

# OUR HERITAGE: "FACES OF THE PAST AND PRESENT"

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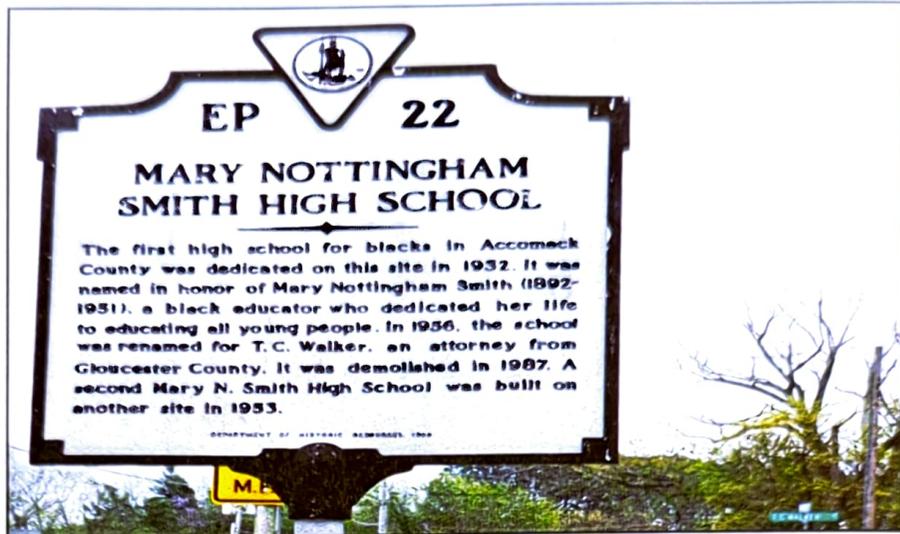
Colby West  
Class of 68



*Mary Nottingham Smith*  
*Founder of Mary Nottingham Smith High School*  
*Accomac, Virginia*

*Mary N. Smith Alumni Association Inc. Banquet*

*Accomac Elks Lodge*  
*Accomac, Virginia*  
*Saturday, July 28, 2012*  
*5:00 P.M.*



Unveiling of the Mary N. Smith Marker



Russell Corbin, standing at the podium during the unveiling of the Mary N. Smith Marker. Erected in 1992 by the Department of Historic Resources



# REMEMBERING...



## Mrs. Mary Nottingham Smith

### Who Was She? - An Educator

#### Background:

- Mary Nottingham Smith - Born August 22, 1882 in Townsend, Virginia, Northampton County, Eastern Shore, to the parents of John W. and Fannie Wright Nottingham
- She was educated in Northampton County, Norfolk Mission College and Hampton Institute
- She married Robert L. Smith, a business Contractor
- After teaching for a period of time in Concordia Parish County, Louisiana, she had a Vision and a Goal for the Eastern Shore. She wanted to come back and improve the quality of education for black girls and boys
- She served as one of the first Jeans supervisors in the state and served for 32 years as supervisor in Accomack County
- She was a lady of high ideals and great integrity
- She was extremely family oriented
- She was a hard community worker and, an ardent church worker
- The school was built and opened its doors in 1932. In 1934 the School Board named the first school for Mrs. Smith
- Because of her dedicated work and efforts, her legacy has been left to those whose lives were touched by her benevolence
- Plans for construction of the new Mary N. Smith was in progress at her demise in 1951

(Excerpts)

## Mary Nottingham Smith Dies At Home Sunday, Dec. 30

[From the *Eastern Shore News*]

Mary Nottingham Smith, age 65 years, long recognized as the leader in the advancement of education among the colored people of Accomack county, died at her home near Accomack, Sunday night, December 30, 1951.

"Mary" as she was familiarly known to residents throughout the county, will be long remembered, not only by those of her own race, for whom she fought to advance their welfare, but to hosts of the white population by whom she was highly regarded and respected.

"Mary" fought for those things, which in her own mind, she firmly believed necessary to bring improved conditions to the colored race—all of this through education. She went about her work quietly and modestly and was never questioned as to her ideals and aims in this direction. What she did for colored people she did unselfishly and with lofty motives.

Mary Nottingham Smith was born in Capeville, Northampton county, the daughter of John W. Nottingham and Fannie Nottingham. She attended local schools in lower Northampton and later Norfolk Mission College. Afterwards she went to Hampton Institute from which she was graduated.

After graduation she taught school in Essex county, where for two years she was principal. She returned home and taught at Townsend school, where again she was principal. From there she went to Concordia Parish, Louisiana as Supervisor of Schools and served there for five years.

