



Robert Lewis Brooks

October 8, 1960 - December 20, 2025

Robert Lewis Brooks, 65, of Richmond, Virginia, peacefully departed this life on December 20, 2025, surrounded by his loving wife and children. He was born on October 8, 1960, in Mechanicsville, Virginia.

Robert received his education in the Hanover County Public School System and attended Lee-Davis High School, now known as Mechanicsville High School. He was the star quarterback of the football team during his junior and senior years, earning numerous awards, accolades, and recognition in the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Robert accepted Christ under the leadership of the late Mother Sue I. Edward and, following her passing, under Bishop Willie G. Suggs. He was a faithful member of New Covenant Sabbath Apostolic Church under Pastor Cynthia Perkins and later attended New Life Deliverance Tabernacle under Bishop Robert Winfrey.

Robert was truly one of a kind. To know him was to love him. He was charming, funny, and always brought joy and laughter wherever he went. A hardworking and dedicated man, Robert possessed many talents. Wherever he was, you knew it—he had a presence that commanded the room. A perfectionist in every sense, Robert believed that anything worth doing was worth doing right. Whether remodeling a kitchen or bathroom, detailing and

restoring cars—especially his prized 1965 Thunderbird—or maintaining his immaculate lawn, excellence was always the standard.

An avid sports fan, Robert was a devoted Dallas Cowboys super fan and proudly showcased his loyalty with a Dallas Cowboys-themed room in his home.

Music was another great love of Robert's life. In 1981, he taught himself how to play the bass guitar and developed a deep passion for music and his instruments. He served as a bassist for the churches he attended and performed with several musical groups, including Shawn Stovall and the Voices of Praise and Charles Turner and the Agape Singers. He was also well known throughout the Richmond area as the leader of his band, Second Soul.

Above all else, Robert loved his family. His wife, Barbara—affectionately known as “Bar”—always came first, no matter the circumstance. He was a devoted father who shared a special bond with each of his daughters and proudly embraced his role as the ultimate “girl dad.” Robert adored his grandchildren and found joy and peace in caring for his beloved fish tank.

Virginia—and especially Richmond—will never be the same.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, William I., Sr., and Lillian A. Brooks; one brother, David Brooks; and one sister, Baby Sallie.

He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Barbara Brooks; daughters NeKia “Kiki” Brooks-Norton (Dane), Lena “Nikki” McMahan-Baker, LaKeisha “Monica” Brooks-Tyson, and Melissa “Bear” Brooks-Nelson; nine grandchildren—Kai, Kevin, Zaria, Jada, Jaime, Tristan, Maddox, Cleveland, and Robbie; one great-grandson, Kairo; sister Loretta Demby (Ernest); brothers Ollie Lewis (Ann), William Brooks, Jr., Herbert Brooks, and Leo

Brooks (Lilia); three aunts—Mary Taylor, Lillie Matthews, and Emily Allen; two uncles—George Lewis and James Lewis (Aleta); his best friend, Darnell Akers; and a host of loving relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memory Gardens

13389 Mountain Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes
2110 E Laburnum Ave
Richmond, VA 23222-2413
(804) 321-4200

Funeral Service

JAN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Covenant Apostolic Church
2129 Ford Ave.
Richmond, VA 23223

Tribute Wall

LD

“ *LaTonya, danielle, stephanie, and Deidra planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Lewis Brooks.*

LaTonya, danielle, stephanie, and Deidra - January 03 at 09:33 PM

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“ *LaTonya, danielle, stephanie, and Deidra purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert Lewis Brooks.*



LaTonya, danielle, stephanie, and Deidra - January 03 at 09:33 PM

FB

“ *I would like to send my deepest sympathy and condolences to the Brooks family. My heart goes out to everyone who had the opportunity to be around Rob and know that he was a great guy. Sharing the past times of laughter, fun, gatherings, and the love of the Dallas Cowboys will always be the most cherish of them all. Rob was in a class of his own, always willing to help when needed and just and all around great person. Rob, you may not be present, but you will always be with everyone you touch in heart and soul.*

*Rest in peace my brother....
F. E. Britt*

Fatress E. Britt - January 03 at 12:26 PM

AF

“ Apostles Rodney & Valerie Frazier planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Lewis Brooks.

Apostles Rodney & Valerie Frazier - January 03 at 07:53 AM

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“ Apostles Rodney & Valerie Frazier purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Robert Lewis Brooks.



Apostles Rodney & Valerie Frazier - January 03 at 07:53 AM

TF

“ The Brown Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Lewis Brooks.

The Brown Family - January 01 at 12:37 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Lewis Brooks.



January 01 at 12:37 PM

EM

“ *Earl And Jocelyn Meekins lit a candle in memory of Robert Lewis Brooks*



Earl and Jocelyn Meekins - December 30, 2025 at 08:02 PM

AH

“ *My sincere condolences and prayers to the family!*



Arlaj Hargrove - December 30, 2025 at 02:33 PM

TC

“ *My prayers go out to Mrs. Barbara, family and friends during this time. May God's peace comfort you.*



TIERRA Cunningham - December 30, 2025 at 08:56 AM

JC

“ *Juanita Cash lit a candle in memory of Robert Lewis Brooks*



Juanita Cash - December 29, 2025 at 09:13 PM

AW

To the family: My family and I are so sorry for your lost. May GOD be with you always.

Abbie Wyatt - January 01 at 06:07 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 - December 29, 2025 at 04:08 PM

BK

Sorry to hear of Robert passing. My heart goes out to the family. Robert was lots of fun.He is also family. Will miss him.Rest in Peace. God only takes the best. Family God will provide. Prayers goes out to you.

Blanche Kelsaw - January 03 at 03:40 PM

BK

To the family

Blanche Kelsaw - January 03 at 03:41 PM

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No comments

Blanche Kelsaw - January 03 at 03:43 PM