



Deacon Robert Leroy Taylor, Sr.

January 6, 1920 - November 24, 2020

Deacon Robert Leroy Taylor, Sr., 100, of Richmond, departed this life, Tuesday, November 24, 2020 at home with his son and daughter-in-law. He was born on January 6, 1920 in Lexington, Virginia to the late Sara Taylor. He was the eldest of three boys. His mother married in the Sutton Family and had two sons, Albeit and Thomas Sutton. He attended Richmond Public Schools until the 9th grade. He wasn't happy living in a step-father household, so he left at the age of 16. He worked continuously until the age of 67. During his life, he worked hard, heavy, manual jobs. He worked in grain, ice, and furniture warehouses.

When he was 22, he was delivering ice and met this young, lovely girl baking rolls. He tasted that roll and fell in love. Her name was Lillie Durham. They were manied on Sept. 24, 1943 and remained married for 74 loving years. From this glorious union, a son, Robeti L. Taylor, Jr. was born on June 24, 1948. He started working for Sydnor and Hudley Furniture Company in 1947. Throughout the years, he remained with the company, which is now Hanes Furniture, moving up as Head Warehouse Supervisor. He also helped his wife, Lillie, care for American Veterans in their home for 20 years. They ran a tight ship together.

Earlier in his life, he accepted the Lord Thy Savior and remained faithful until the end. He became a Deacon of Greater Refuge Church. He loved to sing

and listen to Gospel songs. He was an avid reader of religious doctrine. He also loved listening to Jazz music in all its various forms. He was preceded in death by his 2 parents; 2 brothers; sister-in law, and loving wife, Lillie. He is survived by his devoted, caring son and daughter, Robert and Maxine Taylor; one brother-in-law, William Durham, and a host of nieces and nephews. Robert was a loving, devoted, caring father to Bobby, his son; Godfather to Jewel "JJ" Johnson and Grandfather to her children. Robert "Bobby" Taylor, Jr., Ebony and Jewel Johnson were his caregivers until his death. A special thanks from the family to Drs. Harold Green Jr. and Kinloch Nelson; the catheter nurse and the hospice nurses at At Home Care Services for giving the attentive medical care and comfort to our father until the end. God Bless You All.

Dearest Father and Grandfather, Robert: A tender smile for everyone, a rugged race you've won. Your cross laid down, no more to bear, He awaits you in the Garden of Prayer. Now you can sit at Jesus' feet, sit beside His Mercy seat. Your faithful work on Earth is through and God has prepared a place for you. Late in the Evening you slipped away, and bound for glory, and there to stay. Tenderly God called that hour, for you to join his heavenly choir. You've won the race; We'll never forget your smiling face. You'll always be loved, needed and adored, but the Master needs you more. -Love, Bobby, Maxine, J.J., James, Ebony, Drnshawn, Corlin, Kyra, Jamia, and Devon.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Grave Side Service

DEC 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon Robert Leroy Taylor, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *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 - November 27, 2020 at 09:54 AM