

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF**  
**THEODORE “BOBBY” ROBINSON**

**SUNRISE: October 10, 1942 - SUNSET: July 24, 2024**



**Thursday, August 8, 2024 - 10:30am**

**St. Joseph of the Holy Family**

**405 W. 125th Street • New York, NY 10027**

# OBITUARY

**Theodore “Bobby” Robinson** passed away on July 24th, 2024, here in New York City at the age of 81 years old. Bobby was born in the Bronx, New York to Annie Robinson from Stony Creek, Virginia. He was a lifelong resident of Harlem, New York, where he was a pillar of the community he so dearly loved.

Bobby spent most of his summers as a youth in his mother’s hometown of Stony Creek, Virginia with his grandparents, aunts, uncles and a countless number of cousins. He took pride in his family heritage and would often reminisce about the time on the farm, from going to the outhouse to drinking the best tasting water ever from the water well.

Bobby graduated from George Washington High School, and later married his beloved wife, Judith Hicks with whom he was married to for over 40 years. Bobby worked at Teachers College/ Columbia University in the shipping and receiving department until he retired.

Bobby has been predeceased by his wife Judith whom he loved dearly and leaves his memory to forever be held in the hearts of his surviving family. His son Edward, and wife Angela, along with his two grandchildren Melissa and Christopher, his daughter Tracy, along with his granddaughter Shaniqua, and her husband Antoine Barber and his great-grandchildren Miley, Grayson and Madison. His two sisters-in-law, Frances Bennett and his nephew and niece Lonnie and Roberta and Janice Hicks and his nephew Robert Hicks. Bobby is also survived by his cousins Susan and husband Nathan Mintah, Junie and wife Dorlene Branch, Selester Robinson, John and Robyn Rhodes and countless others down in Virginia.

Bobby also leaves behind his extended Harlem family. These men and women were the life line to his existence. With their help Bobby took pride in being an elder statesman. He embraced the role and stood with honor and dignity until his last day. Bobby fit into so many crowds, he treated everyone the same no matter who they were or where they were from and that’s a legacy he will leave for others to follow.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## **Introductory Rites**

- Greeting
- Sprinkling with Holy Water
- Placing of the Pall
- Placing of Christian symbols
- Opening Song
- Opening Prayer

## **Liturgy of the Word**

- First Reading
- Psalm
- Second Reading
- Gospel
- Homily
- Intercessions

## **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

- Presentation Song
- Preparation of the Gifts
- Continuation of the Mass as usual
- Communion Song
- Obituary

## **Final Commendation**

- Invitation to Prayer
- Silence
- Song of Farewell
- Prayer of Commendation
- Recessional Song
- Procession to the Place of Committal

**INTERMENT**

Rosehill Cemetery  
Linden, New Jersey

# I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took his hand when I heard his call,  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I've found that peace at the close of the day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My Life's been full, I savoured much,  
Good friends, good times,  
a loved one's touch,  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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