



Shakeem Damandla Swazea (born Carl D. Smith, Jr.)

July 25, 1954 - January 5, 2019

Shakeem Damandla Swazea (born Carl D. Smith, Jr.), was born July 25, 1954 in Memphis, Tennessee Carl Smith and Hattie Smith. He departed this life suddenly on January 5, 2019. He is predeceased by his father Carl Smith, Sr. and a brother, Michael Dewayne

“Shak” as he was affectionately called leaves to cherish his memory, his mother, Hattie Dewitt Dean; five sons, Loren Smith, Djibril Saadiq, Shamarius Swazea, Carvelus (Ashley) Smith, Cardeus Vonte’ Smith; three daughters, Lavina Thompson, Carlynda Smith, Shakeima Swazea; a brother Jason (Tina) Smith, Gwen Bowman, Kandice (Arthur) Humphrey; twelve grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

Services will be held 12:00 P.M. Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at Grace Temple Ministries, 2693 Park Ave. Memphis, Tennessee 38114. Visitation will be Tuesday, January 15, 2019 from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Williams Funeral Home, 5270 Knight Arnold Rd. and 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Wednesday, prior to services. Interment at West Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

West Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery

4000 Forrest Hill - Irene Road
Memphis, TN 38125

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN **15**. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Williams Funeral Home
5270 Knight Arnold Rd
Memphis, TN 38118
(901) 592-5160
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.online>

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Grace Temple Ministries
2693 Park Ave.
Memphis, TN 38114

Service

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“ When our dad died, I was 17. I had just graduated, and was getting ready to go to college. My dad and I were close, and I was heartbroken. I needed some time alone to process, and Dennis walked with me. I asked him who was going to walk me down the aisle when I got married. Dennis said, "I got you, little sis. I'll walk you down the aisle." And he did. He was just always my big bro. We didn't talk everyday, but we always checked in with each other. Miss him.

Kandice Humphrey

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