



## Iris Smith Armstrong

January 11, 1992 - July 6, 2016

Iris Denise Smith Armstrong met her heavenly reward, Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at her home in Fort Bragg, NC. One of five children born to Gerald and Crystal Smith, she always had a smile and kind word for all she met.

A proud graduate of the Richland Northeast High School Class of 2010, Iris was also a lifelong member of First Northeast Baptist Church. A Human Resources Specialist in the United States Army, she was assigned to 82nd Airborne Division in April 2013 and is the recipient of such awards and decorations as the Army Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

Iris is survived by her two sons: Jason Earl Armstrong, III, and Ivan Lorenzo Armstrong; her parents, Gerald and Crystal Smith of Columbia; four siblings: Emerald Smith, Julius Smith, Aron Smith, and Terrence Smith, all of Columbia; her paternal grandparents, Willie C. Smith, II, and Clarie Austin Smith of Columbia; two great-grandmothers, Beatrice Anthony Reeves and Bernice Seegars Harris Warren; and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

**Fort Jackson National Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JUL 17.** 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia  
1200 Fontaine Place  
Columbia, SC 29223  
(803) 786-6300  
palmermemorialchapel@gmail.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

### Family Visitation

**JUL 17.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## **Celebration of Life**

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JUL 18. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

First Northeast Baptist Church  
311 Sparkleberry Lane  
Columbia, SC 29229  
(803) 736-5055

## **Graveside service**

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JUL 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fort Jackson National Cemetery

# Tribute Wall



“ *Iris Smith Armstrong*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Gerald, so sorry to hear of your loss. I send my deepest sympathy to you and yours. (former DSD Receiver @ Food Lion /Harden)*

**MICHELL M.** - July 19, 2016 at 10:14 AM



“ *Thank you for your service. RIP Soldier!*



**Mcclerklin** - July 18, 2016 at 10:28 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and love from the CEO & members of W.E.R.I.S.E. Veterans. Rest in peace.*



**Mary Waters** - July 17, 2016 at 06:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Iris Smith Armstrong.*



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July 17, 2016 at 03:47 PM



“ *Sincerely SSG Moore, Okinawa Japan purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Iris Smith Armstrong.*



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**Sincerely SSG Moore, Okinawa Japan** - July 17, 2016 at 08:54 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Iris Smith Armstrong.*



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July 15, 2016 at 10:47 PM

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“ *The South Carolina Patriot Guard Riders send our sincere condolences to the family and friends of SGT Iris Smith Armstong. We honor her for her service to our country. We hope that our presence at her service to stand for her and show honor and respect provides some measure of support and comfort for the family and friends. God Bless you Sergeant and RIP.*



L.Z. Harrison, Jr. State Captain - July 15, 2016 at 02:16 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Iris Smith Armstrong.*



July 15, 2016 at 01:09 PM

JS

“ *Jewel Rianes( FortJackson) Sc lit a candle in memory of Iris Smith Armstrong*



Jewel Rianes( FortJackson) sc - July 14, 2016 at 01:21 PM

DJ

“ *Doris Jones lit a candle in memory of Iris Smith Armstrong*



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**Doris Jones** - July 14, 2016 at 12:06 PM



“ *You never know what a person go through each and everyday. To be young and have children and upon that doing what only 2% of the US population has the courage to do and that is being in the Armed Forces. I am tired of hurting and losing so many wonderful and strong women in my life. I am a strong individual but when someone who has an imprint in my heart is gone Jesus knows I'm breaking down. When I was told it was you Armstrong I can't and don't know how to deal with the boys losing such a beautiful love caring wonderful mother. This battle I'm dealing with now with all the memories and stories along with the laughs and cries will make me stronger. I promise to make sure that you will not be forgotten ever your name will be one forever remembered.*



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**Perrilla Winston** - July 13, 2016 at 06:18 PM