



Irving M. Smith

September 11, 1959 - February 13, 2020

Irving McClean Smith of New Haven, Connecticut, affectionately known to all as “Mack” or “Mackey” was the son of Anabel (Ruth) Allen Smith and the late Irving E. Smith. He was born on September 11, 1959 in the US Virgin Islands on the island of St Thomas. Mack transitioned from his early life and entered into the heavenly realm on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at Yale New Haven Hospital of New Haven, Connecticut at the age of 60 from liver cancer.

Mack moved from St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands to New Haven, Connecticut with his family in 1963 at an early age. He was educated in the New Haven Public School System where he attended Hillhouse High School. He enjoyed attending school as well as his favorite extracurricular activity, karate. Mack also took great pleasure in delivering the weekly newspapers, The Courier, in the morning and the New Haven Register in the afternoon. Mack was employed by Harold’s in downtown New Haven where he was a busboy and a cook. After graduating from high school in ‘77, he worked for the UI for 10 years until he left on disability. Mack became known as the neighborhood handyman, from doing projects on the homes of family and friends to small businesses and restaurants. In his spare time he could be found in New York keeping up with the latest fashion trends of the city and visiting his very close cousin Jimmy Harris, other family members and friends.

As a member of St Luke’s Episcopal Church, Mack served as an usher. In his

latter years he became a member of the men's club and also contributed to several endeavors including the turkey drive, diaper drive and the food pantry at the church. In his spare time, Mack cherished quality time with his daughters and grandchildren. He was a loving, timely and a supportive father and grandfather. Mack always told jokes, and traveled to his second home, New York City. His favorite team was the New York Mets where he would attend games yearly with his daughter.

Mack will be remembered for always moving at his own pace, his favorite blue Cadillac, wearing anything rocawear or blue and pinching cheeks and grabbing noses of all his daughters, nieces and nephews.

Mack leaves to forever cherish his faith, strength, and precious memory of his life and love: mother, Anabel Smith of North Haven, Connecticut, daughters Notonya McCoy of Hamden, Connecticut, MyaJuan Hunter and Kirvanna Jones both of New Haven, Connecticut; his two grandchildren Dajhana Hunter and Grey Sharpe of New Haven, Connecticut. Four siblings, Ira J. Smith of Antioch, California, Everson (Chubby) Smith of New Haven, Connecticut, Allen E. Smith (Jennifer) of Oceanside, California and Keith B. Smith (Christina) of Nottingham, Maryland; his aunts Brenda C. Smith and Dorothy T. Smith of Littleton, North Carolina, Alice Jackson of Inglewood, California, Mary Allen and Margaret A. and Leroy Walwyn of St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands; uncles, Glendale M. Smith (Vanetta) of New Haven, Connecticut and Thomas Greenaway of New York, and beloved cousin Devon "Dove" Ryan of Boston, Massachusetts. In addition, Mack leaves to cherish his memory a host of nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Mack was preceded in death by his father, Irving E. Smith, brother Irvin Sam Smith, cousin Jimmy Harris, maternal and paternal grandparents, maternal aunts and paternal uncles.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Lukes
111 Whalley Ave
New Haven, CT

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Irving M. Smith*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *Toni and the Smith family.
We send our deepest sympathy.
Kisha Anderson Sims and family*

kisha sims - February 22, 2020 at 08:52 PM



“ *To the Smith family, my deepest condolences. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May God be a comfort to you during this difficult time.*

Cheryl Gambrell-Claxton - February 22, 2020 at 08:39 AM



“ *To the smith family and my niece notonya my heart goes out to you all and just know god makes no mistakes he's resting now you have my deepest sympathy thoughts and prayers may god comfort you threw this time love you all*

lashawn mccoey - February 21, 2020 at 09:26 AM



NJ

“ Nichelle Nikki Joyner lit a candle in memory of Irving M. Smith



Nichelle Nikki Joyner - February 20, 2020 at 07:43 PM

MT

“ Sending my condolences to Irving's family at this sad time.

Maurice Tyson - February 20, 2020 at 11:14 AM

SJ

“ My Prayers and Condolences to the Smith Family!
Mack was a very talented electrician he did some small jobs for me around my house in Hamden. Mack was like family.



Sharon Jones-Roninson - February 20, 2020 at 10:59 AM

YM

“ My condolences & prayers to the family❤️
RIP Mack🙏🙏



Yvette McNeil - February 20, 2020 at 09:56 AM

DT

“ My condolences to the family I met Mack at Stop and Shop. Always had a smile for me. What a true gentleman. RIP. 🙏

Denise Tartaglia - February 20, 2020 at 04:10 AM

EE

“ *Eileen Esdaile lit a candle in memory of Irving M. Smith*



eileen esdaile - February 19, 2020 at 11:38 PM

TE

“ *Rest in paradise Love always Tehisha McCoy / string bean 🥹*

Tehisha - February 19, 2020 at 10:39 PM

AB

“ *Alexandria Brown lit a candle in memory of Irving M. Smith*



Alexandria Brown - February 19, 2020 at 10:33 PM

DW

“ *I love you Mack. I can't even beleive this. Way too soon. Gonna miss you brother. My condolences to all of his family and friends. He was one of the most genuine people I've ever met, and I'm privileged to have had him as a friend. Rest in peace brother, and may we meet again some day.*

David White - February 19, 2020 at 01:31 PM



“ *To the Family so very sorry for your lost, To my niece Tonie, stay strong ,just know Mackey is in a better place ,he is in no more pain,for to be absent from the body is to be present with the lord.Keeping you in my prayers*



Marilyn Grimes - February 19, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ *To The Family Ya'll Have My Deepest Sympathy and Prayers
Babygirl Toni Cry Your last Tears It's Gonma Be Alright....
R.I.Paradise Mack*



Cynthia McCoy - February 18, 2020 at 08:32 PM



“ *Toni and family,
may you find comfort during this time of bereavement
reflect often on your memories with Mackey
You are forever in my prayers*

Towanna Duncan - February 18, 2020 at 02:18 PM

NW

“ *My condolences to the Smith Family may He sleep in peace . Grew up with Mac on Carmel Street . always been very nice a never had a bad thing to say about anyone..*



Nadine Wylie - February 18, 2020 at 12:19 PM

LW

“ *Loretta White lit a candle in memory of Irving M. Smith*



Loretta white - February 18, 2020 at 11:32 AM

VC

My condolences to the family And Toni Mccoy my prayers r with you baby girl

vanessa spruill chambers - February 20, 2020 at 07:48 PM

VC

My deepest condolences to all of the family

vanessa spruill chambers - February 20, 2020 at 07:48 PM

DW

Mack, Love you brother. I can't even believe this. Mack was one of the most down to earth, friendliest people you could have ever met. He would always be there to lend a helping hand whenever anybody needed. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends. Mack, it's just not going to feel right without you around. I'm going to miss you brother. It's been a privelege to have you as a freind for all these years, I just wish it could have lasted so much longer. Rest in Peace my friend. Until we meet again... Dave

David White - February 21, 2020 at 09:56 AM