The late G. G. Joynes, at that time School Superintendent of Accomack county schools heard of the record Mary Smith was making and offered her a place as Supervisor of the colored schools of Accomack county. She accepted and came here in 1920. Since that time she devoted her time—every moment of it—to the upbuilding of the Negro schools here. It was her life's work, and her record was one of service to others.

In the summer of 1929 the General Education Board sent her to work with Supervisors in training school principals at State College, South Carolina and in 1930 to State College in Florida to do work with a similar group.

Her work in Accomack county has been strictly improvement in every phase of school and community work. In 1934 the Accomack county School Board named the High School at Accomack in honor of her for her cooperative work with all people.

Whether in those things which meant something to her own race, or in things for the general welfare of all people, Mary gave the same interest and painstaking devotion. Thursday, December 20th, when she was stricken in her car before leaving her home she was enroute to the school board office on official duty. She slumped in the vehicle, never regaining consciousness.

Mary Smith was a member of the Negro Organization Society; member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; president of the Accomack Chapter, Alumni Association, Hampton Institute, and held various offices in Ebenezer A.M.E. Church, Capeville, where until the end she retained her membership.

Memorial services were held at Mary Nottingham Smith School at 11 o'clock in the morning, conducted by Rev. L. S. Roberts, pastor of Macedonia A.M.E. Church, Accomack and funeral services were held at Ebenezer,

Capeville, conducted by her pastor, the Rev. L. Stroud. Interment was in Ebenezer A.M.E. Church cemetery.

Surviving the deceased is her husband, Robert Smith, a former teacher and contractor, and Mrs. Barbara H. Upshur, a teacher at Accomack Elementary School. This is a great-niece, Mary Smith reared and educated from a child of three years.

Tribute of Henry A. Wise, County School Superintendent:

The Accomack County School system has suffered a very great loss in the passing of Mrs. Mary N. Smith, Supervisor of Negro schools. Mrs. Smith, one of the first Jeanes supervisors in the state, had served as supervisor in Accomack county for thirty-two years during those years of service not only set a pattern of supervisory work in Accomack county but in the state as a whole as well. Not only because of her years of service but because of her broad vision and synthetic understanding of school problems. Mrs. Smith was held in very high esteem by the State Department of Education and was frequently called into consultation by the members of the State Supervisors in the Elementary and High School fields. Her influence was therefore, not only in Accomack county but in the state at large as well.

To the teachers with whom she worked, Mrs. Smith was always an inspiration. She planned with them for them, and her plans always envisioned a program that called for better teaching, better understanding of the part of teachers for pupils, better understanding of all teacher problems, and a better understanding of responsibility resting on all teachers. Her vision extended beyond the school room and took in all phases of community life and her ideals for teachers and pupils took in the communities to which these teachers and schools belonged. That the county generally recognized this fact is shown by the fact that for all general community projects Mrs. Smith could always be counted on to do more than her part and to encourage teachers and pupils to do their part in any program. She had to do with the development of the health of the community, the morals of the community, the improvement of the community generally. As evidence of this Mrs. Smith was a member of the County Commission on Infantile Paralysis, a member of the County School Saving Committee, a member of the County Red Cross Committee, as well as holding membership on other committees that had to do with the development of a program for better living for her people and all people. To many people Mrs. Smith was "Mary Smith" and as Mary Smith she was known and respected by those with whom she came in contact.

The Mary N. Smith High School, established in 1934, was most appropriately named by the Accomack County School Board in honor of Mrs. Smith and as a fitting thing of a recognition of the work she had done in getting a high school for the Negro boys and girls of Accomack county. It was most appropriate that a funeral service should be held in the auditorium of the high school and that the pupils now in high school should have a part in the funeral service. In every school in the county on Thursday morning a memorial service was held in memory of Mrs. Smith. Schools were closed after this service in further honor and in memory of a teacher and a supervisor who in given years of devoted service to the boys and girls now in school and to the many boys and girls who passed through the schools and are taking their part in the lives of the communities in which they live.



