



## Aaron Smith

April 11, 1962 - October 1, 2024

Born on April 11, 1962, in McKenzie, St. Ann, Jamaica, Aaron was the second-born twin and lost his brother at just two years old. This early loss may have shaped Aaron's compassion and empathy, qualities that defined his life.

Aaron's early childhood years were spent in Aenon Town, where he shared countless adventures with his brother Leighton. They spent hours playing marbles, exploring the outdoors, and creating lifelong memories. Leighton took pride in teaching Aaron to swim, a bond that would last a lifetime.

However, Aaron's mischievous side often got him into trouble. He disliked doing chores and would cleverly avoid them by staying away from home until nightfall, when everyone was asleep. This clever tactic helped him evade the consequences of his avoidance.

Aaron's educational journey began at Aboukir Primary School, followed by Cobler Training School, where he acquired auto mechanics skills. His diverse career path reflected his adaptability and resilience, serving as a chef, farmer, waiter, taxi operator, and surveillance supervisor. Yet, his true calling was as a minister of religion, preaching and teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Aaron's love for farming connected him to his roots, and his humility, kindness, and devotion to family were hallmarks of his character. After migrating to

America over 30 years ago, he continued to nurture these values.

Dalah, his loving wife, remembers Aaron as:

“The kindest soul. He would often give away his last to ensure others were okay.”

She cherishes memories of their dinner dates, where Aaron would say, “Honey, get dressed, I’m taking you out!” His culinary skills ensured she never had to cook. He affectionately called her “Honey Boo,” melting her heart every time.

Aaron’s storytelling was legendary, sharing hilarious childhood tales of mischief and adventure. His memory was incredible – he could recount stories from age two to sixty-two. He began writing his book, “A Long Way From Home,” six years ago, sharing his life journey.

As a devoted man of God, husband, father, and grandfather, Aaron’s legacy is one of love, kindness, and integrity. His impact on our lives is immeasurable.

As we continue to make sense of his life and his passing, and ask hundreds of questions, let us not forget that Aaron gave us a million reasons to smile, to laugh, to reflect, and to love. We are left today with his memories to embrace and a legacy of humility, selflessness, and integrity to carry on.

To his wife Dalah, his children, siblings, extended family, and church family, may we find comfort and bravely face the fact that Aaron is no longer here with us. We owe it to him and to ourselves to look at the bigger picture of his life. The bigger picture will also help us understand that all things work together for good to those who love the Lord and are called according to His purpose.

Rest in peace, Aaron. Your greatness will never be forgotten

# Previous Events

## Viewing

OCT **25**. 9:00 AM (ET)

Straight Gate Shiloah Apostolic Church  
1113 B Street  
Wilmington, DE 19801

## Celebration of Life

OCT **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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