



## Ms Mahala M. Smith

June 14, 1912 - July 6, 2013

Mahala Smith, born in Arkansas City, Arkansas, the daughter of Martin and Elizabeth [Manley] Smith. Achieved her Master's Degree and taught schools in the New York Public School System.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Valhalla Funeral Chapel, Crematory and Cemetery  
7600 St. Charles Rock Road  
St. Louis, MO 63133  
(314) 721-4900  
<https://www.valhallafunerals.net>

## Funeral Private

JUL 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ This morning, the City Hope Bible Church family laid to rest our oldest member. In Mahala Smith's 101 years on this earth she: was taught to read by her illiterate grandmother (a former slave), graduated high school at 16, babysat the future Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., graduated from Clark Atlanta, fought injustice with future Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, earned a Master's degree in Education funded by the state of Atlanta (where African-Americans were not allowed to pursue advanced degrees), came in second to Marian Anderson, and walked hand-in-hand across Tuskegee's campus with George Washington Carver talking about the Lord, and helped to build City Hope Bible Church. She lived a big life in a small body through times when brown skin was an enormous liability.

*We are honored that our church family was blessed to love and be loved by such an amazing woman of God.*

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**Eboni R. Armour** - July 12, 2013 at 10:53 PM



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**Valhalla Funeral Chapel, Crematory and Cemetery** - July 11, 2013 at 09:43 AM

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“ Jonathan and Carolyn Lopez purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Ms Mahala M. Smith.



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Jonathan and Carolyn Lopez - July 09, 2013 at 10:39 AM

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“ To the Family.

*I am sorry for the lost of your family member and dear friend. I have an encouraging message that I would like to share with you from God's Word the Bible.*

*Like many people we all want to live and enjoy life with the ones we have lost to this aged-old-enemy death. Sadly, though because of health issues, injustice, crimes and old age we have to suffer the pain when ones fall asleep in death.*

*In the Bible at John 5:28,29 Christ Jesus states that all those in the memorial tombs (graves) will hear his voice and come out. These ones according to Psalm 37:11 will be resurrected right here on the earth.*

*The Bible also gives us comfort and hope at Revelation 21:3-5 which assures us that the day is soon to come in which our Heavenly Father is going to wipe away the tears of sorrow from our eyes forever and death will be no more.*

*I hope that after reading this that it will be of comfort to each of you.*

*To learn more as to why we die and what hope for our loved ones, please feel free to go to the website: [jw.org](http://jw.org).*

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Annette - July 09, 2013 at 10:18 AM