## Scholarship Awards By Year

### 1991

Denise Topping	\$500.00
Sharone Corbin	\$500.00
Louise Bailey	\$200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,200.00</b>

### 1992

Denise Topping	\$500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>

### 1993

Trina Mapp	\$650.00
Tanisha Bagwell	\$650.00
Denise Topping	\$650.00
Michelle Lilliston	\$650.00
Meosha Goffney	\$650.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,250.00</b>

### 1994

Denise Topping	\$650.00
Shante' Moore	\$350.00
Lisa Williams	\$200.00
Detra Chandler	\$250.00
Shonda Giddens	\$350.00
Leslie Fletcher	\$350.00
Latonya Strand	\$200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,350.00</b>

### 1995

Derek Savage	\$500.00
LaToya Press	\$300.00
Rodney Turner	\$200.00
Kanasha Hall	\$200.00
Paula Turner	\$200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,400.00</b>

### 1996

Laura Wessells	\$100.00
Colby West, Jr.	\$125.00
Misty Birch	\$100.00
LyKesha Tull	\$250.00
Kenya Baines	\$200.00

### 1996 (continued)

Jarvis Colona	\$225.00
Marvis Colona	\$225.00
Tyquisha Summerville	\$200.00
Veronica Corbin	\$125.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,550.00</b>

### 1997

Johnnie Jones	\$500.00
Jarvis Colonna	\$250.00
Marvis Colonna	\$250.00
Leslie Harmonson	\$250.00
Tayannea Ames	\$250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>

### 1998

Leslie Harmonson	\$600.00
Jarvis Colonna	\$350.00
Marvis Colonna	\$350.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,300.00</b>

### 1999 (Awards given early in 2000)

### 2000

Leslie Harmonson	\$300.00
Jarvis Colonna	\$300.00
Marvis Colonna	\$300.00
Obeni Offuniyen	\$300.00
C. J. Savage	\$150.00
Carlton West	\$150.00
Colby West, Jr.	\$150.00
Shawn Johnson	\$150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,800.00</b>

### 2001

Jarvis Colonna	\$150.00
Marvis Colonna	\$150.00
Leslie Harmonson	\$150.00
Carlton West	\$150.00
Colby West, Jr.	\$150.00
Shermaine Wright	\$150.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>

MENU FOR THE EVENING

**Roast Beef or Fried Chicken  
Baked Apples - Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Rolls  
Iced Tea/Coffee  
Dessert**

***Accomac Elks Lodge  
Accomac, VA***

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*We would like to salute and thank the*

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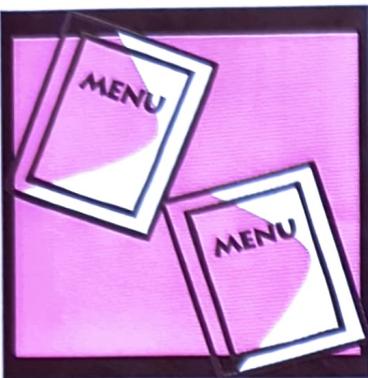
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COMPUTER SPECIALISTS:

BETTIE J. FLETCHER

THE MARY N. SMITH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

"THANKS AND GOD BLESS"



*Supporters*

*Friends*

*Guests*

*Everyone*

# *The Programme*

## *Peggy Corbin, Presiding*

<i>The Gathering Words/Greeting</i>	<i>Peggy Corbin</i>
<i>Grand March of Honorees</i> <i>"Soft Music"</i>	<i>Marcie White</i>
<i>Opening Selection</i>	<i>"Lift Every Voice and Sing"</i>
<i>Invocation/Blessing of Food</i>	<i>Rev. Clarence Pettit</i>
<i>Memorial Expressions</i> <i>Lighting of Candle</i>	<i>Betty Savage</i>

### **~ ENJOY DINNER ~**

(Chat and Chew)

<i>The Door Prizes</i>	<i>Committee Members</i>
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### **~ ENTERTAINMENT ~**

<i>Music</i>	<i>Purnell Clayton</i>
<i>Remembering Mrs. Mary Nottingham Smith</i>	<i>Delores Nottingham Lindsey</i>
<i>Praise Dance</i>	<i>"Angel of Praise" Praise Dancer</i> <i>Macedonia A.M.E. Church</i>
<i>Musical Selections</i>	<i>Purnell Clayton</i>
<i>Roll Call/ Honorees Felicitation</i>	<i>Marcie White</i>
<i>Door Prizes, etc.</i>	<i>Committee Members</i>
<i>Remarks</i>	<i>Marcie White, Chairperson</i> <i>Mary N. Smith Alumni Scholarship Committee</i>
<i>Closing</i>	<i>(Read Together)</i> <i>"The Alma Mater"</i>

# Class of 1961 Honorees

## BESSIE BUDD STRAND



- 1961 graduate of Mary N. Smith
- Attended VA State University, Petersburg, VA
- Employment: Acme Markets Regional Office, Baltimore, MD (1963-1965), C & P Telephone Co, Washington, DC (1965-1981)
- Retired in 1998 from AT & T in Washington, DC as a Manager and Instructor of Operations
- Married Preston L. Strand, Jr. of Accomac, VA in 1965
- Resides in Temple Hills MD

## DORIS ADDISON MUNGIN



- After graduating from Mary N. Smith High School in 1961, I moved to Philadelphia, PA, got married and have four wonderful children. I attended Temple University and received a teaching degree. I teach elementary students in the Philadelphia School District.

