momma Joan Early (best friend's Mom) who was battling cancer. Tina didn't let anything or anyone stop her from caring for Momma Joan in her time of need and was there with Momma Joan until the Lord called her home. That's just the type of person that Tina was, kind-hearted, loving, caring, devoted and selfless; always putting others' needs before her own.

Career wise, Tina excelled in various positions in the credit union industry since 1994 and was currently serving as the Vice President of Support Services for the United States Senate Federal Credit Union which was a dream job for her. Tina spoke highly of her manager, Ms. Kathy Dalfrey (also known as Momma Bear), who played an integral role in Tina's successful career. Tina's strong work ethic, kindred spirit, and empowerment to help others were many traits that so many loved about her.

On November 11, 2011, Tina married Derrick Smith, Sr. in Las Vegas, Nevada. The fun loving couple had so much in common, including their passion for all things D.C. - Washington Football Team, Washington Wizards, and GO-GO music which brought so much fun and excitement to their lives. They loved to travel, spend time with family and friends, play board games, chill out on the patio or just curl up in front of the TV and watch a good movie. Tina loved Derrick very much and called him "Honey Bunny" for his

unconditional love, love of family, and his crazy sense of humor. They were truly the perfect match. Although they didn't birth any children together, Tina was considered to be a "Bonus Mom" to Derrick's four children and they referred to her as "Ma." Derrick would say, "Tina was the best thing to ever happen to me and the kids loved her just as much if not more than me."

Tina leaves to cherish her memory: Husband of 10 years: Derrick Smith, Sr., Parents: Robert and Lillie Pearson, Sister: Terry Jenkins (Ronald), Niece: Tiera Johnson-Pearson, Bonus Mom to: LaShon, Kayla, Javon, Deuce, Father-n-Law: Curtis Smith, Jr. Mother-n-Law, Lillian Smith, Godchildren, hosts of uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Viewing

**JAN 18.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - Prince George's County  
4308 Suitland Road  
Suitland, MD 20746  
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### Service

**JAN 18.** 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Tina F. Smith, Please Click the Link below.*



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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - January 13, 2022 at 11:09 AM

AM

*Hey hey My Sweet Tina - Big Sis thinking of you ton this beautiful day. You are sorely missed and forever loved. 😊*

*RIH my sweet lil sis ...*

*Marie B.*

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**AMB** - January 04, 2024 at 09:56 AM



“ *Tina F. Smith*

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October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM

MT

“ Tina, thank you for the years of friendship, sisterhood, and always shining your beautiful bright light. ❤️ My heartfelt sympathy for Derrick and the family, praying for strength and comfort 🙏🕊️



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**Melanie Turner** - January 18, 2022 at 03:51 PM

DP

“ My Deepest Condolences and Prayers of Comfort to the Pearson and Smith Families.

*As many have stated, Tina truly had a kind and wonderful spirit and soul. I am blessed to have called Tina a classmate and friend. Tina will be missed immensely but she is forever in my heart. May you find continued strength from your family, friends and Faith.*

*~Darrell Parker*

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**Darrell Parker** - January 18, 2022 at 02:36 PM

CB

“ Cheryl Blackwell lit a candle in memory of Tina F. Smith



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**Cheryl Blackwell** - January 18, 2022 at 02:07 PM

WG

“ *Derrick, we are so sorry for the loss of your dear Tina. Keep all of the memories the two of you had in your heart. She will always be with you. Trust in the Lord to give you the strength that we know you have. Tina will always be by your side. God Bless...Willie and Eleanor Garrett...Dale City*

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**Willie Garrett** - January 18, 2022 at 02:07 PM

LA

“ *Derrick, you have my deepest condolences. May God give you peace during this difficult time. Tina was not only your wife but she was your best friend. I pray that God comfort you during this difficult time. Nobody knows what you are going through but you have a loving family and you are never alone. We're all sending you Love and Light! Tina was a Beautiful soul and she prayed for you daily and loved you with everything in her. You may never meet another Tina but you made her heart smile and she made yours smile. I am so grateful to be able to witness Love because some people don't know what Love feels like but we all witnessed it and she will truly be missed.*

*God Bless You, The Pearson Family and the Smith Family.*

*Love Laurie*

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**Laurie** - January 18, 2022 at 02:05 PM

