



Homegoing Service Celebrating the Life of
William Lee Robinson

Sunrise

May 30, 1933

Newark, New Jersey

Sunset

May 25, 2015

Rahway, New Jersey

Service

Friday, June 5, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

Heard A.M.E. Church

310 East Eighth Avenue

Roselle, New Jersey

Reverend Archie Cummings, Jr., Pastor

Life Reflections

William Lee Robinson was born on March 30, 1933 in Newark, New Jersey to the late Lee Willie Robinson and Ethel Fisher. William was educated in the Newark Public School system and graduated from Central High School in January 1951. Just four days after his high school graduation, he reported to the United States Army at the age of seventeen to serve his country during the Korean War. After serving three years, he was honorably discharged.

In 1954, William united in marriage to Lillian Cotton and was blessed with seven children. He was a devoted husband and father. The family resided in Newark, New Jersey before moving to Linden in 1968 where they happily resided for the last forty-seven years.

He worked many years as a Machinist for Gomar Manufacturing in Linden. After retiring from Gomar Manufacturing in 1996, he worked for Meals on Wheels delivering meals to the elderly and the needy. Previously, William worked many years as a Mechanic for American Can Company in Hillside, New Jersey.

Like his father, William was also a Handyman who enjoyed projects big and small. Even as his health was failing, he was anxious to do some projects around the house. He loved family gatherings and received the little known nickname “Thriller” from his sons due to his fun-loving nature. He was a long-time New York Giants and Knicks fan.

On Monday, May 25, 2015, William Lee Robinson departed this life at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in Rahway, New Jersey at the age of eight-two. As fate would have it, William passed on Memorial Day. As a member of VFW Post 1397, William often placed flags on the graves of deceased veterans on Memorial Day.

He was predeceased by his brother, Elmore Gaines.

William leaves to cherish fond memories: his wife of sixty-one years, Lillian Robinson; one daughter, Sharon Blair (Thomas) of Stone Mountain, Georgia; six sons, Reginald Robinson of Linden, New Jersey, Ronald Robinson of Syracuse, New York, Kenneth Robinson of Douglasville, Georgia, Darryl Robinson (LaToya) of Rahway, New Jersey, Alan Robinson of East Windsor, New Jersey and Michael Robinson of Columbus, Ohio; four grandchildren, Steven Blair, Kamesha Blair, Zauryn Robinson and Myles Robinson; one great-grandson, Jayden Calhoun; five sisters-in-law, Amelia Gaines, Versie Sanders, Mary Scott, Lula Gordon and Havanah Bailey (Melvin); six brothers-in-law, Timothy Cotton, Linear Cotton, Jesse Cotton, James Cotton (Hilda), William Cotton (Michelle) and Donald Cotton (Johnette); two special cousins, Ruth Cowart and Lorraine House; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

When God Saw You Getting Tired

*When God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
He put his arms around you
And whispered come to me
He didn't like what you went through
And he gave you rest
His garden must be beautiful
He only takes the best
And when we saw you sleeping
So peaceful and free from pain
We wouldn't wish you back
To suffer that again
Today we say goodbye
And as you take your final rest
That garden must be beautiful
Because you are one of the best
~ By Anon*

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude.....Frances Thompson

Processional

Hymn of Comfort.....“Hold To His Hand” #513

Prayer of Comfort

Scriptures

Old Testament: Psalm 27

New Testament: John 14:1-6

Solo.....Laurel Pryor

Words of Comfort

Family Tribute.....Ronald Robinson
Kenneth Robinson
Darryl Robinson

Acknowledgement of Condolences & Resolutions

Obituary

Solo Laurel Pryor

Eulogy.....Rev. Archie Cummings, Jr.

Recessional.....“Precious Memories”

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

*Immediately following the Interment, Family and Friends are invited to
The Fellowship Hall where a Repast will be served.*

Pallbearers

Family and Friends of **William Lee Robinson**

I Do Not Go Alone

If death should beckon me with outstretched hand
And whisper softly of "An Unknown Land"

I shall not be afraid to go, for though the path I do not know,
I take Death's Hand without a fear, for He who safely brought me here will
also take me safely back. And though in many things I lack,
He will not let me go alone into the "Valley That's Unknown"...
So I reach out and take Death's hand and journey to the "Promised Land."

-Author unknown

Acknowledgements

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