



Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry

June 19, 1957 - October 18, 2025

“To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.”

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Elaine Smith Berry was born on June 19, 1957, in Independence, Louisiana, the seventh child of Cornelius and Gragulee Smith. At an early age, Elaine accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and became a faithful member of Big Creek A.M.E. Church in Kentwood, Louisiana. She later joined Oak Ridge Missionary Church in Wilmer, Louisiana, where she continued to grow in faith and service.

Elaine received her education at O.W. Dillon Memorial High School through the 7th grade and graduated from Spring Creek High School in 1975. She went on to attend Southeastern Louisiana University for two years before beginning her professional career. Elaine first worked for Entergy for two years and later joined LSU Agriculture, where she served faithfully for 15 years.

On December 24, 1983, Elaine married Carl W. Stewart. Together, they were blessed with three children: Terry Smith, Sr., Kameko Smith, and Ambrey Stewart. Though the marriage later ended in divorce, their bond as a family remained strong.

In 2020, Elaine found love again and on February 8, 2020, she married Mr. Charles E. Berry of Greensburg, Louisiana and their home was filled with love, laughter, and happiness.

Elaine retired in 2021 from Regina Coeli Head Start after 15 years of dedicated service. She was a devoted mother, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend. Elaine enjoyed spending time with her family, traveling, shopping, and especially spoiling her grandchildren.

Elaine was called to eternal rest on October 18, 2025. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

She leaves to cherish her memory, two loving daughters, Kameko Smith and Ambrey Stewart; one devoted son, Terryl Smith, Sr., (Shanita McKnight), all of Kentwood, Louisiana; nine grandchildren; six great grandchildren; three sisters, Mae Vernon (James) of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Mary Walls (Hollis) of Humble, Texas, and Gail Sims; two brothers, Gary Smith (Mable) and Alton Smith (Margorie); three sisters-in-law, Bobbie Smith of Dallas, Texas, Jeanette Smith of Baton Rouge, and Cynthia Tenninson of Hammond, Louisiana; one brother-in-law, Charles Sims of Baton Rouge, Louisiana; five stepchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Cornelius and Gragulee Smith; grandson, Javelyn Smith; great-granddaughter, Kaisley Solomon; two brothers, Hollis Smith and Eddie Smith; and nephew, Leon Smith.

Elaine's memory will forever live in the hearts of those she touched with her kindness, love, and gentle spirit.

"Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Lord."

Matthew 25:23

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

B.J. Ginn Funeral & Cremation Services
61077 Bennett Rd
Amite, LA 70422
(985) 247-2950
bobby@bjginn.com
<http://bjginn.com>

Service

OCT **25**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist Church
20417 Oakridge Church Road
Kentwood, LA 70444

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *My condolences. Gonna miss that beautiful kind soft spoken voice. Never had a harsh word to say about no one. RIP*

Janyce pool - October 26, 2025 at 05:47 PM

GB

“ *My deepest condolences to the family and friends. I love you Elaine and will miss you. We were family since the first time we met. Always made me laugh. Will miss the joy! Love, Glenda (Rene) Blevins 🙏*

Glenda A. Blevins - October 25, 2025 at 11:51 AM

BM

“ *Bertha Miller~Robertson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry*



Bertha Miller~Robertson - October 24, 2025 at 01:38 AM

MJ

“ *Michael and Devonah Johnson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry.*



Michael and Devonah Johnson - October 23, 2025 at 11:19 PM

TC

“ Tracey Cook lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry



Tracey Cook - October 23, 2025 at 05:23 PM

TC

“ Elaine "Laine", I'll forever love you.

Tracey Cook - October 23, 2025 at 05:23 PM



“ I will surely miss my school friend my let's talk a while friend and when she wanted a hairstyle she would call me I know you're at piece now my love no more pain nor sorrow I just wish we could have had that last dance together REST IN PEACE MY LOVE

Antionette Warren - October 22, 2025 at 06:20 PM

LD

My prayers and thoughts to the Smith-Berry family.

Linda Dawson - October 24, 2025 at 12:28 PM

SB

“ Elaine will be deeply missed, she was always so kind and full of laughs ,my Prayers and Deepest sympathy to her Family

Sherry Butler - October 21, 2025 at 08:20 PM

RG

To the family's of Mrs.Elaine Have my Deepest condolences 🙏 for yall strength in Jesus name 🙏

Rosie Gibson - October 21, 2025 at 10:00 PM

CH

“ Elaine was always nice to me. She had a beautiful smile and heart ❤️❤️. She will be missed.
RIP Elaine 😞😭



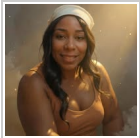
Cassandra Harvey - October 21, 2025 at 08:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry.



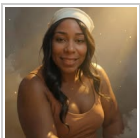
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“ Brandi Briggs lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry



Brandi Briggs - October 21, 2025 at 03:52 PM



“ I really love cousin Elaine I remember one time I got in trouble I stayed after school and caught the bus to her house I did not ask my mom she sure got me straight about being grown and I thank her for it she has always gave me encouraging words and letting me know the right things to do rest easy My girl love Brandy Briggs

Brandi Briggs - October 21, 2025 at 03:52 PM

GD

My heartfelt condolences to the Family. She was an angel on earth. Cherish the love and beautiful memories. She always had a smile and was always willing to help anyone who needed it. Rest in Heaven my Sista. Gwen ❤️

Gwen Blevins Dyson - October 21, 2025 at 05:20 PM

NM

“ *Deepest Sympathy* 🙏🙏🙏 *for the family*



Nicole Magee - October 21, 2025 at 03:09 PM

CB

“ *Charles M. Brown purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry.*



Charles M. Brown - October 20, 2025 at 04:04 PM

CB

“ *Charles M. Brown planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Elaine Smith Berry.*

Charles M. Brown - October 20, 2025 at 04:04 PM