



Mr. Zema Smith Jr.

August 23, 1965 - March 12, 2026

Statesboro, Georgia

Mr. Zema Smith, Jr. was born on August 23, 1965, in Bulloch County, Georgia, to the late Mr. Zema "Bull" Smith, Sr. and Mrs. Susie Lee Smith. He passed away peacefully at his home in Statesboro, GA, on Thursday, March 12, 2026.

As a lifelong resident of Bulloch County, Mr. Smith received his education through the local public school system. He graduated from Statesboro High School in 1984. Later, he attended Ogeechee Technical College, where he not only studied but also taught CDL driving courses. His professional journey began at Bulloch Fertilizer Company, and he went on to enjoy a long career as a truck driver. After retiring from truck driving, he became the owner of Zema Farms, LLC.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by his father, Mr. Zema "Bull" Smith, Sr., and his grandmother, Mrs. Lee Joe Smith.

He is survived by his son, Zorion Smith; his mother, Susie Smith; his sister, Cynthia Kelley; and his brother, Tonny Smith and wife Betty, all of Statesboro, GA. Mr. Smith also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends who will fondly remember him.

A public walk-through viewing will be held from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M., Saturday, March 21, 2026 at the funeral home.

The funeral service for Mr. Zema Smith, Jr., will be held at 2 P.M., Sunday, March 22, 2026, at the Ben Samuel Hill Memorial Chapel of Hill's Mortuary with the Rev. Timotheus Mincey, presiding and the Elder Donald Chavers, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Cemetery in Clito, Georgia.

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

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR **21**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Hill's Mortuary, Inc.
58 Packinghouse Road
Statesboro,, GA 30458
(912) 764-7134

Celebration of Life Service

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

MAR **22** (ET)

Mt. Olive Baptist Church
Statesboro, GA 30458

Tribute Wall

CP

“ Christopher P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Zema Smith Jr..

Christopher P. - March 22 at 08:11 PM

DF

“ My condolences to the family.



Delphia Florence - March 22 at 06:58 AM

JD

“ J Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Zema Smith Jr.



J Davis - March 21 at 04:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Zema Smith Jr..



March 21 at 09:53 AM



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“ As brothers and sisters of Christ we will truly miss talking about the Lord's good works with you Mr. Zema! Our condolences to your family.
TRUCK & INDUSTRIAL INC.

Truck & Industrial, Inc. - March 20 at 06:41 AM



“ Marilyn Childers & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Zema Smith Jr.



Marilyn Childers & Family - March 19 at 09:13 PM



“ Brett and Michelle Smith purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Zema Smith Jr..



Brett and Michelle Smith - March 19 at 02:37 PM

RS

“ *Ruth Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Zema Smith Jr.*



Ruth Smith - March 19 at 11:35 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Zema Smith Jr..*



March 18 at 11:23 AM

NB

“ *My Heartfelt Condolences to the family and friends. Rest In Paradise Classmate. Zema was a great easy going guy. C/O 84 Strong.*

Netarcha Brown - March 16 at 10:25 PM

EK

“ *The Roberts Family like to send our condolences to the family... Stanley, Joanne, Larry, Evonn, Tejia and Coco. Our prayer are with you. May the Lord Strength everyone at this time.*

Evonn Key - March 16 at 12:11 PM

MJ

“ Praise the LORD! I remember going over Susie's house for rehearsal. Zema was right there helping out (not with the singing). His infectious smile will always be what I remember. Susie and family, you're all in my prayers. RWG brother.
Min. Cynthia Norfleet-Jackson



Min. Cynthia Jackson - March 14 at 10:38 PM

LW

“ Lynette Jones Wilcox lit a candle in memory of Mr. Zema Smith Jr.



Lynette Jones Wilcox - March 13 at 09:25 PM

AP

“ Prayers 🙏🙏 and Condolences goes out to the Smith family! R.I.P. classmate!



Arnold Perkins - March 13 at 02:19 PM