## GERALD SAVAGE



- 1961 graduate of Mary N. Smith High School
- College Professor of Accounting
- Vocal performer of gospel, pop and opera
- New Jersey resident

## JEAN COLLINS PIERCE



- Class of 1961
- Daughter of the late Ernest & Ellen Collins
- Married to James E. Pierce, Jr.
- We have two children, James E. 3rd and Jessica E.
- Reside in Fredericksburg, Virginia

## JOSEPHINE WHITE FOSQUE



- Class of 1961
- A widow, four children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild
- Reside in Parksley, VA
- Still enjoying the good life on the "Good Old Eastern Shore"

## BOBBY CROPPER



- Member of the graduating class of 1961. Received a BA degree from Norfolk State University; a MA degree from Hampton University; also attended the College of William and Mary and Old Dominion University for post graduate studies in Supervision and Administration; Teacher and Assistant Principal for 35 years in the Newport News Public School System, Newport News, VA.

## ERNEST JAMES, JR.



- Graduated in 1961 from Mary N. Smith High School and moved to Long Island, NY. Spent 4 years in the Air Force, 1962-1964. Joined the Suffolk County Police Department, NY in 1969. Retired as a detective after 22 years and 7 months, in January 1992. Moved back to Painter, VA in 1995. Married to Jackie Wise James for 42 years. We have two sons and two granddaughters. Now, I'm working at living for the last 20.

## GLADYS TAYLOR JOYNES



- Mary N. Smith class of 1961
- Matriculated from Eastern Shore Community College class of 1992
- AA degree in Office Management
- Medical assistant at Riverside Shore Rehabilitation Center, Parksley, VA
- Entrepreneur of G & W Sewing Co. in Onancock, VA
- The proud mother of two adopted daughters, Cassandra and Cheryl and four grandchildren
- Enjoys life to its fullest

## PAULINE C. BUNDICK



- Mary N. Smith Class of 1961
- Furthered her education at William Penn Business School in Philadelphia, PA
- Daughter of the late Charles and Frances Bundick
- Retired in 2005, after being employed by Accomack County Public Schools for 41 years as a Secretary/receptionist
- Lifetime member of the National Education Association
- Member of Macedonia A.M.E. Church: President of Roberts & Wharton Club; A class leader; Missionary Society; Stewardess Board and Lay Organization
- Member of Mary N. Smith Alumni Association, Inc.
- Member and past Matron of Golden Scepter Chapter #15, OES and other Houses

# Class of 1961 Honorees

## MARY TOPPING JOYNES



- 1961 graduate of Mary N. Smith
- Resides in Philadelphia, PA
- Married to George Joynes for 49 years
- Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother
- Retired from IKEA as a Payroll Specialist in 2008
- Member of St. Peter's Church of God
- Serves as an Usher, Trustee and Pastor's Aide

## LESTER L. WILLIAMS



- Mary N. Smith class of 1961
- Virginia Union University, Richmond, VA, BA
- Salisbury University, Salisbury, MD, M.Ed
- Married to Gladys, two daughters and two grandsons
- Lifetime member of KAY
- Employed by Accomack County Schools for 31 years
- Moved to Sandston, VA in 2002
- Member of Second Liberty Baptist Church
- Volunteer with the Men-in-Christ ministry

## SHIRLEY A. SPEARS



- Mary N. Smith class of 1961
- Graduated from Norfolk State College
- Married to Clarence Spears in 1964
- Have two sons, Clarence Jr., and Charod, and one grandchild, Jazmin
- Happily retired from the Department of Treasury since 2004
- Living in Oxon Hill, MD
- Enjoying life with Family and Friends

## SARAH WATSON WILLIAMS



- Mary N. Smith class of 1961
- Married to James L. Williams Jr., and reside in Virginia Beach, VA
- Blessed with three children, Janel, James III and Sharifa, and five grandchildren, Bryan, Angela, Julius, William and Alake'
- BS and Masters Degree from Norfolk State Univ.
- Employed 17 years as Certified Medical Technologist
- Made career change and became Science Teacher and Guidance Counselor for 21 years in Portsmouth, Virginia Public Schools
- Currently retired and serving in a series of church and community organizations

