

## **National Postal Mail Handlers Union**

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## VIA FAX and EMAIL

Dear Local Presidents:

It is with regret and sorrow that the National Union announces the passing of Local 307 mail handler, Anthony Smith. Brother Smith is the first known mail handler death attributed to the COVID-19/coronavirus epidemic. Brother Smith worked in the Detroit NDC and was an employee of the United States Postal Service for thirty years. He was a proud mail handler.

Anthony was a veteran having served honorably in the Army for 12 years. He was married and loved kids; he helped raise fifteen children. Anthony loved music, a good barbeque and singing karaoke. He was a funny man that enjoyed telling jokes and spending time with family and friends. Anthony Smith will be deeply missed by family, friends and all that knew him.

The National Office has received the following information regarding Brother Smith's funeral services:

Funeral: Monday, April 6th, 2020

Viewing at 11AM with funeral to follow at noon

Funeral Home: Cantrell Funeral Home

22121 Kelly Rd

Eastpointe Mi 48021

The funeral home is limiting attendance in view of COVID-19. Please keep Brother Smith's family and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers.

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Michael J Hora

National Secretary-Treasurer

cc: Paul Hogrogian, National President National Executive Board

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