CY

“ *Carol Young lit a candle in memory of Tina F. Smith*



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**Carol Young** - January 18, 2022 at 01:52 PM

CY

*Tina you will truly be missed by so many that loved you. I love you sis. Rest In Peace beautiful. To the Pearson and Smith family, my deepest condolences.*

**Carol Young** - January 20, 2022 at 01:01 PM

SO

“ *My sincerest condolences to Tina's family. For the past 3 1/2 years Tina was my Manager, Mentor and friend. Her civility, grace, and thoughtfulness of others was amazing knowing her battles. We accomplished so much in so little time under her leadership and had hoped to do so much more. The USSFCU family will greatly miss her bright smile and gentle encouragement.*

*Sophia Fearwell*

**Sophia** - January 18, 2022 at 12:08 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.*



January 18, 2022 at 09:16 AM

RD

“ *Regina Damon sent a virtual gift in memory of Tina F. Smith*



**Regina Damon** - January 17, 2022 at 10:29 PM

RD

*My Condolences, Thoughts & Prayers to my Family, Uncle Robert, Aunt Lilly, Terry, Tiera, Derrick & the Smith Family. My heart is saddened by the loss of my cousin, Tina Fought A Good Fight, now she is pain Free & Resting in the arms of the Lord. As much as Tina Loved Family & going to Family Reunions, she's apart of a Heavenly Pearson Reunion now. May God Grant You Peace & be A pillow of strength when it's needed the most.*

*Love Always, "Regina D".*

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**Regina Damon** - January 17, 2022 at 10:46 PM

PB

“ *To the Smith and Pearson families you have my heartfelt prayers and condolences 🙏 I met Tina when I worked at Wright Patman Congressional Federal Credit Union in 2001 ,where she was my supervisor.*

*Working with Tina was an honor, a privilege and a joy. She was down to earth and she had a great sense of humor (her laughter was contagious) Tina was a very lovely and beautiful person on the inside as well as the outside . She had a smile and presence that would light up a room . She was caring person , I will be forever grateful to God for putting Tina in my path. Tina will be missed 🙏*

*Patricia L.Brooks*

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**Patricia L Brooks** - January 17, 2022 at 10:06 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.*



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January 17, 2022 at 12:03 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.*



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January 16, 2022 at 02:16 PM



“ *The Bullock Family lit a candle in memory of Tina F. Smith*



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**The Bullock Family** - January 15, 2022 at 01:16 PM



“ *Expressing my deepest sympathy to Derrick and Family . Tina was such a light and showed so much support to the children with cancer in my organization.*

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**Mrs Tamika Bullock** - January 15, 2022 at 01:15 PM



“ *My niece Tina was a beautiful person inside and out. I loved all her posts on Facebook. They were encouraging. It was Inspiring to see how she kept the faith and kept going through it all. I thank God for her strong support. She was blessed and a blessing to many. She was strong and a great example for us all. She had a beautiful smile. She was a light on Facebook. I thank God for her. She fought a good fight and she finish her course. God blessed the family and give you strength. May the. LORD Comfort you all and give peace to your mind. I send my Condolences. Love Aunt Elma L.*

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**Elma Lomack** - January 14, 2022 at 12:45 PM

CJ

“ To the family of Tina, With each new day may PEACE find a place in your hearts. As you walk through this time of loss, may you know that the Lord walks with you and he will comfort you. – May God bless All of you.

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**Cuetta Jackson** - January 14, 2022 at 10:27 AM

KK

“ What a beautiful soul! Tina was loved by everyone she came in contact with. She was always smiling and full of life. I so enjoyed working with Tina and will miss her laugh and friendship. She was a very special person and I am blessed to have known her!! Praying for your family during this time.

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**Kelsey Kiser** - January 13, 2022 at 11:05 AM

 Patti  
Hairston

“ My condolences to the family!  
Aunt Tina, you have always been there for me, more than I could thank you for! I'm really going to miss you. Your hugs and that sweet smile of yours!

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**Patti Hairston** - January 11, 2022 at 11:25 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.



