



Celebrating the Life of
Robert Sumter, Sr.

Sunrise
April 29, 1932

Sunset
September 20, 2021

Friday, October 1, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTH
JERSEY AT GARFIELD**

217-245 Passaic Street, Garfield, New Jersey
Calvin McKinney L.H.D., Pastor

Obituary

Robert Sumter was born April 29, 1932 in Hopkins, South Carolina, to the Late Francina (Jones) Sumter and Robert Sumter, Sr.

Robert was educated in the public schools of Richland County, South Carolina. He worked in the garment industry many years, before being employed by William Paterson University as a Custodian Engineer for over 25 years until his retirement.

Robert met and married the Late Alma (Parker) Sumter and together they raised six children.

Robert "Pops Sumter" was a member of Calvary Baptist Church of North Jersey at Garfield, Garfield, NJ, under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney. Even though he lost his eyesight and ability to walk, Robert never waived from listening to his Church's Sunday morning worship services on the computer. He also enjoyed bingo with friends. Robert was known to always have a good story to tell and he loved talking to people.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Alma Sumter, son, Steven Sumter, his parents, sisters, Willie Mae (Sumter) Brown, Wilhelmina (Sumter) Goodwin, Mary Sumter, Annie M. (Sumter) Mann, and brothers, James and Joseph Sumter.

Robert departed this life at home on Monday, September 20, 2021.

Robert leaves to cherish his memories; his children, Diane Pleasant of Lodi, NJ, Robert Jr. (Evelyn) Sumter, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, