

Order of Service

*Bishop Adam J. Richardson, Jr., Presiding Prelate
11th Episcopal District
The Rev. Tony DeMarco Hansberry, Presiding Elder
Suwannee North District*

The Gathering Soft Music

The Processional Greater Grant Memorial Choir

The Opening Hymn Greater Grant Memorial Choir
"Time Is Filled With Swift Transition" #513

The Invocation The Rev. Newton E. Williams

The Ministry of Music Greater Grant Memorial Choir

The Scriptures:

Old Testament The Rev. Macey Mills
Job 14:1-14

New Testament The Rev. F. D. Richardson
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The Solo Sis. Mavis Pittman

The Reflections (*Two Minutes Please*)
Sis. Olivia Lester
Bro. Gregg Lester
Sis. Joan Jones

The Resolutions & Acknowledgements Sis. Connie Corker

The Solo Sis. Toni Durham

The Words of Comfort The Rev. Tan C. Moss

The Recessional The Choir and Congregation
"Going Up Yonder"

Active Pallbearers

The Sons of Allen
The Greater Grant AME Church

Honorary Pallbearers

Clarence Bellamy Robert L. Lester, Jr.
Lenard Lester Hoshea Lester

Flower Attendants

Maggie Pearl Tookes Women's Missionary Society

Acknowledgements

The family of the late **Robert Lee Lester** would like to thank our many family members and friends for every kind act that you have shown to us during our time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness have not gone unnoticed, we thank you for your calls, visits, flowers, and love that you have displayed. Our prayer is that God will continue to shower His blessings upon your lives.

~The Family

Interment

Restlawn Cemeteries
2600 Ribault Scenic Drive
Jacksonville, Florida 32208

Repast

The Greater Grant Memorial AME Church

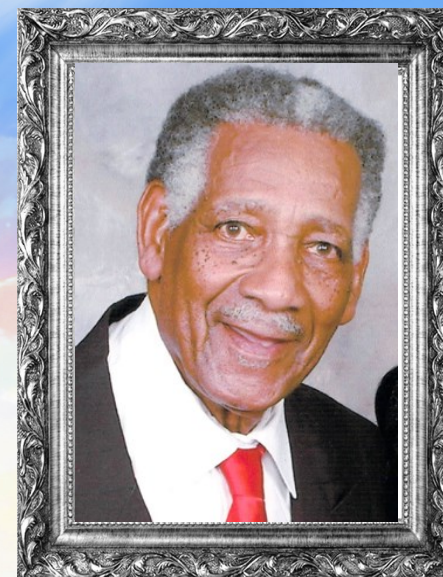
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Brother Robert Lee Lester

Funeral Service

10:00 AM, Saturday, March 24, 2018

Greater Grant Memorial African Methodist

Episcopal Church

5533 Gilchrist Road
Jacksonville, Florida 32219

The Reverend Tan C. Moss, Officiating



Obituary

Sunrise

February 28, 1925

Sunset

March 15, 2018

Robert L. Lester Sr. a beautiful baby boy, was born on February 28, 1925 to the late Frank L. Lester, Sr. and Josie Hart Lester. He was the eldest of 12 children. Robert chose Christ as his personal Savior at an early age and united with Simpson Memorial United Methodist Church in Jacksonville, Florida under the leadership of Pastor Lawrence Q. Barriner, Sr. There he grew with the knowledge of God and sought his will for his life.

Robert attended the public schools of Columbia County, Florida and graduated from Richardson High School. He furthered his education at Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Robert was united in holy matrimony on July 29, 1956 to Hattie Collins. They spent 61 wonderful years together. This union was blessed with 6 children. He retired after 39 years of being a long distance truck driver with Winn Dixie. After retiring Robert enjoyed working on electronics. He was a member of the Live Long and Like it Senior Club and enjoyed traveling.

On Thursday morning, March 15, 2018 at Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida our gracious Father granted Robert Lee Lester Sr., entry into his Kingdom, where he can behold the beauty of his presence throughout eternity. He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Frank L. Lester, Jr., Betty J. Evans and Madene Powell.

Robert leaves to cherish a lifetime of precious memories by his loving family: a devoted wife, Hattie L. Lester; four sons, Clarence (Pat) Bellamy, Robert L. (Jackie) Lester, Jr., Lenard (Olivia) Lester, Hoseha (Sylvia) Lester; two daughters, Charlotte Lester-Holsey and Debora Lester; 6 grandchildren, Robert L. Lester, III, Latoya (Muhammad) Smith, Gregory (Tierra) Holsey, Jr., Jovan Holsey, Christopher Bellamy and Eric Bellamy; 3 great-granddaughters, Jadynn Williams, London Holsey and Zoey Lester; 1 great-grandson, Malcolm Smith; brothers, Fred Lester, Johnnie Lester and Harold Hart; sisters, Mary Howard, Joan Jones, Cozzie Wilson, Selena Pittman, Ethel (Charles) Vaughn; brother-in-laws, Johnnie (Diane) Collins, William Pittman, Jr.; sister-in-laws, Annie B. Newsome, Ella Collins, Mary Langston, Leola (Johnnie) Speights, Doris Collins; godchildren, Verneatrice (Anthony) Winns, Rev. Tommie (Monique) Rodgers, Avery (Ronalda) Anderson, Carolyn L. (David) Brown and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.



Loving Memories



23rd Psalm

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Amen



Forever In Our Hearts

