



## Mother Clarice Smith Davis

December 19, 1932 - January 28, 2025

Statesboro, Georgia

Clarice Smith Davis, the daughter of Will Smith and Clara Kelly Smith, was born in Register, Bulloch County, Georgia on Monday, December 19th, 1932. She answered the Master's call and passed into peaceful rest on Tuesday, January 28th, 2025, at the East Georgia Regional Medical Center, Statesboro, Georgia.

The Bulloch County native received her formal education in Bulloch County School System at Pope's Academy. She accepted Christ in her youth, united with the St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church Family. Mother Davis sat as a member of the Deaconess Board, Mother Board, Senior Choir, and served as a Sunday school teacher.

In her early years, she enjoyed playing basketball, precision shooting, and traveling to visit family. During her lifetime, she fulfilled the duty of being a homemaker. She also worked in the transportation industry as a school bus driver alongside her late husband. Her hobbies included: sewing, gardening, cooking and baking, singing, reading, and studying her Bible. She was often requested to bake cakes and pies for special church events.

Clarice Smith united in marriage to Joseph Davis Sr. on October 24, 1953:

This loving union was blessed with nine children.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her three brothers, Wilford Smith, C.W. Smith and Lee Swinton Smith, and four sisters, Leola Munlin, Ellen Williams, Hilda Hagins, and Sadie Gilmore, her husband Joseph Davis Sr., son, Joseph Davis, Jr., daughter, Jeano Kimberly Davis and reared grandson, Demetrius Wright.

She leaves to cherish many fond and loving memories: her seven children, Rhoda (Jeremiah) Coward of Homestead, FL, Carolyn Wright of Statesboro, GA, Joanne (Gary) Sabb, of Portal, GA, Joyce (Alonzo) Lane of Statesboro, GA, Cherry Davis of Statesboro, GA, Craig (Renee) Davis of Atlanta, GA and Crystal (John) Groeschel of Colorado; adopted daughter, Ramona Perry of Savannah, GA, and her sister-in-law, Susie Smith of Statesboro, GA, including three grandchildren she reared, Shana Deal, Jai Sabb, and late Demetrius Wright, eighteen grandchildren altogether, twenty-three great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

A viewing for Mrs. Clarice Davis will be held on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, from 4 P.M. to 7 P.M. at Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Mrs. Davis will lie in repose at the church on the day of service, from 10 A.M. until the funeral hour. There will be no viewing after the eulogy.

The funeral service will be held at 11 A.M. Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at the St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Timotheus Mincey, pastor presiding and the Elder Donald Chavers, Jr., officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Final rites have been entrusted to Hill's Mortuary, Inc.



# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Hill's Mortuary, Inc.  
58 Packinghouse Road  
Statesboro, GA 30458

## Lie In State

FEB 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church  
2227 Mallard Pond Road  
Statesboro, GA 30461

## Funeral Service

FEB 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Statesboro, GA 30461

## Burial

FEB 5 (ET)

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2227 Mallard Pond Road  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Hill's Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mother Clarice Smith Davis*



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**Hill's Mortuary, Inc.** - February 04, 2025 at 04:37 PM

WW

“ *I treasure my beautiful memories of this amazing woman she always displayed LOVE to everyone. I thank GOD he wonderfully placed her in my life.*

*To the Davis Family we Pray and Love You 🙏🙏🙏*

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**Wyatt Ward** - February 05, 2025 at 11:22 AM

K-

“ *My condolences to the family, may God comfort you all doing this time.*



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**Katie Harrison -Raymond** - February 05, 2025 at 09:09 AM

LW

“ *Lucia Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mother Clarice Smith Davis*



Lucia wallace - February 04, 2025 at 04:55 AM

DB

“ *Craig, Renee and Chloe, Sending healing prayers and lots of hugs. May God comfort you in your loss of Mother Clarice. Denise Bennett (Atlanta)*

Denise Bennett - February 02, 2025 at 10:42 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mother Clarice Smith Davis.*



February 02, 2025 at 10:36 PM

FF

“ *From Theodore & Pauline Whitfield Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mother Clarice Smith Davis.*



From Theodore & Pauline Whitfield Family - February 02, 2025 at 08:47 PM

BW

“ *Sending love and prayers to the Davis Family*

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**Bernard and Linda J Wright** - February 01, 2025 at 11:07 AM

PD

“ *My deepest condolences to the Davis/Smith Family.*



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**Patricia Rich Donaldson** - January 31, 2025 at 11:31 PM

RW

“ *Richard Indelicato & Virginia Walters lit a candle in memory of Mother Clarice Smith Davis*



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**Richard Indelicato & Virginia Walters** - January 31, 2025 at 06:51 PM

MA

“ *MY CONDOLENCES TO THE DAVIS FAMILY  
LOVE MARILYN*



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**MARILYN** - January 31, 2025 at 03:52 PM

LW

“ MY CONDOLENCES TO THE DAVIS FAMILY



Lynette Jones Wilcox - January 30, 2025 at 07:21 PM

WF

“ The White & McCray Family sends our love & deepest condolences to....Love Eugene & Bonita McCray White & father Harold McCray

White Family - January 30, 2025 at 12:40 PM

RP

“ My memory is her love for the Lord.

Ramona Perry - January 29, 2025 at 09:52 PM

DD

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the family! I'll forget the days you drove the bus & your husband!! You will be missed 🙏📄



Danlyn Brown Devine - January 29, 2025 at 08:26 PM

AP

“ Arnold Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mother Clarice Smith Davis



Arnold Perkins - January 29, 2025 at 10:49 AM

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Mother Clarice Smith Davis*



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**Arnold Perkins** - January 29, 2025 at 10:43 AM