## EMMERELL DEANS WILLIAMS



- She has been married to Maurice A. Williams, Jr. for 44 years. They are proud parents of two daughters, Winnie and Katrina, and one son, Maurice II. They have three grandsons, Dorian, Chaston and Kyle.
- Emma retired from the State of Virginia after 31 years of service.
- In her spare time, Emma enjoys cooking, gardening, socializing with friends, walking and pursuing her latest hobby, physical fitness.
- She is very active in church and community activities and was a 2012 special honoree of the Tidewater Baptist Women's Missionary.



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**AUDREY CHRISTOPHER McIVER**

**LORETTA DRUMMOND HARMON**

**ORVILLE HARMON**

## PURNELL ALLEN



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- Mary N. Smith class of 1961
- Attended Golden Beacon College, two years
- Associate Degree in Business
- Served in US Air Force 4 years
- Married, has one daughter
- Retired from VA Medical Center in Wilmington, DE

## RUSSELL GASKINS



- Russell graduated from Mary N. Smith in June, 1961
- He earned an Associate Degree in Management and a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration from Hawaii Pacific University, Hawaii and a MBA from Chapman University, CA
- He retired from the US Air Force after 26 years and worked 20 years in the Aerospace industry with Lockheed Martin.
- Presently retired and residing in Jamison, PA
- Russell is married with three sons
- He enjoys golfing, reading and is very active in the church and community

# Class of 1961 Honorees

## NELLIE HARMON SAMPLE



- Nellie Pearl was the first born of seven children to Clarence & Elizabeth Harmon
- She graduated from Mary N. Smith High School in 1961 and Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital School of Practical Nursing in 1974
- She was married to the late Jerry D. Sample, out of that reunion they had three children: Eric, Garry and Sheri. Sheri is a Real Estate Broker and Garry is a Federal Government employee. Eric predeceased her.
- She is a retired LPN and resides in Virginia Beach, VA
- She is a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church and serves as a missionary, the Bereavement minister and sings on the choir. Her Pastor is Bishop William Darryl Scott.

# Class of 1962 Honorees

## MONTRUE FLOYD ANDERSON



- Mary N. Smith High School, Class of 1962
- Worked in Connecticut as a certified Nurse's Assistant for 43 years
- Retired in September, 2009
- Moved back home to the Eastern Shore

## SHIRLEY MASON RICE



- Residing in Upper Marlboro, MD
- Retired as a Paralegal Specialist after 42 years of Federal Gov't service
- Days spent working out, volunteering, traveling, reading, serving on Board of Director for Homeowners' Association
- A Trustee at church, and enjoying my son, daughter, her husband and their children

## SARA RUE BRIGHT



- 1962 graduate of Mary N. Smith High School
- Married to Richard Bright
- Attended Delaware State College and Bowie State College
- Sole Proprietor of Sara's Christian Home Assisted Living

• Currently residing in Baltimore, MD

## RONNIE WHITE



- Mary N. Smith class of 1962
- Married to Margaret White for 50 years
- We have two sons, Ronnie, Jr. and Paris White (both married), and three grandchildren

## SANDRA WHARTON WILLIAMS



- A retired Elementary Teacher
- 2000 "Teacher of the Year", Metompkin Elementary School
- Successfully completed the Home Based Animal Care Service Program and operates a pet sitting care in her home

- Part owner of Williams & Wharton Funeral Home and works as a lady attendant
- Husband, Jimmy (Funeral Director & Embalmer)
- Daughter, Fern (Graphic Designer)



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Class of 1962

- WILLIAM BAINES
- GENEVA CANNON
- MARSHALL CROPPER
- JAMES MILLS
- CLARENCE PETTIT
- WILLIE RANDALL



# Class of 1962 Honorees

## EVELYN WYNN HOPE



- Resides in Parksley, VA
- Spouse - Dorsey Hope, almost 49 years of matrimony
- Children - Lynette Hope-Smith, Terrell, Queron & Trevor Hope; 7 grandchildren - Dionthe, Tereek, Dimerah, Shanceice, Nyerah, Taylor & Queron, Jr.; 2 great-grandchildren, Jaiden & Summer Hope
- Formal Education - Temple University, VA State University, University of VA-Charlottesville, University of PA; BA Social Administration, Associate Degrees in Mental Health and Social Services; Domestic Violence & Child Abuse/Neglect Counseling, Substance Abuse and Grief counseling
- Worked in the public school system in Phila., PA, Physicians' Assist., Domestic Violence Director, Crisis Intervention Specialist, National Domestic Violence Trainer & Hotline Coordinator
- Traveled extensively for business & pleasure throughout the U.S. and abroad
- I have reaped the benefits of several M. N. Smith High School educators and mentors

