

A Home Going Celebration



Robert Lee Nennix

Sunrise: January 10, 1938

Sunset: November 30, 2015



Obituary

Robert Lee Hennix was born on January 10, 1938 in Florence, South Carolina, to the late Joseph and Mary Hennix. Robert was the eldest boy of twelve children.

As a young boy, Robert known as “Bubba” enjoyed fishing, hunting rabbit, and working in the fields with his father and brothers. He also enjoyed listening to his favorite radio show “The Legend of Zorro”. One Sunday while still wearing his “Good Sunday Church shoes”, Bubba played pretending to be Zorro, when the unthinkable happened...he busted his “Good Sunday Church shoes”!!! Boy was he gonna be in trouble, big trouble the kind of trouble that only a hero could save him from. When his mother noticed his shoes and asked what happened, Bubba said...“I am Zorro and I had to save Bernardo” (Zorro sidekick) So I jumped off the roof of the house to my horse and my shoes busted.” Bubba's mother and grandma laughed so hard and long, there was no punishment for the busted shoes, and Bubba became dearly known as “Zorro” from that point on.

Zorro was enrolled in South Carolina Public School, however spent most of his elementary years working at a very very young age in the fields to help care for his large family. From the field he landed his first paying job at the Pepsi Cola Company, where he worked on the trucks as a delivery boy, delivering cases of soda to nearby stores and businesses. Wanting more out of life and to see new places at seventeen years old, Zorro quit Pepsi Cola and moved to Florida where he worked odd jobs, of which one job was as a Golf Caddy where he learned the skills of playing golf, learning the right clubs to use for the right swing, and how to swing against the wind like a professional.

Some years later, he settled down in New York City. And in New York City is where Zorro found “The Love of His Life” and married Bertha Lee Gadson and from that union produce six children, three boys and three girls, Vincent, Lacey, Robert Jr., Angie (Andrea), Tracey and Robyn. As a husband and father, Zorro took his roll very serious. He was the epitome of what a husband and father should be, a leader, provider, a symbol of strength, a source of protection and security.

Although Zorro was not a “religious” man...he DID have a personal relationship with our Heavenly Father of which he in terms of endearment referred to as “The Old Man Upstairs”. Only a man of faith can endure 77 years of life with little to no education and still be able to successfully hold down job after job. (His favorite job of all times was Prep Chef at “New York Famous Carney Deli”) to keep a roof over his family's head and food on the table without succumbing to robbing or stealing. Raising six children, and being a strong influence in his grandchildren's lives, nobody can do that without God's help!!! Zorro loves thee “Old man upstairs” and had a personal relationship with Him knowing and accepting Jesus Christ as His Savior.

He was a proud father...oh but being Grandpa was his best roll. This man LOVED his grandchildren so much and it showed!!! Zorro once told his sister, Emma (Quote) “I’ve must have done something right in my life...For The Old Man to have blessed me with good children. and great grandkids, who take real good care of me!!!”

Preceding Robert (Zorro) in death are as followed: his father, Joseph Hennix, his sister, Nora McKay, his brothers, Eddie, Richard, and Joe, Jr. Hennix, his wife, Bertha Lee Hennix, his daughter, Robyn M. Hennix, and his mother, Mary Ann Hennix Harley.

Robert Lee Hennix (Zorro) leaves behind: his son, Vincent Hennix of NJ; his daughters, Andrea (Angie) Moore of Nashville and Tracey Charles of NY; his sons, Lacey Hennix of NY and Robert Hennix, Jr. of TN; son-in-law, Harold Moore of Nashville; daughter-in-law, Nyamekye Hennix of NY; grandchildren, Tyrelle Hennix of NY, Michael Moore of Nashville, Michael Hennix of NJ, Kipp Charles of NY, Keyonna Charles of NY, Davanta Hennix of NY, Jordan Hennix of NY, Najja Hennix of NY, Joshua Malone of NY, David Malone of NY, Jada Malone and Harold Moore Andrews of NY.



I HAVE FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT (WORTHY,
HONORABLE, AND NOBLE) I HAVE FINISHED THE
RACE I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH

2 Timothy 4:7

“WE LOVE YOU ZORRO AND WILL KEEP YOUR
MEMORY ALIVE IN OUR HEARTS AND LIVES
UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN.”

Acknowledgement

At this time, a special thank you to Lacey R. Hennix for the years of dedicated responsibility. He has taken personally care of our father while he battled his illness. Lacey, you were awesome in the role you played in our dads final years. I know it wasn't easy, But you NEVER failed him. Thank you on a job well done. And to Davanta and Jordan, you boys gave Grandpa a reason to live after grandma died. You made him important and responsible again!!! Jordan this and Davanta that, was at least fifteen minutes of EVERY phone call we shared. Keyanna reminded him so much of Grandma, he said you have the same mannerisms. He laughed when talking about how no nonsense you are. Kipp, without a doubt Grandpa believes you can be whatever you set out to do. Najja, Grandpa admired the way you carry yourself, elegant and First Lady like. Tyrell and Michael, well you guys started his Grandpa frenzy years ago when he first spoiled you two. And last but certainly not the least, Tracey, Zorro might have left us some years earlier if it had not been for you. He told me about a cab ride you guys shared after mom died, where he realized he could never leave you...he said you were crying about him moving Down South and he said the look in your eyes said, 'His job was not yet done and he wasn't willing to leave the love you've shown towards him.

Well Family this is not the end of Robert Lee Hennix's life...it's just the end to this chapter, his legacy lives on through his many seeds. Let us keep up the good works he has already begun.

Love, Andrea (Angie) Moore

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