Clarence Smith, Jr., affectionately known as “Juicy” is a native of Norfolk, Virginia. He was given his nickname by his mother at an early age and even as an adult relishes hearing the name given to him with such affection. A 1963, graduate of Booker T. Washington High School in Norfolk, Virginia, Smith went on to attend Norfolk State. However, duty to his country called and he was drafted into the United States Army, serving in Vietnam for two years. A proudly decorated veteran, Smith is a recipient of the Purple Heart.

After 32 years, Smith retired from the U.S. Navy Department of Public Works where he was an electrician. He also served as financial secretary for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 734 for 15 years. Currently, Smith is a member of the Disabled Veterans of America, Chapter 21; the American Legion Post 5; and the Virginia Beach Alumni Chapter of the NSU Alumni Association, Inc., where he served as president and has been a member for more than 25 years.

Additionally, he is the sound technician and a faithful member of the Basilica of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception (St. Mary’s Church) in Norfolk, Virginia. He is also a member of the Men of Achievement and Culture (MOAC), a social club created by lifelong friends, to support their community, each other and NSU athletic games. Smith is an enthusiastic fan of NSU sports, and his family knows not to make any plans during the Spartan football and basketball seasons.

Smith, who is a wonderful father and the best grandfather, currently resides in Norfolk with his wife, Malka.