



Reverend Frank L. Roberts

September 4, 1931 - October 5, 2020

Sylvania, Georgia

The Reverend Frank Lewis Roberts, age 89, answered the master's call, on Monday, October 5, 2020, at his residence. The native of Sylvania, Georgia was the older of two sons born to the late Lewis and Rosa Thomas Roberts.

Reverend Roberts received his formal education in the public school system of Screven County, Georgia. He received his theological training at Bryant Theological Seminary, Fitzgerald, Georgia.

At an early age he became a member of the Simmons Branch Missionary Baptist Church. In later years, he entered into the ministry at the Lawton Grove Missionary Baptist Church where he served faithfully.

Reverend Frank Roberts served as a Vice Moderator for the Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Association from the years of 1975-1982. As a dedicated pastor, Reverend Roberts showed great leadership and commitment in the association. This led to him being elected as the tenth moderator for the Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Association. He served the PMBA from the years 1982-2000. During his tenure as moderator, he and the late Rev. R.L. Lee provided great leadership for the building of the Educational Center.

As moderator, he led the Pilgrim in re-instituting the “Pilgrim Traveler” as the official newsletter, sponsored several bus trips to the National Baptist Convention, established the Pilgrim Missionary Mass Choir and permitted the first female minister to deliver a sermon during the annual session.

As a proud member of his community, he served as the former president of the NAACP and an honorary member of the Western Star #65. He received a Life Time Achievement Award for his preaching and teaching the word of God in ministry and in service. He would go on to pastored approximately eleven churches during his career as a minister of the gospel.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his former wife, Jessie Bell Coles Roberts and his brother, Rev. Michael Johnson.

His memory will be forever cherished by: his loving wife, Martha Reeves Roberts, Sylvania, GA, stepdaughters, Sherryl James (Earl), Warner Robins, GA, Shekila Zeigler, Sylvania, GA, Willie Edwardjean Prince (Morris), Statesboro, GA, 23 step grandchildren, 23 step great grandchildren, a special nephew, Bryan Coles, a host of other relatives and friends.

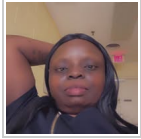
A walk through viewing will be held from the hours of 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, October 9, 2020 at Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Graveside funeral services and burial will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, October 10, 2020 at the Friendship Memorial Park Cemetery, Sylvania, Georgia with the Rev. Larry Scarboro, presiding and the Rev. Stanley Moore, as eulogist.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, social distancing will be enforced at the funeral home and graveside services. We ask that you adhere to all CDC guidelines.

Final rites have been entrusted to Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

Tribute Wall



“ *Charlene Coleman lit a candle in memory of Reverend Frank L. Roberts*



Charlene Coleman - October 10, 2020 at 11:53 AM

LR

“ *With deepest sympathy. Praying that the Lord will give you strength during this time of sorrow 🙏*
Linds Ramey and the Whitfield Family



Linda Ramey - October 09, 2020 at 11:15 PM

ER

“ *Eva Rivers lit a candle in memory of Reverend Frank L. Roberts*



Eva Rivers - October 09, 2020 at 10:14 PM

PW

“ *Deacon Paul Washington sends his condolences to The Roberts family from Cypress Pond Baptist Church.*

Paul Washington - October 09, 2020 at 06:59 PM

PC

“ *Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church lit a candle in memory of Reverend Frank L. Roberts*



Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church - October 09, 2020 at 10:49 AM

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“ *Dexter and Tonyau Rountree and Family (Maryland) purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Reverend Frank L. Roberts.*



Dexter and Tonyau Rountree and Family (Maryland) - October 08, 2020 at 11:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Reverend Frank L. Roberts.*



October 07, 2020 at 05:46 PM

BM

“ *Banks Creek Primitive Baptist Church! Elder Joseph Mosley, Pastor*



Brent and Bernice Mosley - October 07, 2020 at 10:29 AM

BM

“ *Servant of God well done, Sorry to hear about the passing of Pastor Roberts, We know him for quite some time, He pastored Scarboro Grove and Saint Mary, Banks Creek would correspond and visit with each other from time to time. May God continue to give the family comfort and peace in the days to come. Earth has no sorrow Heaven can't heal!*

Brent and Bernice Mosley - October 07, 2020 at 10:26 AM

JJ

REV F.L.ROBERTS WAS MY FIRST PASTOR AT SUMMER HILL BAPTIST CHURCH HE ACCEPTED MY HAND OF DISCIPLESHIP AT A YOUNG AGE THE LAST I SAW HIM HE CAME TO COMFORT MY FAMILY AT HILLS MORTUARY WHEN MY MOM MARGARITE JOYCE PASSED AWAY HAVING HIM THERE FOR THE COMFORTING THE FAMILY GAVE US GREAT JOY .NOW I PRAY THE THAT GOD SEND HIS HOLY SPIRIT OF COMFORT TO YOUR FAMILY.

Josiebelle Joyce - October 07, 2020 at 07:00 PM

MK

Reverend Robert's kind, beautiful and compassionate heart truly will be missed

Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Kirkland - October 11, 2020 at 10:41 AM

DJ

Reverend Roberts preached my father funeral at Simmon Branch Baptist Church many years ago. I will forever cherish his smile and love for my family. A soldier gone home to be with the Lord . Thanks Dr. Bernard Kent Jr. Savannah, Georgia

DR. Bernard Kent Jr. - November 16, 2020 at 06:38 PM