## DORIS ALLEN BAINES



- Mary N. Smith class of 1962
- Married, two daughters, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren
- Retired from Accomack County Public School System in 2006
- Member of Macedonia A.M.E. Church in Accomac, VA

## JEANETTE J. BRAGG



- Born in Accomac, VA to the late Char & Gracie Giddins
- Mary N. Smith class of 1962
- I have lived in NY for 50 years
- Married to Spencer Bragg for 48 years
- We have two children and one grandchild
- I am proud to be an Alumnus of Mary Smith High School

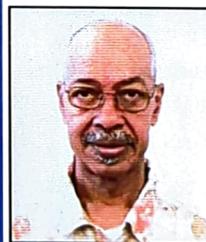
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## ALICE MAE CONQUEST



- Education: Mary N. Smith class of 1963; Norfolk State College; Eastern Shore Community College
- Single, two daughters and two grandchildren
- Employment: Accomack County Nursing Home - Administration; Riverside Shore Health Services (formerly ACNH)
- Retired in 2010 - Business Office Assistant, 33 years
- Currently a Substitute Teacher - Accomack Co. Schools
- Member of Friendship United Methodist Church
- Travel to Chicago and Delaware to spend time with grandchildren

## FLETCHER WHARTON



- Mary N. Smith class of 1963
- Served in the U.S. Army
- Retired in 2005 from the U.S. Postal Services in Brooklyn, New York after 35 years of Service
- Widower and father of two children
- Enjoys bicycling, traveling and music

## STANLEY L. WATSON



- Graduated from Mary N. Smith High School in 1963
- Moved to New Jersey
- Two years in the U. S. Army
- Retired Steelworker after 28 years
- Married to Sylvia Watson for 31 years
- We have three children and seven grandchildren
- We are both born-again Christians for thirty-seven years

## DAISEY DAVIS FLETCHER



- 1963 Graduate of Mary N. Smith High School
- Worked at North Jersey Training School for 17 years
- Graduated from Zion Bible College in 1987
- Asst. Pastor at Pentecostal Lighthouse Church for 10 yrs.
- Presently working at Englewood Hospital & Medical Center



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**LAVENIA AUSTIN FLETCHER**

**FRED SHRIEVES**

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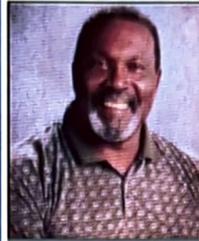
## J. CLAUDETTE NEDAB



- Mary N. Smith class of 1963
- Parents: James and Margaret Nedab
- BS: University of Maryland
- MS: Bowie University
- Educator-Science Department Chairperson
- Anne Arundel County Public Schools, Annapolis, MD

- Who's Who Among Americas' Teachers
- Foreign Missionary to: Africa, Haiti, St. Kitts and Nevis
- Son: Pastor Edward L. Olds, Jr. who was employed by the Former President William Clinton

## OLIVER WENDEL CHANDLER



- Mary N. Smith class of 1963
- Native of Onancock, VA
- Employed: 15 years at Watson Furniture Store; 2 years at White Brothers; 10 years as a Barber at Hoover Kinsey; 27 years with

C & P Telephone Co-Bell Atlantic/Verizon

- Father of two daughters and eight grandchildren
- Married to Helen Brown Chandler
- Member of Bethel A.M.E. Church in Onancock, VA

## HELEN B. CHANDLER



- Mary N. Smith class of 1963
- Licensed Cosmetologist over 32 years
- One daughter, Pandora Brown and one granddaughter, Tycora Brown
- Married to Oliver W. Chandler

of Onancock, VA

## FAYE CUTLER SHELTON



- 1963 graduate of Mary N. Smith High School
- An educator, in Upper Darby School District, Upper Darby, PA with 23 years of service.
- After returning back home,

employed by the Eastern Shore Community Services Board, retired in 2010

- Currently enjoying retirement with family and friends

## OLETHA DOWNING BLOXOM



- 1963 graduate of Mary N. Smith High School
- One daughter, Marrietta and one granddaughter Keisha
- Active Member of First Baptist Church, Mappsville, VA

## ELAINE ELIZABETH HARRIS



- Class of 1963
- Two daughters, one son, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild, one son deceased
- Active member of Gaskins Chapel A.M.E. Church, Rev. Oretha Cross is the Pastor

## PATRICIA JEFFERSON RUBEN



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- Graduated from Delaware State University in Dover, DE in 1967 with a major in Business Technology (Business Education). Attended Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ with a major in Information Technology (Library Science). I was one of 1600 Teachers honored by the governor of New Jersey at Princeton University in Princeton, NJ for being an outstanding teacher in the State of New Jersey in 1993. I am a retired New Jersey teacher and reference librarian. I have one daughter, Laurie, who is a guidance counselor in Gloucester Township Public Schools in Sicklerville, NJ. I am a member of Bethany Baptist Church in Lindenwold, NJ and I live in Mount Laurel, NJ.

## BETTY A. HOLDEN



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- 1963 graduate of Mary N. Smith
- BA in Sociology - 1975
- MA in Special Education, Long Island University
- Teacher, CNA
- Mother of one son
- Presently attending St. John United Methodist Church
- Currently reside on the Eastern Shore

# Class of 1964 Honorees

## WILLA M. NORTHAN NEEDAM



- Mary N. Smith class of 1964
- Mother of three children, ten grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren
- Member of Christian Memorial Missionary Church and the following ministries: Daily Bread, Phone Ministry, Food Pantry, Outdoor Outreach, Sanctuary Choir Vice President,

Sunday School Teacher, Hospitality Committee and Daily Retirees' Luncheon

## MISSOURIA L. BAILEY-BYRD



- Mary N. Smith H. S., class of 1964
- Worked at Campbell Soup for 29½ years
- Security Guard
- Mental Health Advisory Bd.
- Salvation Army Advisory Bd.
- Switch Board Operator
- SQC & Lab
- Retired

## BETTY MARIE SAVAGE



- Graduated in the class of 1964
- Retired in 2002 as Supervisory Management Analyst, Dept. of Justice, Washington, DC with 34 years of service
- Relocated to the Eastern Shore and renewed membership with Macedonia A.M.E. Church, Accomac, serving on Senior Choir, Trustee Board and

Scholarship Committee,

- 35-70 Mary N. Smith Alumni Assoc., Inc. for 7 years; currently a member of Board of Directors, Scholarship and Fundraising Committees of Mary N. Smith Alumni, Assoc., Inc.

## SAUNDRA COOPER BOATWRIGHT



- DOB: November 18th
- Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Samuel H. Cooper, Sr.
- Siblings: Brenda Cooper Reid; Samuel H. Cooper, Jr.
- Spouse: Frank "Randy" Boatwright, Jr.
- Education: Mary N. Smith H. H., class of 1964

- Under graduate school: Virginia Union University, class of 1968, B.A.
- Graduate School: Virginia Union University, class of 1973, M.Ed
- Career history: Teacher, 1968-2006
- Hobbies: gardening, playing golf, traveling, and genealogical research

## MARY SNEAD MCINTOSH



- Mary N. Smith Class of 1964
- After graduation, relocated to New York City
- Employed by Verizon in NYC
- Retired in 1994, after 25 years of Service
- Currently residing in Salisbury, MD

## BERNICE DAVIS WHARTON



- 1964 graduate of Mary N. Smith
- Married to the late Dorsey Lee Wharton
- This union was blessed with two beautiful daughters, Stacey Pleshette and Stephanie Teresa
- Retired from Columbian Presbyterian Medical Center after forty-three

(43) years of service in Patient Financial Service Department

## DIANE BAGWELL RANDALL



- Married to Willie Randall, Sr.
- We have 5 children; Kea, Kiah, Crystal, Willie, Jr. and M'Shenda, 13 grandchildren
- Instructional Assistant for Accomack Co. Schools for 43 years
- Retired May 24, 2012 "Thank You Jesus"
- Member of Macedonia A.M.E. Church, Accomac, VA
- Serves as a stewardess, member of the Missionary Society, class leader, Lay organization and Sunday School

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## MARSHA SAVAGE SIMPKINS



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Marsha Savage Simpkins is the proud mother of 4 children, and grandmother of 8. She received her Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Norfolk State University, further her education gaining a Master's degree in Urban Affairs with a focus on Family Life. Through the years, Marsha worked as a counselor for: the City of Virginia Beach, the Virginia State Department, and the Ph Treatment Center. Today, Marsha is living her dream. She is currently the owner and Chief Administrative Officer of two residential group homes serving five individuals. Marsha's overall goal is to assist the individuals she serves with becoming as independent as possible to increase their overall quality of life. She is carrying out this task every through Peaceful Surroundings LLC.



