



# **Alma (Lynch) Brinston-Smith**

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### OBITUARY

Alma (Lynch) Brinston-Smith, age 77, of Waipahu, HI passed on June 5, 2021. Alma was born to the late Rev. Oliver and Mary (White) Lynch on July 17, 1943 in Memphis, Tennessee and was the youngest of her siblings. Her stepmother, Pearlie (Glover) Lynch, helped to raise her after her Mother passed in 1945.

She confessed her faith in Christ at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Gary, IN where Rev. Charles Prothro was Pastor. She joined the Choir at Pilgrim Rest and was also a member of her family youth gospel group, The Lynch Singers. The family group appeared in churches, radio shows, and won a recording contract as a winner from the Vivian Carter Talent Show in Gary, IN.

Alma was a 1961 graduate of Froebel High School, Gary, IN and became employed for Indiana University NW as a Secretary. She later met Samuel Hubbard and they had her only son, Devin, who was born on October 5, 1965. She continued her career working as a Law Secretary for various Attorneys in Gary, and also worked as a Secretary in the Administration of Mayor Richard Gordon Hatcher, Gary, IN. She later moved to Chicago where she continued to excel in her field of assisting Attorneys. Her marriage to Simon Brinston was short and after Devin graduated from high school, she decided to move to Honolulu, Hawaii where her oldest sister, Barbara, had moved a few years back. She met her husband, Herman R. Smith, and enjoyed 27 years with him before he succumbed to his illnesses in 2013. Alma resided in Hawaii for about 40 years and enjoyed every minute with her family and cat, Chase.



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She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman R. Smith, her parents, sisters, Barbara Protho and Ruthie Bentley, brother, Oliver Lynch, and nephew, Darrell Bentley. She leaves to cherish her memories, her only child, Devin (Linda) Brinston, Waipahu, HI, sister, Virgie (Lynch) Thornton, Merrillville, IN, Niece, Fawn (Thornton) McDaniel, Merrillville, IN, Nephews: Edward Thornton, Allen, TX, Mark Thornton, Gary, IN, Arthell Protho, Aniston, Al, Grands: Michael E. Williams, Maryland, Taylor D. Wisham, Chicago, IL., Raymond (Shenna) Martin, Robert and Ruston Martin, three great granddaughters, grand goddaughter, Tyli, and a host of other relatives and friends. Alma, you will be extremely missed.

Visitation will be at 5:30pm at The Mililani Mortuary Makai Chapel on Thursday, July 15, 2021 with Wake services at 6:00pm.

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**A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Alma (Lynch) Brinston-Smith** posted:

A Memorial Tree was planted for Alma (Lynch) Brinston-Smith We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Mililani Memorial Park & Mortuary Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

May 14 at 4:32 AM

SH

**Sheryl House** posted:

My Aunt Alma was a very special, loving, down to earth person, I can remember her being straight to the point, not taking no stuff, but yet a happy, funny person. I know that earth has no sorry that Heaven can't heal, To my Cousin and Family may God give you all strength to endure, and I'm sending my Love and respect to my Cousin Devin, and asking the lord to keep you, and give you peace that passeth all understanding, during this time. Love you so much Tina

July 15 at 7:42 AM



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