



## Nathaniel Roberts

May 17, 1932 - August 2, 2012

NATHANIEL ROBERTS the fourth child of the late Sherwood and Clara Roberts was born in Baltimore, Maryland on May 17, 1932. He departed this life to transition into the circle of ancestors where God met him, face to face on August 2, 2012.

Nathaniel was educated in the Baltimore Public School System, graduating from Dunbar high in 1950 and achieving higher education at the University of Oklahoma. As a young man, Nathaniel married his childhood sweetheart, Bessie Williams. They were married on August 7, 1950 and from this union came six children, Patricia, Michael, Wayne, Donald, Howard and Natalie. Known as an “old school gentleman” he placed God and family first and was diligent in serving both. A tribute to Nathaniel has been chronicled in a book written by his son, Donald titled, “Hey Daddy, Read This”. A short excerpt includes these words... As I go through this faze of my life, no longer a boy, but a man ... I can only say, thank you for showing me how to be one. Having a father, or rather, a ‘daddy’ as you so aptly put it, is something I always took for granted. More than a few of my friends don’t have dads, and it’s hard for me to grasp what that must be like for them.

Being the “old school gentleman” as he was, Nathaniel owned a strong work ethic and assumed leadership in his family. He served the U.S. Post Office for over 30 years as a master mechanic attending to all of its mechanical

apparatus. Though he worked multiple jobs the majority of his life ... when home “the Look” could correct both behavior and the situation at hand” ... all that needed to be said to any of the 6 children by Bessie was ... “just wait until your father gets home.” When he committed or gave his word to people or a cause ... he was dedicated throughout his life. Active and engaged in the life of the Church, he served as a member of the Holy Name Society, the Men’s Chorus and within the role of Lector, which he cherished and honored. When proclaiming the Word of God, Nathaniel spoke with a sincerity and clarity that commanded the attention of the assembly.

Nathaniel’s love for family was manifested with the amount of time spent with family; enjoying, nurturing and guiding the family formed by God, him and Bessie. He lovingly served as husband and father. Family memories engulfed his life. Oftentimes his weekends were spent visiting his sisters homes; Juanita, Argatha, Sylvia and Mozelle as they enjoyed feasts, card playing and family-hood.

We will all cherish our memories of Nathaniel as he celebrated life with others through bowling, fishing, planting his vegetables and becoming a Baltimore Ravens “fanatic”. He so enjoyed being a season ticket holder of the Ravens and cherished his time in “handicap row” with Big Vic, Jeff and Howard. Attending away games was a real treat... his time in Cincinnati with his Bengal football family was something he looked forward to. Full of joy, his laughter will always ring clear in our ears and resound in our hearts, as we will always recall his great sense of humor when we remember him.

Nathaniel now joins the circle of ancestors including his parents, his son Michael, siblings, Junior and Juanita as well as her husband Lee Newton. He will always be loved by his wife of 62 years, Bessie and his loving children and their spouses, grandchildren and great grandchildren, sisters and a host of relatives and friends. May the Angels of Paradise come out to greet dear

Nathaniel and walk him into heaven when he will meet his God face to face.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Public Viewing

AUG 5. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore  
1101 East North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
(410) 727-3300  
info@marchfh.com

### Wake

AUG 6. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Francis Xavier Catholic  
1501 E. Oliver Street  
Baltimore, MD

### Service

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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1501 E. Oliver Street  
Baltimore, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nathaniel Roberts*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 3yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

**Ms Springer** - August 11, 2012 at 02:16 PM



“ *Cheryl J Harris lit a candle in memory of Nathaniel Roberts*



**Cheryl J Harris** - August 06, 2012 at 01:46 PM



“ *Jeanette N. Roberts lit a candle in memory of Nathaniel Roberts*



**Jeanette N. Roberts** - August 06, 2012 at 03:48 AM

JR

“ I love you Mr. Roberts - you will be in my heart forever.

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**Jeanette N. Roberts** - August 06, 2012 at 03:47 AM

JT

“ To the Howard Family,  
You are in our thoughts and prayers. God's  
house has truly gained a saint.

*Lucy and Jermaine Towns*



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**Jermaine Towns** - August 05, 2012 at 02:34 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - August 03, 2012 at 03:12 PM

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*Bessie and Family, my prayers are with you. He is resting in God's arms now. He enjoyed his time here on earth. Cherish the the memories of him.  
God be with you!  
Sister Clarice*

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**Sister Clarice Proctor** - August 04, 2012 at 09:57 AM