



Rev. Bobby Holmes

January 16, 1944 - January 6, 2021

Bobby Eugene Holmes was born in Richmond, Virginia. He was preceded in death by his parents Antonio and Ruby Holmes, his son George Holmes along with seven siblings, Antonio, Calvin, Arthur Lee, Harold, Linwood and Dorothy Fry. Bobby attended Richmond Public Schools and graduated from Armstrong High School.

He served in the United States Army for two years where he quickly attained the rank of Sergeant. In addition, he served thirteen months in Korea, finishing his last six months at Fort Bragg, North Carolina with the 18th Airborne Corps. He was employed at DuPont for 34 years where he served in many capacities to include Maintenance, Machine Operator and Manager. In addition, he was an avid spokesperson on committees related to Safety issues.

Rev. Holmes accepted Christ at an early age at Moore Street Missionary Baptist Church. In 1982 he united with the Greater Mt. Moriah Baptist Church where he served as an usher, choir member, trustee, and superintendent of Sunday School. Also while at Greater Mt. Moriah he was ordained into the Deacons Ministry. Rev. Holmes felt the call to the Gospel Ministry early in his Christian walk. Answering the call in 1993, he was licensed at Greater Mt. Moriah Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Kenneth Dennis and ordained in 1997. In 1997, Rev. Holmes united with the First Bethel Baptist Church, where Rev. Rico Patterson was Pastor. He served as Outreach

Minister and Noon Day Bible Study Teacher for seniors. According to Rev. Holmes, the friendships he acquired and nurtured at First Bethel will never be forgotten. As a minister, he was committed to a lifetime of study. Rev. Holmes furthered his education at John Tyler Community College and at the Richmond· Virginia Seminary. In August 2006, Rev. Holmes was installed as Pastor of the Fairfield Baptist Church. Under his viable leadership and with God's anointing, every area of ministry at Fairfield flourished. He received his Doctor of Divinity from the Virginia Triumphant College & Seminary on October 7, 2010. In August 2016, Rev. Holmes retired and became Pastor Emeritus after which, he stayed on and continued to preach, teach, sing and support the church anyway he could.

Rev. Holmes was affiliated with the National Christian Education Convention, the N.A.A.C.P., The Wynfield Civic Association and many other Civic Organizations. He loved watching his Washington football team (win or lose), playing golf, reading, singing, dancing, starting the Soul Train at every family function, watching his grandsons play football and basketball, granddaughters dancing and being proud of all their academic accomplishments. He also became a published author of a children's book with his daughter titled "Mr. Bob and Squirrel Nut."

Rev. Holmes leaves to cherish his memory the love of this life for 53 years Carolyn, two daughters, Delcenia Holmes-Woolridge (Calvin) and Yolanda Holmes; five grandchildren, DeShawn Holmes (Annika); Alexis Holmes, Calvin Porter Jr., LaWanda Trimiew and Shayquarna Peebles; three great-granddaughters, Devin Peebles, Iyana Trimiew and Justice Holmes; remaining siblings, Sophia Gilchrist, Evelyn Pleasants (Raymond), Marvin Holmes and Jerome Holmes; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Previous Events

Walk through Visitation

JAN 11. 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life

JAN 12. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Rev. Bobby Holmes, Please Click the Link below.



March Funeral Homes - January 11, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ Rev. Bobby Holmes

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ Sincere condolences to Carolyn and the Holmes family. You and Bobby were such good neighbors to my mom. Bobby was a wonderful person and he will be missed. May God wrap his arms around all of you at this time. Cherish the memories.
Virginia Nelson

Virginia Nelson - January 12, 2021 at 01:32 PM



“ Montique Williams And 🧑🏿🧑🏿 lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bobby Holmes



Montique Williams and 🧑🏿🧑🏿 - January 12, 2021 at 01:11 PM

M?

“ Am sorry that I can't attend my Uncle Bobby funeral today because I have to carry my grandson to his appointment today. Our love goes out to the Family and We will never forget my Uncle. My Uncle Bobby is a man of God and his door was always open if you needed to talk to him. Right now at this moment, He is sitting at the right hand of God and enjoying the fruit's. I love you Uncle and you will never be forgotten!!!! Wen you get settle in, Can you tell Grandma, Tony, Marquis and the rest of the Family we said hi.....Love you Uncle.....

Montique Williams and  - January 12, 2021 at 01:10 PM

SC

“ Stanley And Janice Claiborne-Foster lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bobby Holmes



Stanley and Janice Claiborne-Foster - January 12, 2021 at 12:55 PM

SB

“ My Condolences to the Holmes Family. Pastor Holmes was an inspiration and good god fearing man. When we returned to the Fairfield Baptist Church he welcomed us with open arms. I will miss his sense of humor and our side conversations.

Steven Booker - January 12, 2021 at 12:47 PM



“ To the Family of The Family of the late Rev. Bobby Holmes, we The Williams Family wish to express our profound condolences & deepest sympathies to you in the passing of your love one. Praying God's hands of comfort, healing, peace, love & strength will sustain you during this your time of bereavement. Earth has no sorrow heaven cannot heal. May God continue to bless each of you & the many many Family & Friends connected. Yours in Christ, Deacon Sheila Williams



Sheila Williams - January 12, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ Blessings to Carolyn and My Family
I cannot be with you today but please know that all of you are in my prayers. Uncle Bobby was the patriarch of the Holmes family. He kept all of the families connected. He supported us in good and bad times. He visited his sister Sophia and us regularly. I will miss him. He is with our savior Jesus Christ who is saying to him "Job well done Bobby".