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January 11, 2022 at 09:44 PM

LH

“ Dear Pearson Family, You have my deepest condolences. Tina touched so many Lives, Hearts, Spirits and Souls. She was a true reflection of God's Love, Grace and Mercy. Pearson Family (Ma, Pop, Terry and Tiera), Thank you for always welcoming us with open arms, loving us and demonstrating God's Love. Tina was a Great Big Sister/Friend and always made people feel welcomed no matter what. Tina was beautiful inside and out and she left a footprint in a lot of our Lives. She will truly be missed. Tina, we Love you, we will miss you & so Grateful to God for You... Until we meet again❤️ May God Bless the Pearson and Smith Family during this difficult time.

Love,

Laurie Hairston and Family

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Laurie Hairston - January 11, 2022 at 09:03 PM

NM

“ You will be in our hearts always ❤️ Tina was a very sweet lady and always kept a smile.

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Naze' Malone - January 11, 2022 at 12:49 PM

MR

“ My condolences to the Pearson family for the loss of their beloved Tina. I know that those who worked with Tina at Congressional Federal Credit Union send sincere sorrow at the passing of this gentle human being. Tina's quiet nature was a reminder to me to think before speaking, before passing judgement and that in doing so, a kinder word might be expressed. Tina was a delight to work with and the type of person to bridge differences for the good of all. The world has lost a kind person. Rest eternally Tina - Michael Ray

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Michael Ray - January 11, 2022 at 12:20 PM

PT

“ Pearson Family - Dad, Mom, Terry & Tiera purchased the Strength and Wisdom Casket Spray for the family of Tina F. Smith.



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**Pearson Family - Dad, Mom, Terry & Tiera** - January 11, 2022 at 09:39 AM

FG

“ God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him. My prayers are with you. Florence Goldsborough and Family

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**Florence Goldsborough** - January 11, 2022 at 12:42 AM

FD

“ From the family of Javon and Deuce purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Tina F. Smith.



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**From the family of Javon and Deuce** - January 10, 2022 at 06:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.



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January 10, 2022 at 05:15 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.*



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January 10, 2022 at 01:56 PM



“ *The Dalfrey Family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Tina F. Smith.*



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**The Dalfrey Family** - January 10, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Kathy Dalfrey** - January 10, 2022 at 12:42 PM



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**Kathy Dalfrey** - January 10, 2022 at 12:40 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Tina F. Smith.*



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January 10, 2022 at 12:36 PM



“ *My deepest condolences on the loss of Tina. She was such a kind and gentle woman and I will admit as her colleague I didn't even know her daily battle because she handled every single day with grace and gratitude. She will be terribly missed by her USSFCU work family. May her memory sustain her family and close friends during this difficult time and in the years to come. Blessings to you all.*



*Sincerely,  
Miranda Wheeler  
Tina's co-worker at USSFCU*

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**Miranda** - January 10, 2022 at 12:25 PM



“ *To my work Birthday Twin, we will forever be in my heart! My prayers go out to your family. May we treasure the special moments we had with you!*

*Morgan Middleton*

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**Morgan Middleton** - January 10, 2022 at 11:27 AM

LW

“ *Lottie Webb lit a candle in memory of Tina F. Smith*



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**lottie webb** - January 10, 2022 at 11:25 AM

CG

“ *To the Smith and Pearson Families...my sincerest condolences to you in the loss of your dear Tina. She was a good friend of my daughter, Staci Green, and a Bennett sister! Through their friendship Tina became a part of our family and I love her as my own! She was a lovely, sweet, compassionate person...Godmother to my grandson, Kevin, and Auntie to his siblings. We will all miss her so! She waged a war against cancer that was courageous, fierce and brave...a real fighter! Her spirit will live on far beyond her days here! She will never be forgotten! Rest in peace, my "other daughter"!!*  
*Sincerely*  
*Carolyn Berry Green*



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**Carolyn Berry Green** - January 09, 2022 at 06:04 PM

MD

“ *Tina, you were an angle that God put here for a reason. Now you can rest in his arms for every. I will miss that smile that said a million words. Aunt Margie Davis (Clinton Md)*

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**margie davis** - January 09, 2022 at 11:30 AM

DS

“ *Diane B. Smith lit a candle in memory of Tina F. Smith*



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**Diane B. Smith** - January 08, 2022 at 02:22 PM



“ *We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - January 08, 2022 at 11:08 AM