

Dear Family and Friends,

I want you to know that I have moved. I RECEIVED A CALL FROM GOD, the chief architecture, who informed me that I could move in immediately.

You know that I have been sending my timber and only the chief carpenter Jesus Christ could do. Some were a little broad, or not long enough.

Well, my new home is finished and it is such a beautiful sight to behold! It is located in an exclusive estate area and it sits behind beautiful pearly gates just off a serene celestial shore. Of course the streets are paved with gold and every day is Sunday here, I have been told. I've lived many places before my new home was prepared and none of the others compare.

There is peace, joy, and happiness here with no pain to bear, no strife or discontent. There is only sweet serenity everywhere and I could go on and on about my new home, but I have to get fitted for my wings.

My new address is:  
Tyler D. Smith  
Psalm 119 Jesus Way  
God's Town, Heaven 10/01/2016

Love you all,  
*tyler D. Smith*  
P.S.

I don't have a phone yet, just call God. If you dont have the number, He is listed in the Holy Book on every page.



**FLOWER LADIES:**  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
Houston County High Class of 2015

**PALLBEARERS:**  
Corli Carter                      Nickolas Spikes  
Phillip Shepperson            Darius Collins  
Reginald Carter, III            Kennethe L. Wilson

**HONORARY PALLBEARERS:**  
Houston County High Class of 2015  
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**  
The family would like to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for all of the love, kindness and thoughtful gestures that have been bestowed upon us during our time of celebration.

FINAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:  
*Hicks & Sons Mortuary*  
801 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, U.S. Hwy. 341,  
South, Fort Valley, GA 31030-1119  
478-825-0760

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Celebration of Life for  
**TYLER**  
*De Marcus*  
**SMITH**

JUNE 27, 1997 - OCTOBER 1, 2016

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2016**  
12:00 PM

**TAYLOR COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**  
*Auditorium*  
24 OAK STREET | BUTLER, GA 31006

# OBITUARY

*His Life*



The world was blessed in a special way when Tyler DeMarcus Smith made his debut on June 27, 1997 to the parentage of Demetrius and Shannon Golphin-Smith in Valdosta, Georgia. He was joined two years later by his brother, Colby Dion. Affectionate, loving, spiritually grounded; jovial, optimistic, analytical and compassionate are only a few of the adjectives that anyone who knew him would say describe Tyler. Tyler spent his formative years living on and around college and university campuses in Florida, Georgia and Kansas. Therefore, he embraced diversity and accepted change with vigor.

During his matriculation in high school, Tyler was a member of the Latin Honor Society and the Latin Club. He was also an active member of the Warner Robins Kappa Leadership Development League for over five years, 2010-2015. In 2015, Tyler graduated from Houston County High School after spending four years as a JROTC cadet and aspiring Air Force Officer. With his continued aspirations of becoming an Air Force Airman, Tyler entered Valdosta State University and was a member of the VSU AFROTC and was pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Information System.

He lives to cherish his fond and loving memory, parents, Demetrius and Shannon; brother, Colby Dion, of Kathleen, GA; paternal grandmother, Cynthia Carter of Montezuma, GA and paternal grandfather, Wallace Smith (Monica) of Augusta, GA; maternal grandparents, Ernest and Annie Pearl Golphin of Oglethorpe, GA; great grandmother, Naomi Carter of Butler, GA; one aunt, Renata Smith of Augusta, GA; uncles, Shawn Golphin of Montezuma, GA, Stanley Golphin (Renee) and Jason

Golphin of Oglethorpe, GA, Devin Smith of Las Vegas, NV and Touri Smith of Atlanta, GA; several dedicated friends, Austin Hines, Alex Ross, Angela Garcia, Montreal Evens, Ian Brigges, Benny Broud, Shanice Witicker, Zach Tarpley, Montrez Cox and Devin McGeaughay; two mentors and big brothers, Antonio McCray and Nickolas Spikes, and a host other relatives and friends.



# ORDER

*of His Celebration*

Rev. Weaver L. Smith, Jr., Presiding

- The Processional.....Family & Friends
- The Song of Praise.....Patrick Shelton
- The Liturgy of the Word:
  - Old Testament.....Pastor Robert Bowman  
*Greater Harvest Ministries, Stockbridge, GA*
  - New Testament.....Minister Jeffery Rogers  
*First Salem Baptist Church, Montezuma, GA*
- The Reflections:
  - As a God Uncle.....Paul Dotson  
*Wichita, Kansas*
  - As a God Aunt.....Dr. Tracy Barnes  
*Fitzgerald, Georgia*
- Open Reflections.....Three (3) Minutes Maximum
- The Prayer of Consolation.....Rev. Dr. Guss Bodison, Jr.
- The Song of Comfort.....Rashod Dumas
- The Eulogy.....Rev. Weaver L. Smith, Jr.
- The Resolutions
- The Recessional

*Committal Services*  
West End Cemetery  
Butler, GA

*Repast*  
The Family will receive friends at the  
Taylor County Upper Elementary School  
218 E. Main Street, Butler, Georgia,  
immediately following the Committal Services.