



Robert "Bob" Cherry

February 1, 1942 - November 9, 2017

Service

Thursday, November 16, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

144 -146 W. 131st Street • New York, NY 10027

Order of Service

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Invocation.....Minister Gregory Mendoza

Congregational Hymn....#440, "Life's Railways to Heaven"

Scripture Readings by Grandsons

From the Quran.....Jerard Matherson

Psalm 27:1 -5.....Jerald Matherson

John 14:1-6.....Robert Jackson

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. James Kilgore

Solo.....Danny Coakley

Acknowledgements.....Judith Brown-Leigh

Solo.....Charles Johnson

Obituary.....Lynelle M. James

Solo.....Charles Johnson

Remarks.....Family Members

Eulogy.....Rev. James Kilgore

Committal

Final Viewing

Recessional

Obituary

Robert T. Cherry was born in New York City on February 1, 1942 to the late Elsie and William Cherry. He was preceded in death by his sister, Celeste Slatter.

Robert was affectionately known as, "Bob", "Big Bob" "Poppì", "Uncle B." and "Papa Smurf". He was one of the most giving and loving persons you could encounter. Quick to put others before himself, give the shirt off his back and invite you to sit at his table. With that never ending smile, you knew he aimed to please.

Although he was "A Big Teddy Bear" he did not tolerate any nonsense, when you spoke he listened and when he spoke you better do the same. He was slow to give advice but with a firm voice, did not hesitate to let you know when you were going in the wrong direction. While Robert was the father of five children, Robert, Jr., Denise, Kevin, Jerard and Jerald, there are many grownups thanking him for being "like a father."

The seventeen grandchildren and ten great-grands can tell you of the many video games he shared with them (and did not allow them to win) or the number of bootleg movies and CDs he had on hand for their enjoyment. The early morning breakfast he prepared and couldn't wait for them to get up to eat will always be a vivid memory. His love for them was in everything he did.

He may not have been a scholar, but he was a gentleman. He died broke but he leaves us with an abundance of love. During our 38 years of marriage, I know he loved me, the children, family, friends and all that crossed his path.

This is the Bob Cherry Story

He Was and Will Forever Be

Child of God

Son Brother Father Uncle Husband

Grandfather Great Grandfather

Poppa Smurf Poppo Wise Affirming Friend

Culinary Chef Scholar

Role Model Joyful Soul Mentor Debonair

Beacon of Wisdom Charming

Humorous Silent Confidante Giving

Charitable Positive

Chocolate Lover Patient Music Lover

Very Family Oriented Generous

Hard Worker Good Memory Dedicated Cookie

Monster Thoughtful

Caring Authentic Unconditionally Loving

Speaker of Truth

A Legend Faithful Trustworthy Kind Dapper

Bob the Dresser

Persistent Consistent Calm Inspirational

Humble Provider Cheerful

Protector Advisor Black Santa

God Send

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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