## In Loving Memory

On June 19, 1953 a baby girl, who was named Mitchelene Smith, was born to James and Bessie Smith in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Mitchelene was the 6th child born to this couple.

Mitchelene graduated with the 1971 Class of Northeast High School and received an Associate Degree in Program Administration from Oklahoma City Community College. She was once employed as a Licensed Beautician in California and Oklahoma. Mitchelene was employed in 1998 with the State of Oklahoma. She retired as an Administrative Assistant with the Department of Developmental Disabilities Service Division on December 21, 2013. While employed at DDSD, Mitchelene was awarded the Quality Award in the Best of the Best Professional Service for Area 1, for her devoted work as a dedicated employee.

Mitchelene married her high school sweetheart, Joy Clay. "Mitch" or "Big Momma" as she was affectionately called, loved plants, elephants, cooking Sunday dinner and having her family together for all holidays. She also loved making Easter Baskets for each of her children and grandchildren, but her biggest love was celebrating everybody's birthday with a special party and gift, just for them!

Mitchelene accepted Christ at a very early age and was a member of Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, where she was a member of the Naomi Davis Stewardess Board. She was also actively involved with many Masonic Organizations to include: Galedas #93 Order of the Eastern Star, Sarah B. Mosley Court #73 Heroines of Jericho, Lydia Assembly #84 Order of the Golden Circle and the NAACP, where she held various positions.

Members of her family that she will be spiritually reunited with in heaven are; her mother and father; two brothers: Clayven David Smith and James "Butch" Smith, Jr.; one sister, Linda Smith; and her beloved son, Kittrell Kyles.

Loved ones left to miss her and celebrate her home going are; one son, Nigel Clay; six daughters: Maquetta Carolina, Martinique Brown, Montinique Brown, Truc Lam Ngo, Truc Hahn Pham and Kimora Pham-Clay, all of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; nineteen grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, one aunt, Mattie Lynch; two sisters: Ida Pearl Smith and Mattie Sotelo; three brothers: Troy Fullbright, William "Bill" Smith and Cornelius Smith; many nieces, nephews, and other relatives. Also left to cherish "Mitch's" memories are her very, very best friends: Joyce Adams-Thurman and Joe Clay.