

*Homegoing Service
Celebrating the Life of*

Sunrise

August 29, 1925

Sunset

December 31, 2011

Fitzgerald "Sonny" Roberts

Service

Friday, January 6, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church

1002 Rivington Street

Roselle, New Jersey

Rev. Milton A. Byrd, Pastor

Life Reflections

Fitzgerald (Sonny) Roberts was born in Hoboken, New Jersey on August 29, 1925. Sonny was the son of the late Fitzgerald Roberts and Ethel Phyllis Roberts Lewis and stepson of James Lewis, Sr. Sonny attended school in New York and later joined the US Marine Corp.

Sonny loved to sing, play pool and most of all bowling which became his life of entertainment. He took bowling very seriously. He sang to all who had a birthday on the microphone at Jersey Lanes in Linden, New Jersey. Sonny had such a love for people and no one was a stranger. When he told you a joke he would almost fall out laughing before he finished. He truly loved his grands and great grandchildren. Many times he would bring the kids to bowl, where he loved to be amongst his bowling friends.

Sonny departed this life on Saturday, December 31, 2011 at home after a short illness, with his family by his bedside.

Sonny leaves to cherish his memory, his adoring wife, Catherine Roberts; one sister, Ruth Welters of Linden, NJ; one brother, James Lewis (Katherine) of Linden, NJ; two daughters, Rosilyn Watson (Donald) of Rocky Mt., NC and Debra Edwards of Linden, NJ; five sons, Gerald Roberts (Myrna) of South Plainfield, NJ, Raymond Roberts of Roselle, NJ, Kevin Roberts (Gail) of Wrens, GA, Gary Smith (Jaraysha) Smith of Baltimore, MD and Ronald Smith of Irvington, NJ; twenty grandchildren; thirty-six great grandchildren; four great great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dearly devoted friends.

*Though his smile is gone forever,
And his hand we cannot touch,
Still we have so many memories
Of the one we love so much.*

*His memory is our keepsake
With which we will never part.
God had him in His keeping,
We have him our hearts.*

Lovingly and Sorrowfully,
The Family

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

A Parting View

Hymn “God Will Take Care of You”

Scriptures Rev. Alfred E. Brown, Jr.

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary Read Silently

Solo Renee DeSarno

Eulogy..... Rev. Milton A. Byrd

Recessional “Soon and Very Soon”

Interment

Rosedale Memorial Park

Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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Pall Bearers

JERSEY LANE BOWLERS

Kevin Reid	George Merette
Rich Remeika	Stanley Boone, Jr.
Clinton Ward, Jr.	Henry Patrick

Acknowledgement

The family of **Sonny Roberts** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers.

Special thanks and gratitude to Raymond, Rosilyn, Gail and Sonny's nurse Lauren at Overlook Hospital, who thought of him like a grandfather. All you have done did not go unnoticed. The family is truly grateful. You did your best and God did the rest. Be Blessed.