



Ms. Ezora Smithwick

October 15, 1938 - February 18, 2026

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the peaceful passing of our beloved Ezora Smithwick, who departed this life on February 18, 2026, at the age of 87. Born on October 15, 1938, in Washington, DC, Ezora lived a remarkable life filled with love, laughter, and treasured memories shared with family and friends.

Family and friends are invited to join us in honoring her life and legacy on March 12, 2026, at Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel. The memorial service will begin at 10:00 am.

As we gather to remember Ezora, we celebrate her beautiful spirit, her many accomplishments, and the countless lives she touched along the way. Though she will be deeply missed, her love and legacy will remain in our hearts forever.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 12. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel
5538 MARLBORO PIKE
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

Repast

MAR 12. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Pope Celebration Room
5538 Marlboro Pike
Forestville, MD 20747
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Tribute Wall



“Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Ezora Smithwick



Pope Funeral Homes - March 12 at 11:06 AM

SB

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”Matthew 5:4.

*Dear Gary and Greg,
Losing your Mommy, Ms. Ezora Smithwick is one of the deepest sorrows your hearts can know. Just remember that her goodness, her caring, and her wisdom live on. It's like a legacy of love that will always be with you. Now let that LOVE surround you now and bring you peace and comfort.*

*Let me know when you need something, friends for life.
Saundra*

Saundra Bouldin - March 11 at 09:00 PM

JF

“ *Janie Parker & Bonaparte Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Ms. Ezora Smithwick.*



Janie Parker & Bonaparte Family - March 11 at 06:37 PM

DH

“ *Gary, my deepest sympathy goes out to you and the entire Smithwick family on the loss of Ms. Ezora. She was such a smart, worldly, and deeply loving woman, and it's clear her strength lives on in all of you. You and your brother always cared for her with such devotion and tenderness, and especially in her later years - a true reflection of the love she poured into you throughout her life. May her memory bring you comfort, and may you feel surrounded by the same care you so faithfully gave to her.*

DH

Diane Harley - March 11 at 11:34 AM

HD

“ *The words I would use to describe Ms. Smithwick would be - A Gentle Soul, Grace, Quiet Strength.*



When I first met Ms. Smithwick all of the characteristics that I named above is what I saw in her. A very strong and smart woman and when I found out of her passing from Gary I was so sorry not just for myself but also for her children and family.

Gary, I want to give you and your brother and the family my deepest condolences. Losing your parents is hard but when it is your mom, to me it's even more difficult. I've been through it before with both my parents and you were someone I was able to confide in while going through my pain especially when it was my mother. So, I will be here and do the same for you especially if your days become difficult and you may need to talk to someone.

Again, I am here for you if you feel like you just need to talk. Please accept my condolences again for the loss of your mother. God needed her to continue to do his work.

Helen Desormeaux - March 11 at 12:20 AM

CH

“ Dear Gary,

I was so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. Please know that my thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.

While I did not have the privilege of knowing her personally, I can only imagine what an amazing mother she must have been. The kindness, strength, and caring spirit that you show to others are a beautiful reflection of the love and values she clearly instilled in you.

May the memories you shared with her bring you comfort, and may you feel surrounded by the love of those who care about you.

With heartfelt sympathy and friendship- Cheryl Dunn Badger

cheryl - March 10 at 08:14 PM

GH

“ *In life we loved you dearly, in death we love you and your family still, In our hearts you hold a place no one else will ever fill. Gary I am always here for support if you need me. You and your brother took great care of her and that is why she loved you all so much.*

Gail Holmes

Gail Holmes - March 10 at 11:14 AM

TH

With deepest condolences for your loss, my heart goes out you both Gary and Gregory, my cousins, my brothers. Growing up I never knew the difference. Our roots grow deep. I am always here for you if and when you need me. May the memory of your Mom Ezora live Eternally in our hearts. May each memory comfort your heart.

Tijuana Hines - March 12 at 07:32 AM

DO

“*To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. I was sitting here reflecting on our days carpooling. How I valued your wisdom, and you always seemed to be so professional. I remember coming home telling my mom how pretty your hair was, and it was so long you could sit on it. You wore it in a bun. I will always cherish your memory. Now you are resting in the arms of God. You will be missed.*”

Cousin Donna

Donna - March 09 at 10:33 PM

JR

“*Gary I just wanted to say you took really great care of your Mom. You always made sure she had her favorite Chinese Food. Gary I wanted to say to you losing a mother is a pain beyond words—a sorrow that reaches the deepest corners of the heart. As you prepare to say your final farewell to your beloved mother, remember the special way she loved you. Take comfort in knowing that God has called her to a new purpose, one filled with peace and light. Hold tight to the precious memories you shared—whether moments of laughter, lessons learned, or even the challenges that shaped your bond. In time, those memories will bring a soft smile to your face and warmth to your heart.*

Your mother leaves behind a legacy of love and cherished memories that will live on within you. Whenever grief feels heavy, look to those memories for comfort and strength. You now have a gentle angel watching over you, guiding you with compassion and love.

Hold on to your faith and trust in God’s promise. His love will carry you through this sorrow, bringing peace and solace when you need it most.

Joey and Monica Roundtree - March 05 at 08:34 PM



Gary your mom was a great blessing to you and your brother , a long life my prayers are with you Wendell your boyhood friend on N street

wendell wiggins - March 10 at 05:54 PM

*“ I will always remember when Ms. Smithwick would come out side and plant flowers in the yard. You could tell she live to garden. May she always Rest in Peace
The Roundtree’s*

Joey and Monica Roundtree - March 05 at 08:31 PM

“ Prayers and condolences from the Porter Family.

Robin Porter Smith - March 05 at 04:59 PM