



Robert Henry Burke

February 9, 1937 - October 2, 2016

Robert “Bob” Henry Burke was born February 9, 1937 to the late Jessie and Blanche Burke in Carmichael, Maryland. He departed this life suddenly on October 2, 2016 at Bayhealth Medical Center.

Robert married Harriet Evalena Burke April 15, 1957. From this union there were 4 children, 15 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Robert graduated from Kennard High School in 1955. Robert was a veteran of the Airforce and retired from the Delaware Army National Guards. He worked at Kraft Foods for 35 years until retirement.

Robert is preceded in death by 2 children; Karen Brown and Walton Burke; siblings (brothers) James “Ed” Edwards, John Henry, Jessie, James, Lester, Thomas Roy, Rodger, Bradford, Alexander and Raymond; (sisters) Marguerite and Isabelle.

April 16, 2011, Robert was inducted into Delaware Afro-American Sports Hall of Fame of Bowling. In his younger years, he coached Little League Baseball, refereed and played for basketball teams. He also pitched for the Eastern Shore Baseball League. He loved to dress and brag about his off-springs.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife of 59 years; two daughters, Rolenia (Charles) and Flora (Harold); brother, Lewis Burke; brother-in-law Oscar (Joyce) Seals, Toussaint Harrison, Florence Burke, Christina Burke; favorite nieces, Blanche Walker and Ida Mae Leatherbury, and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Robert Henry Burke, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall

MF

“ *ToThe Family:1 Thessalonians 4:17 We will be with the Lord forever. On the basis of this we give departed believers only a temporary farewell. Of course, farewells are painful, but we can rest assured that they are in the Lord's safe hands. Though life on earth has ended for your loved one, he will continue to live forever and better in the next life where Jesus is. "THEREFORE ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER WITH THESE WORDS."*(1 Thessalonians 4:18).*May God always be your Comforter as you put your trust in Him.*

Mary Smith and Family - October 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your loved one. In the bible at John 5:28&29 it tells us that there is going to be a resurrection of the dead. Also, in the near future Revelation 21:3&4 tells us that death, sickness and pain will be done away with. Please take comfort in the bible during your time of grief and may the GOD of all comfort give you peace at this most grievous time.*

Doretha Sampson - October 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

L♥

“ Dear Aunt Evalena and Family ♥ Revelation 21: 1-4 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away, and there was no more sea. And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away. We remember how much Uncle Robert enjoyed life, and participating in several activities, especially Bowling.

Jesus was the center of his joy!!! I will always remember The Spiritual Praise Anniversary on June 11, 2016. Uncle Robert sang "It Is No Secret What God Can Do." It was so spirit-filled, and touched so many people. After the Worship Service, I had to let him know that he touched so many souls as he sang from his heart. Praise God,! He is now with Jesus, singing in the Heavenly Choir. Love, Prayers, and Peace to everyone.

Lorraine Jenkins and Family ♥ - October 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ My prayers are you. May God comfort you all.

Kim Butler - October 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Dear Family : Always remember that God is with you and your family. Cherish the fond memories of your loved one. Although Robert will be missed, he is with Jesus. He that believeth in the SON has everlasting life.

mildred Earle and Family - October 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ I will miss bowling with my good friend. Praying for the family. Stay strong Eva

Bro Ray - October 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I am sorry for your loss, please accept my sincere condolences. I hope the family will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. may GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.-Matthew 5:4.

M Jones - October 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Dear Evalena and Family. May God cradle you in His arms and comfort you . Our thoughts and prayers are with you. PSALM 23- The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want.

Ruth King - October 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM