# In Loving Memory of

Joseph Robertson, Jr.

Sunrise January 30, 1914 Sunset August 3, 2011

Service Friday, August 12, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.** 

2352 8th Avenue New York, New York 10027 Reverend James Robert Ken, Officiating Bobby Arrington, Organist

### <u>Obituary</u>

**Joseph Robertson, Jr** January 30, 1914 to August 3, 2011. After a courageous battle with illness following a fall, Joe peacefully passed away at the Isabella Geriatric Center in Manhattan.

Joe was born and raised along with his four siblings in New Orleans, Louisiana to the late Joseph Robertson, Sr. and Ceola Alston. As a little boy, Joe balanced going to school and working on the golf course as a young caddie. In search of a better opportunity, Joe headed north and made his way to New York City in 1946, where he lived for the next sixty-five years.

He worked as a Foreman for Atlantic Gum Factory in Brooklyn, NY for over thirty years until he retired in 1979.

Joe was the beloved husband of Martha Robertson for over fifty-eight years.

Joe will forever be remembered by: his loving sister, Leola McCuller (Odell); beloved children, Dorothy Anthony, Joseph Robertson, III (Shirley), Hazel Harriet (Steve) and Edwin Robertson, Sr.; treasured by his grandchildren, Joyce Robertson, Sybil Johnson (Marvin), Ivey Sanders (Lawrence), Gay Russell, Kelly Funderburk, Dana Brumfield (Dwayne) the late Judy Lyons, Stephanie Wilson (Demetrius), Shanelle Roberson-Allen, Edwin Robertson, Jr. (Kia) and Matthey Wray; twenty great grand children, twenty-five great great grandchildren; and one great, great, great grandchild; along with countless other friends and family whom were blessed to know him.

Joe loved listening to the blues, playing cards and of course golf, which he played well into his 90's. He especially loved laughing with his family, and traveling with his with friends. Joe touched the lives of many people with his smile and generosity, and maintained his trademark sense of humor all the way to the end.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

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Acknowledgements

Remarks

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Eulogy

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



#### **Final Disposition**

Woodlawn Cemetery Bronx, New York

Following the service, family and friends are invited to the Repast at 129 West 147th street, North Community Room. Friends and family are also invited to attend a memorial service on Saturday, August 13, 2011 at Ferncliff Cemetery, at 10:00 a.m.

## The Master Called

I'm sorry I had to leave you. My loved ones, oh so dear. But you see, the Master called me, His voice was very clear! I had made my reservation A heaven bound ticket for one, And I knew that He would call me When He felt my work was done. I know that your hearts are heavy Because I have gone away, But when the Master called me, I knew that I could not stay. Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you My loved ones, oh so dear, But, you see, the Master called me And, now I'm resting here. Yes, I've crossed on over to glory And to you all I say Just stay in the hands of Jesus And we'll meet again someday.

-Author unknown

#### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.

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