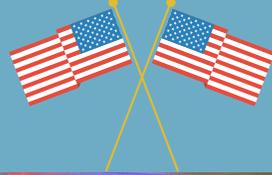


Celebration of Life for

Ernest L. Roberts



MAY 27, 1966

FEBRUARY 13, 2021



Friday February 26, 2021

Viewing 10:00a.m.

Service: 10:30 a.m.

Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church

11115 KINSMAN RD
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44104

Order of Service

Musical Prelude.....

Processional.....Family

Scripture (Old Testament).....23 Psalm
(Rev Marcy Sanford)

Scripture (New Testament).....2nd Timothy 4:6-8
(Rev Marcy Sanford)

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev.Marcy Sanford

Musical Selection.....

Acknowledgements & Remarks.....Family and Friends

Obituary.....Please Read Silently

Musical Selection.....

Eulogy.....Rev Robert Polite

Closing Prayer & Benediction.....Rev Marcy Sanford

Recessional.....Family

OBITUARY

Ernest Leroy Roberts was born May 27, 1966 in Cleveland, Ohio. He is the fifth of five children born to the loving parents of Claude A. Roberts(Deceased) and Blanche A. Roberts. He was affectionately know as "Biggie". He received his education in the Cleveland Public School System. He attended Washington Irving Elementary School then onto Audubon Middle School and he graduated from Aviation High School.

Following his graduation Biggie decided to join the United States Air Force where he began his military career in San Antonio, Texas as a Medical Service Specialist. He was transferred to Biloxi, Mississippi where he worked in the Emergency Room, Pediatric Unit and as a Health and Wellness Educator and during this time he met the love of his life Linda (Fisher) Roberts. They married September 2, 1987 and with this union they started a family and had two beautiful daughters Britteny Roberts and Brianne Roberts where he spent eleven years of his Air Force time. He was then transferred again to Cleveland, Ohio for a four year special duty assignment as a Air Force Recruiter in the Cleveland Heights office recruiting young men and women into the Military Service. I remember he would solicit me and his girls to come help out in the office. This was a perfect fit for Biggie since he did have the gift for being a smooth talker, but he spoke the truth and that is what made him such a successful Air Force Recruiter, his first year he received several awards he was so proud of being "Rookie of the Year", meeting all his quota goals every quarter to just mention a few and he would tell the recruits what the Military has done for him. He was so proud of all the lives that he had impacted and so many of his recruits would always show their appreciation by sending him letters thanking him for changing their lives and pictures of them in their graduation uniform. Upon completion of that assignment he transferred to Tampa Florida to be a Flight Chief Recruiter for the remainder of his Air Force career. During his time in the Military he developed so many lasting relationships with his Military family and he stayed in contact with them even after he left the Military. After his 23 years of service, he Retired from Active Duty service and returned to Cleveland, Ohio to help care for his mother Blanche Roberts and mother-in-law Erinea Fisher until their passing.

At an early age was known to be a smooth talker with a contagious smile and laugh. He had such a big personality and he was a born leader. He could talk you into anything and he could sell you anything. Biggie was always the life of the party; his presence controlled the room. He had this energy that made everyone gravitated to him. When walking into a room you could always find him by following the sound of loud and uncontrolled laughter. He was a big jokester at any time he could be found cracking jokes and singing his favorite old school songs. He had his way about him that he could be cracking a joke about you without coming off as offensive and have you and everyone else cracking up. Biggie was also known as a mentor; he was a man that so many looked up to and admired. He was a great listener, and many requested his advice. He genuinely did care about everyone and welcomed everyone with open arms. He was everyone father, brother, uncle, cousin and he never let anyone feel left out. He had a personal relationship with everyone he knew and had impacted each and everyone lives that he encountered. He motivated, inspired and challenged everyone around him and he wanted nothing but the best for all of us!

Biggie later in life had accepted the Lord and was baptized at the Word Church. Biggie could be found watching Sports, old Westerns and Military type movies when he was not enjoying time with his family. He was known for his love of guns and going to the shooting range. He later became a Concealed Carry Weapons instructor doing what he enjoyed most, shooting and talking about guns. He also had this competitiveness when it came down to family games night and kickball at the park you can ask anyone about that! He was the ultimate family man and enjoyed anything that involve the family and getting together with good drinks and plenty of laughs. He had a granddaughter Taliyah that meant the world to him and he enjoyed watching movies eating snacks on the couch with her. When he would go to the store he would always bring her back a surprise. He loved traveling and trying new and different things!

Preceding him in death are his parents Blanche and Claude Roberts.

He leaves behind to cherish his loving memory his wife Linda (Fisher) Roberts of 34 years: his daughters Britteny Roberts and Brianne Roberts (Boss); and his granddaughter Taliyah Kenney. Brother Claude Roberts(Terri); Brother James Lewis (Jimmie); Brother Carl Roberts; Sister Diane Roberts, Nieces Janice, LaTasha, Tonesha, Tiara and Nephews Claude Jr and Carl, four great nieces, two great nephews and a host of cousins and other extended family members and friends.

Humbly Submitted,
The Family

HE ONLY TAKES THE BEST

God saw you getting tired, And a cure was not to be; So he puts his arms around you and whispered, "Come To Me". With tearful eyes we watched you and saw you pass away.

Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating. two eyes closed and resting. Hard working hands to rest. God broke our hearts to rove to us. He only takes the best



Interment

Cleveland Memorial Gardens
4324 Green Rd
Highland Hills, Ohio 44122

Pall Bearers

Carl Roberts	Raynard Wright
Richard Wright	Richard Wright
Ernest Ottrix	Demere Houston

Honorary Pall Bearers

Bryon Ottrix	Richard Adams
Henry Lee Ottrix	Michael Carrington
Raymond Sylvertooth	Claude Roberts Jr

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends!

Acknowledgements

The family of Ernest Roberts gratefully acknowledges with deep appreciation all the kind expressions of love extended to them in prayer, thoughts, and encouragement. May God continue to richly bless each and everyone of you as you will always be in our hearts!

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