



Stefphun Smith

June 29, 1965 - February 7, 2016

Master Sergeant Stefphun Charles Smith, born June 29, 1965 to Charles and Ella Mae Smith, entered his eternal rest on February 7, 2016. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Carlton Jackson, Doris Bushnell Jackson, Edgar Smith, and Ophelia Bailey Smith. Charles, as he was known by his family, leaves behind his loving wife Bianca, daughters La Meika, 28, and Elaina, 16; parents, Charles Smith of Waco, TX and Ella Mae Smith of Oberlin, LA; grandsons Saloman Noel Silochan and Nolan Haze Smith; God-parents, Lucy Brandon and Clarence Guillory; siblings Alexis Batson Stevens, Eldridge J. Smith, Lisa C. Smith, and Erica Daron Toussaint; God-children Ivy Smith, Batson Stevens III, Tristian Smith, and Ray Lavan, as well as numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Charles was the Security Forces Professional assigned to the 543d Support Squadron, National Security Agency/Central Security Service, San Antonio, Texas. In that position, Master Sergeant Smith managed security programs for the 23-acre, protection level-4 area containing over ten sensitive compartmented information facilities with over 2, 000 multi-service personnel assigned. He was additionally responsible for over \$150 million in the Air Force Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency unique facilities and systems.

Master Sergeant Smith was born in Kinder, Louisiana and attended Oberlin

High School from which he graduated in May 1983. He has been happily married to Mrs. Bianca Smith for 16 years and they are the proud parents of Lameika and Elaina.

In 1986, he entered the United States Air Force and was assigned the Lackland Air Force base, Texas, where he completed basic training and the Security Police Training Academy.

Upon completion of his training, he then proceeded to his first tour of duty at Eaker AFB in Blytheville, Arkansas. He belonged to the 97th Security Police Squadron where he was a Response Force Member and Priority 'A' Entry Controller and Base Installation Security System Operator. Additionally, MSgt Smith competed in two Strategic Air Command Combat Competitions, winning Best Combat Rifle Course in SAC and Best Security Police Team in 8th Air Force and 42nd Air Division.

In 1992 he was then assigned to the 7241st Air Base Group in Izmir Air Base, Turkey as PSC Floor Chief.

After completing a 15 month tour in Izmir, Master Sergeant Smith was sent to the 52nd Security Police Squadron at Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. While assigned there he was a Fire Team Leader, Security Controller and NCOIC of Security Forces Armories.

After his six-year and nine-month tour in Germany, Master Sergeant Smith returned to Lackland Air Force Base in December of 1999. Since then he has been assigned as the Chief of Information Security, Chief of Anti-terrorism/Force Protection, Chief of Physical Security and Superintendent Security Forces of the 543d Support Squadron, Nation Security Agency/Central Security Service, San Antonio, Texas.

The family will receive friends at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, February 18, 2016 for visitation followed by a rosary scheduled to begin at 12:00 p.m. noon at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North, located at 3401 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio, TX 78230. A liturgy of the word service will follow the rosary in the chapel, and services will conclude with interment at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the wounded warriors association. The family wishes to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy and kind words during this difficult time.