



Robert Anthony

December 25, 1944 - February 24, 2021

Christmas Day 1944 was especially joyous for the Anthony household of Sumter, S.C. On that day, Robert was born to James and Annie Bell Anthony, the seventh of 10 children. He passed suddenly on February 24, 2021 and went from labor to reward.

The Early Years

Growing up in Sumter, Robert was described by his older brother, James (Buster), as a quiet boy, who was – even then – showing signs of a strong work ethic. He attended Ebenezer High School in Sumter and after finishing the 11th grade, moved to Baltimore, Md., in 1961, joining James who had relocated to the Charm City two years earlier. The work ethic Robert exhibited in Sumter quickly took hold in Baltimore, as he began working in construction. It wasn't long before he met the love of his life, Addie Boykin, who he would marry on Nov. 21, 1965. In March of 1966, they welcomed their beloved daughter, Rhonda.

Service to the Lord

In 1970, the Anthony's joined New Elizabeth Baptist Church, where they worshiped for twenty years. They joined New Rehoboth Baptist Church, under the leadership of Pastor Zollie Wright in 1990. It was there, Robert worked in the Men's Ministry and sang on the Male Chorus. A lover of God's Word, some of Robert's favorite scriptures were Psalm 23 and Psalm 100. One of his favorite songs was "Show Me The Way," which he sang with passion and conviction. Robert's passion for singing, led him to be one of the founding members of the Maryland All-Stars, a singing group made up of family members. He also sang with the Male Chorus of New Rehoboth and the Gospel Revelators.

The Beloved Family Man

Addie described her husband as a man, who intensely loved his family and demonstrated quiet wisdom and provided thoughtful responses. "He was always very serious about doing a good job at everything he tried." Addie recalls one of his favorite sayings, was: "We just need to trust God." Robert, who loved eating good food and loved to cook, was the strongest, motivating factor behind the annual, summer family reunions. Robert moved

on from construction work, and began working for the Federal Government in 1966 . He retired in 2006, with 40 years of service.

A Cherished Legacy

Robert leaves to mourn his beloved wife: Addie, a devoted daughter, Rhonda Langston (Garcia), two brothers, James Anthony, Jr. (Eunice), Rev. Nathaniel Anthony (Lena) and a sister, Shirley Haynesworth. Also, he leaves sisters-in-law, Lillie Mae (James) Robinson and Sallie (Raymond) Barnes, Christine Frierson, along with a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Three close and dear friends Miller Carroll Sr, Bishop Bobby Newman and James White Sr. He had two God daughters, Cynthia Leslie and Gwendolyn White, and those who called him "Pop" or "Dad." Robert was preceded in death by three brothers: Lucious Frierson, Willie Frierson and Leroy Frierson and three sisters: Ella Mae Lewis, Berniece Jackson and Dorothy Mae Johnson.

Cemetery

Arbutus Memorial Park Cemetery

1101 Sulphur Spring Road
Baltimore, MD, 21227

Events

MAR **Viewing** 03:00PM - 05:00PM

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March Funeral Home - West
4300 Wabash Avenue, Baltimore, MD, US,
21215

MAR **Wake** 10:00AM - 10:30AM

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New Rehoboth Church
6318 Windsor Mill Rd., Woodlawn, MD, US

MAR **Service** 10:30AM

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Comments



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Anthony.



March 04 at 12:07 PM



“ Nicole Moore lit a candle in memory of Robert Anthony



Nicole Moore - March 03 at 07:56 PM



“ Our prayers, sympathy and condolences goes out to the wife and family of Brother Robert Anthony. May God Comfort you and give you peace during your time of bereavement.

Community Church of Christ
Deacon Daniel Moore
Sister Nicole Moore

Nicole Moore - March 03 at 09:46 PM



“ Bishop Luther C. Moore

To the wife and family of Brother Robert Anthony, we was saddened to hear of his transition. Our prayers & condolences goes out to you and the family. The time it takes to heal from a great loss is different for each of us. God knows our hearts and always walks with us at the perfect pace of His comforting grace. May God's hope-filled promises bring comfort to your soul and peace to your heart. With Heartfelt Sympathy,

Community Church of Christ Family
Lady Mary Moore
Bishop Luther C. Moore, Pastor

Bishop Luther C. Moore - March 03 at 03:23 PM



“ Chuck, Jacki & Chelsea Birmingham purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Robert Anthony.



Chuck, Jacki & Chelsea Birmingham - March 03 at 11:34 AM



“ Hey Mr.Anthony! Hey Debbie! That's how we would greet each other on Price Ave. It was a blessing having you as our neighbor for so many years. I can say God called home one of the good guys, RIP Mr. Anthony (neighbor) you will truly be missed. To Mrs. Anthony, Ronda, and family, May the peace of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ be with you.
With Love . Deborah, Ms.Thelma Mr.Earl and family.

Deborah Barnett Campbell - March 01 at 05:43 AM



“ Mr. Robert, God truly blessed the world with your presence, you where a man of dignity, respect, excellent character and filled with the Spirit of God. May you rest in Peace and Power. Rev. Ronald G. Tapp

Ronald Tapp - February 28 at 03:39 PM



“ 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 - February 27 at 01:51 PM