*My condolences
Niece Yvonne Gilchrist*

Yvonne Gilchrist - January 12, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ Our condolences to the family during this difficult time, know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers.

The Kenny Family

Regina Kenny - January 12, 2021 at 10:41 AM

KJ

“ *To the Holmes family, I like to say how honored to have known and worked with Bobby. Bobby worked for me for many years. I am so sorry for your loss. “*

Kip Jordan

Kip Jordan - January 12, 2021 at 07:26 AM

BK

“ *Sincere condolences to the family of Rev. Bobby Holmes, our neighbor and my classmate. So very sorry for your loss. Praying for God to console you all during this difficult time.*

*Brenda Smith Keel, Armstrong Class of 1963
Lawrence “Smitty” Smith*



Brenda Keel - January 12, 2021 at 02:09 AM

RS

“ *To the family of reverend Bobby Holmes and all of the Fairfield Baptist Church family. Our love and peace are extended to you at this time. Reverend Holmes was a great friend to Amazing Grace World Fellowship and was scheduled to minister during our Fall Renewal. However, the pandemic prevented us from having that blessed time together. He was a rare spirit that brought light into any situation he encountered. We pray that those fond memories of his wit and his smile will bring you joy through the years, until you meet again.*

*Rev. Dr. LaMont E. Wimbish Sr.
Amazing Grace World Fellowship*

Rev. Lamont Wimbish Sr. - January 11, 2021 at 11:43 PM

ET

“ To my Holmes family, i am so sorry I could not be with you all during this hour of great loss but I am there in spirit. My heart is very heavy we lost a wonderful minister that was the leader of our family. He was an awesom man of of God and touched all of our lives I am certain his mom has wrapped her arms around him and his sister is telling him thank you for looking after my children and his brothers are saying you changed our family My deepest sympathy to his wife Carolyn and his two children and grands also to all of my other family. Rev Bobby holmes was there for all of us and truely the rock of the Holmes family He will be greatly missed but his legacy must live on please keep his memories alive because that is what he would want. f we live our lives for Jesus Christ we will see him again. Find comfort in Gods tender loving arms

*My heart felt prayers
Eleanor FryTwitty loving niece*

Eleanor twitty - January 11, 2021 at 08:36 PM

EB

“ Prayer and condolences to Carolyn and the Holmes family. We are going to truly miss Rev. Holmes. We always will remember his jokes and his smiles. I will miss him calling me Ellie.



Love, Major and Eleanor Bynum

Eleanor Bynum - January 11, 2021 at 06:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Bobby Holmes.*



January 11, 2021 at 03:31 PM



“ *Prayers and condolences for Carolyn and the Holmes family. Will miss Bobby's smile and all of his many stories (like falling through his ceiling.) Bobby was a true friend and a true man of God.*

Love, Rico & Toni

Rico & Toni Patterson - January 11, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *To Rev. Bobby Holmes family
Rev. Holmes was truly a man of God and he cared about everyone. He will truly be missed. The family will always have his memories in your heart. God will take care of you all. Praying for the family.
Love Brenda Booker Marrow, Shirley Ruffin and Family*

Brenda Marrow - January 11, 2021 at 03:19 PM



“ *I would like my love & condolences to the Holmes family... Rev. Bobby Holmes was definitely a good man & I can definitely call him a friend..., Will Miss you Rev. Holmes R.I.P.*

Michael washington - January 11, 2021 at 03:03 PM

PG

“ *Preacher And Angela Gordon lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bobby Holmes*



Preacher and Angela Gordon - January 11, 2021 at 12:41 PM

RF

“ *Ronald N Sizemore & Family lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bobby Holmes*



Ronald N Sizemore & Family - January 11, 2021 at 10:51 AM

PH

“ *To my Holmes family we have lost a great man. The pillar of our family. You have my deepest sympathy and condolences. Remember WE ARE FAMILY love you all. Patricia, James, Masceo and Aaliyah.*



Patricia Lynch Hawkins - January 11, 2021 at 09:59 AM

MW

“ *My deepest sympathy in the passing of my friend and classmate class of(1963) Bobby Holmes, may God comfort his family at this time. Melvin Washington class of 1963.*

Melvin Washington - January 11, 2021 at 08:26 AM

DS

“ Dorothy Streat lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bobby Holmes



Dorothy Streat - January 10, 2021 at 06:08 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Bobby Holmes.



January 10, 2021 at 04:58 PM

AM

“ Prayers of comfort for the Holmes family during this time. I had the pleasure of meeting Rev. Holmes at First Bethel Baptist church and had the opportunity to spend time with him. Many days in hitting golf balls with him at the old Armstrong School are ones I will continue to cherish for the rest of my life.

Alex Moody - January 10, 2021 at 03:48 PM

RH

“ Bobby was one of the best people I knew. We worked together at Dupont for many years. Always helpful to others, with a quick smile and pleasant way about him. My condolences go to his family for the loss of this fine man. May you Rest In Peace, Rev. Holmes.

Ronnie Hickman - January 10, 2021 at 10:59 AM

DP

“ *Dennis Parker lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bobby Holmes*



Dennis Parker - January 10, 2021 at 10:46 AM

LT

“ *Del and Yolanda, I am so sorry hear of the loss of your Dad. I am asking God to wrap you in his faithful love and comfort you with cherished memories you hold dear.*

Love Lorna

Lorna Toney - January 08, 2021 at 10:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rev. Bobby Holmes.*



January 07, 2021 at 05:34 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 - January 07, 2021 at 04:45 PM