



## Ronald Robinson

March 15, 1940 - February 17, 2013

Ronald “Ronnie” Maull Robinson, age 72, son of Cora Robinson Washington and the late Joseph E. Seymore, departed this life on Sunday, February 17, 2013 in Beebe Hospital surrounded by family and friends.

Ronnie was raised in Lewes, Delaware where he attended Dupont Avenue School and graduated from William C. Jason Comprehensive High School in 1958. While attending Jason, Ronnie was noted for his outstanding play on the baseball field. “Pard Maull” as he was affectionately called by many who knew him, was a “lefty” and could throw a “wicked breaking ball” that caught the attention of professional scouts. A knee injury suffered in an automobile accident shortly after graduating high school interrupted Ronnie’s dream of making it to the ‘Major League’. Nevertheless, this did not erase his love for baseball, as he played for many years in the all black Delmarva League as a pitcher and first baseman for the Lewes Cardinals. Because of his outstanding performance on the baseball field, Ronnie was inducted into the Delaware Afro-American Sports Hall of Fame in April 2005.

During his early years, Ronnie attended St. George AME Church and enjoyed teaching Sunday School. Even late into his adult life, you could often hear Ronnie proudly telling others of how he was a Sunday school teacher.

Ronnie was a supervisor at the now defunct Doxsee clam processing plant in

Lewes. After that facility closed, he joined the operations-and-maintenance crew at the Lewes University of Delaware campus. Ronnie retired from that position in March of 2005.

Ronnie was preceded in death by his grandparents Henry and Leonia Maull, father Joseph E. Seymore, sister Julia "Bonnie" Coyle, brother Joseph "Joey" Seymore and his son, Ronald Ward, Sr.

He leaves to cherish fond memories his parents, Cora and Rev. Collins Washington; four daughters, Teresa Johnson, Trudy Maker, Michelle Ward and Phyllis Gibbs; one son, Adrian Jones; four sisters, Leonia Robinson, Nancy (Bill) Collick, Linda (Gerald) Echols, and Barbara Seymore; three brothers, Mark Gooch, Wayne Gooch and Clay Seymore; a devoted nephew and caregiver, James H. Robinson; loving companion, Marie "Butchie" Loper and a steadfast friend, Pauline Hayward; eleven grandchildren, eight great-grand children, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family and Friends of Ronald Robinson - Please be comforted by promises found in the Bible at this difficult time. Continue to dwell on the happy memories and fine qualities that you remember about Mr. Robinson. Death and suffering was not part of Jehovah God's purpose for mankind. Everything that God created was "very good" (Genesis 1:31). Sickness and death came to mankind due to Adam's sin (Genesis 2:17) which made Adam imperfect. Mankind inherited imperfection from Adam and Eve. Because of Jesus' ransom sacrifice of his perfect human life, hope of everlasting life was restored. Death will be done away with (Revelation 21:4). Faith in these Bible promises gives us hope. Please look forward to the joy of again seeing Mr. Robinson in perfect Paradise earth conditions. Faith in these promises will hopefully ease the pain of loss. Meanwhile we have the opportunity to follow Jesus' instruction to continue to take in Bible knowledge that leads to everlasting life (John 17:3).

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**J Johnson** - February 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family and will continue to keep you in our prayers.

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**Thomas & Doris Palmer** - February 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. I hope knowing what Jesus says about those who have fallen asleep in death, will bring you some comfort. The greatest joy will be when Jesus performs the earthly resurrection, restoring those in the grave back to life; reuniting families as he did when he walked the earth.- John 5:28,29; 11:38-44; Psalms 37:29. May God continue to bless the Robinson's Family during this time of sorrow.-Isaiah 66:13.

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**Mattie Jones** - February 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM