

## *Pallbearers*

Eric Armstrong-Ross      Jodie Kohn  
Angelo Ross                Roderick Baker  
Djuan Keys                Titus Kent  
Alton Keys                 Zebulon Perkins

## *Flower Attendants*

Deaconess of Greater Mt. Salem Baptist Church

## *Granddad*

We know you can no longer stay with us, you fought long and hard to be with us. We know you now watch over and protect us. Although we cannot hear your voice or see your smiling face, We know deep down in our hearts that you have not left us. Instead every day you surround us with the singing of the birds, the rising of the sun and the falling of night. So many broken hearts are left behind, but in our deepest despair our greatest comfort lies in knowing that you are now at peace with the angels and God. So as time passes our tears will dry, our hearts will mend, but our love for you will never end.

## *Acknowledgement*

The family of the late *Reverend Alton Rogers* would like to express our deepest gratitude for the outpouring of love that has been shown to our family during our time of bereavement. We appreciate all your kind gestures, whether it was a call, card, email, food, prayer or a visit. We sincerely appreciate you. Thank you and may God forever Bless and keep you is our Prayer.

~The Family

### *Arrangements in Care of:*



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# *A Celebration of Life for*



## *Reverend Alton "Moon" Rogers*

*Sunrise*

October 24, 1950

*Sunset*

August 11, 2017

### *Service*

10:00 AM, Saturday, August 19, 2017

## *Greater Mt. Salem Baptist Church*

2335 Moncrief Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32209

*Reverend Charles E. Banks, Officiating*



# Life Reflections

**Reverend Alton (Moon) Rogers**, also affectionately called by his grandkids, “Granddaddy Altee,” was born in Jacksonville, Florida on October 24, 1950 to the parents of the late Reverend W.Q. Rogers and the late Emma Singleton Rogers. Alton was educated in the Duval County Public School system. He attended New Stanton High School and was a proud graduate and represented the Class of 1968. Rev. Rogers was a Brick Masonry by trade and worked at the shipyard for many years. God blessed him with gifted carpenter hands, which he used to build creative furniture, outdoor grills and tables, as well as medical gadgets to help patients improve their quality of living.

At an early age, Alton confessed Christ as his personal Lord and Savior and was baptized and became a member of what is now Greater Mt. Salem Missionary Baptist Church. Under the leadership of Rev. Charles E. Banks, Alton Rogers became licensed as a minister and in 2005 became ordained as a Reverend. Rev. Rogers served faithfully as a Reverend at Mt. Salem Baptist Church and United Tabernacle, teaching and preaching God’s Word, even in sickness, until his death. Rev. Rogers was the epitome of a “true soldier in God’s army.” He had many reasons to complain, but never did. A true man of God!

**Alton** was united in Holy Matrimony to Cassandra “Elaine” Rogers on November 24, 1972. As a result of this union, there are three children; Rhonda, Gerald and Altar, twelve grandkids, and one great-grandchild.

**Alton** was preceded in death by his wife of 44 years, Cassandra “Elaine” Rogers, his parents, Rev. W.Q. and Emma Rogers, granddaughter, Akeela Westbrook, sisters, Eula Conway, Arnetta Todd, Rosa Lee Nelson and Emma Rogers; brother, Willie Q. Rogers.

To cherish his memories forever is his daughters, Rhonda Ross (Kyle) of Atlanta, GA and Altar Rogers; son, Gerald Buckholtz; grandchildren, Eric Armstrong-Ross, Angelo and Michelle Ross, Djuan Keys (Vernice) of San Diego, CA, Zayna and Zerhanna Buckholtz, Alton Keys, Jahari and Achilles Westbrook, Royal Johnson and Shaquan Johnson; great grandbaby, Nevaeh Akeela Keys; godchildren, Victoria Durden and Alexander Brinson; siblings, Dorise Jackson, Margaret Sinclair (Miami, FL), Evelyn Wynn, Shirley Kohn, Juanita Rogers (Ruby, SC), Curtis Rogers (Lynn) of Miami, FL and Eddie Rogers; aunts, Angeline Harris, Artisher Blue (John) of Orlando, FL, Sally Eason of Lyons, GA, Frances Sneed and Frankie Stepherson; in-laws, Joyce, Reecie Jr. (Thomasina), James Jr., Carolyn, Doris, Sylvia, Linda (Emmanuel), Richard (Delores), Chartis (Rev. Brown), Lawand, Verdy (Jeanne) and Melvin (Leslie); dear friends, Rev. John and Alberta Wells, Randall (Blue) Williams, and cousin Eugene Howard.

# Order of Service

Rev. John Wells, Presiding  
African Universal Baptist Church

**Processional** ..... “Welcome”

## Scriptures:

Old Testament Reading ..... Rev. Ronald Brown

New Testament Reading ..... Rev. Earl Mason

**Solo** ..... *Grandchildren*

Djuan and Alton Keys, Michelle Ross & Eric Armstrong-Ross

**Invocation** ..... Minkah Prier (*Nephew*)

**Selection** ..... Combined Choirs

**Acknowledgements** ..... Charlette Oliver

**Poem** ..... Frances Sneed (*Aunt*)

**Resolution** ..... Sis. Tomika Rodall

**Reflections** ..... (*Two Minutes Please*)

As a Spiritual Leader ..... Rev. J.C. Green

As a Cousin ..... Eugene Howard

As a District Leader ..... Dea. Michael Caldwell

As a Neighbor ..... Mrs. Claresa Baggs

Alton’s Children ..... Rhonda, Gerald & Altar

As a Friend ..... Rev. John Wells

**Solo** ..... Chiquita Heflin (*Niece*)

**Words of Comfort** ..... Pastor Charles E. Banks

**Recessional** ..... “Well Done”

## Interment

Gethsemane Memorial Garden

## Repast

Greater Mt. Salem Fellowship Hall