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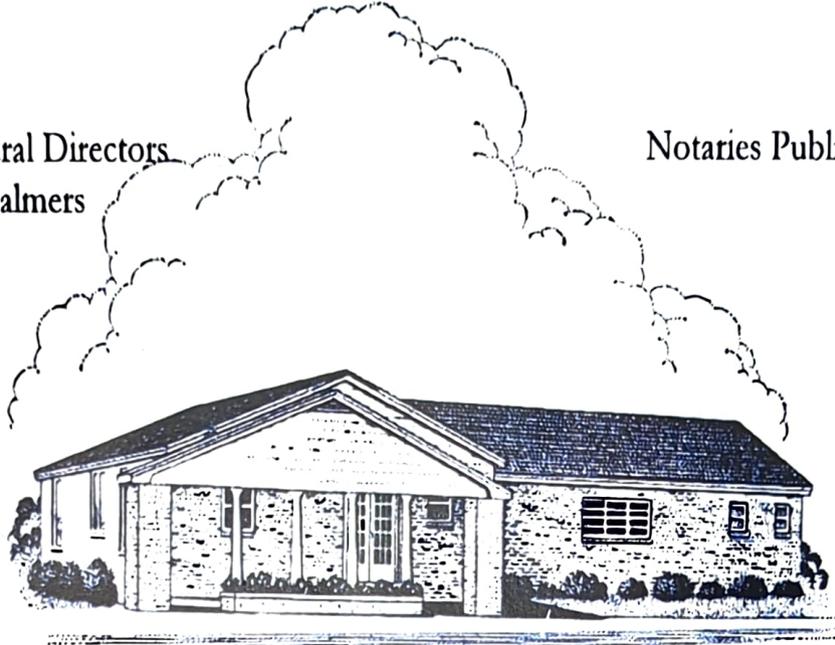
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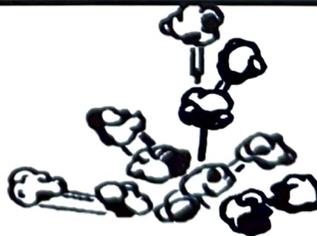
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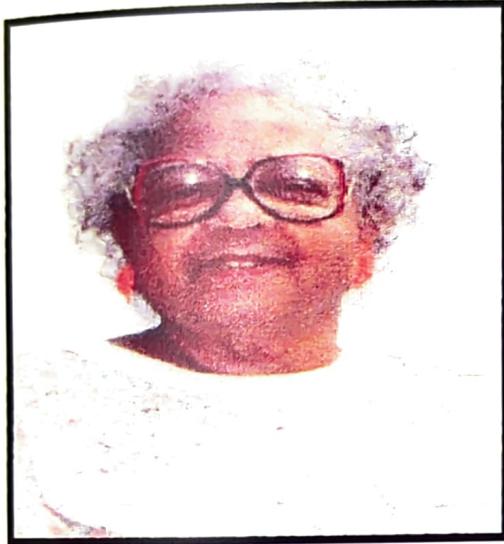
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I thought of you with love today.  
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I thought about you yesterday.  
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I often speak your name.  
Now all I have is memories.  
And your pictures in a frame.  
Your memory is my keepsake.  
With which I'll never part.  
God has you in his keeping.  
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Charles W. Bundick	10-06-1965
Frances R. Bundick	04-10-2012
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Margaret C. Cooper	07-25-1994
Samuel H. Cooper, Sr.	03-21-2002
Thomas S. Harmon	12-03-2009
Mary V. Justice	08-26-2002
Reginald L. Justice, Sr.	07-03-2008
Lillie C. Roberts	07-26-2011
Bernice Rue	01/1978
Joseph Simpkins	05-24-2009
Della M. Wharton	04-25-2010
Dorsey L. Wharton	09-10-2006
Evelyn White	12/1994
Ralph White	08/1960
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SING A SONG FULL OF THE HOPE THAT THE PRESENT HAS BROUGHT US;  
FACING THE RISING SUN OF OUR NEW DAY BEGUN,  
LET US MARCH ON, TILL VICTORY IS WON.**

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**SMITH HIGH TO THEE, WE RAISE OUR VOICES STRONG,  
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TIS HERE WE LEARN TO FACE LIFE'S HOPES AND FEARS,  
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