



## Bobie Jean Taylor

October 16, 1946 - March 6, 2021

Mr. Bobie Jean Taylor, proud Marine Veteran, of Richmond, Virginia peacefully entered into eternal rest on March 6, 2021.

Bobie was preceded in death by his parents Hillard Taylor and Mary Wilson, his paternal grand parents Horace Taylor and Annie Queen Jackson, maternal grandparents Dennis Miles and Mary Mitchell, 3 brothers Louis Taylor and John and Tom Taylor.

Bobie was born in Climax, Decatur County, Georgia. He was raised by his parents, along with his paternal grandparents. He learned to tend to the land and developed his knack for gardening and landscaping while working hard with his paternal grandparents on the family's farm. He also attended the local churches, elementary, and junior high school in Attapulgus, Decatur County area of Georgia.

In the spring of 1960, the family relocated to Youngstown, Ohio. Bobie attended The Rayen High School where he later graduated in June 1964 at the age of 17. In that same year, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He served 4 years Active Duty and 2 years as reservist. He was drafted to the Vietnam War. While serving his country, he was wounded and received the Purple Heart Medal. Upon returning home to the States in the summer of 1966, he was stationed in Camp Lejune in North Carolina. While stationed in Camp Lejune, he was able to attend NCO leadership school. It wasn't long before he set sail on a United States Aircraft Carrier for a 15 month deployment on a Mediterranean Cruise Tour. Throughout his Military career Bobie received several medals, which includes Good Conduct, National Defense, Vietnamese Service, Vietnamese Campaign, and Purple Heart. His Active Duty Military Career ended when he was Honorably discharged. Our dad was very proud to be a Marine and you would often hear him make the statement proudly, "I am a Marine"!

Bobie went on to new career opportunities, within the work force. He worked at United States Postal Service and the Defense General Supply Center (Bellwood) where he later retired as a Material Examiner and Identifier.

Bobie was affectionately known as Dad, Daddy, Poppa, Pops, Grandpa Bobie by his children and grandchildren. By his friends, he would be called Bob, Wet or Wetlook (he loved his wet look shirts).

Daddy loved fashion and looking oh so ever sharp in any attire he wore. He made sure that his attire stayed sharp and fresh, by taking his clothes to the cleaners; every crease had its place. I am pretty sure that we will need to take a trip to the cleaners to obtain a couple of his suits that are still there. Don't get us started on his shoes. Dad also loved old westerns and cowboy movies. He loved to dance, grilling, and having cookouts. He also loooove to fish! And boy did he have a love for Cadillacs, apple red with a white top to be more specific.

Bobie is survived by Sharon Taylor the mother of his daughter Ebone' Taylor; daughters, Sonya Thompkins (Ronald), TaNeishia Conway (Marcus); 2 sons, Derrick Ross and Bobie Taylor, Jr.; 12 grandchildren Alehia Beaulieu (Terrance), Nytajah Taylor, Bri'Elle Taylor, Taylor C. Anderson, Derrick Ross Howard, Steven Daniel Jr., Ronald Thompkins Jr., Eric Thompkins (Christina), Robert Thompkins, Justice Taylor 20 great-grandchildren; one sister, Joyce Jones; one aunt, Bertha Evans; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins; devoted friends Kim Harris and Tyrus Edwards for all his special encouragement.

# Cemetery

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## Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA,

# Events

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**MAR 26** **Walk through Visitation** 11:00AM - 04:00PM  
March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave., Richmond, VA, US, 23222

**MAR 27** **Homegoing Celebration with live streaming** 01:30PM  
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# Comments

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“ To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Bobie Jean Taylor, Please Click the Link below.



**March Funeral Homes** - March 24 at 01:30 PM

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“ I did not know your father, but wanted to express my condolences. I read his obituary because it is a wonderful way to connect with people I likely would not have met otherwise. Reading the small snippets of lives, I am often amazed at how rich and wonderful human nature is. Your father was obviously a very special person who now rests in a very special place. I visited Arlington National Cemetery for the first time as an adult while in Washington protesting the Iraq war, wanting to honor the fallen soldiers who had served our country even while striving to stop conflict so no more would fall. I cannot describe the impact of viewing endless white stones stretching as far as the eye could see in such a beautiful and peaceful place. Many blessings and sympathy for your loss.

**Slavin Rose** - July 14 at 10:57 AM

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“ Benita Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Bobie Jean Taylor



**Benita Gibbs** - March 31 at 07:13 PM

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“ Sharon Taylor lit a candle in memory of Bobie Jean Taylor



Sharon Taylor - March 31 at 11:48 AM

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“ "Semper Fi" Marine. To the family and loved ones of Bobie, Please accept my sincere condolences. Praying that God will comfort you all during this difficult time. fly high old friend. Thanks for the memories and fun times. RIP.



Rosa Johnson - March 26 at 07:53 PM

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“ Taylor Family,

You have my sincere condolences. I haven't seen Bobie in years. In his younger years I was blessed to babysit his little girl Sonya Lynn. He was a loving father. Too all of his family members from past to present, I will continue to pray for you all.

Sincerely,

Kathryn B .Tolliver

Kathryn B Tolliver - March 23 at 01:08 PM

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“ Stephanie Scott lit a candle in memory of Bobie Jean Taylor



**Stephanie Scott** - March 17 at 04:08 PM



“ Ebone and family my deepest condolences for your loss

**Stephanie Scott** - March 17 at 04:10 PM

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“ James Dabney lit a candle in memory of Bobie Jean Taylor



**James Dabney** - March 16 at 01:11 PM

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“ Ebone and family  
You are in my thoughts and prayers. May you find comfort and peace during this time.

**Dyvawn Stone** - March 12 at 10:23 PM

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“ Ebone and Family, I'm praying for you in this time of your loss. God will take care of you, he always right on time. I know you'll be alright, just know I'm here for you. Love Aunt Joie

**Joie Howell** - March 11 at 04:08 PM

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“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

**March Funeral Homes** - March 11 at 02:22 PM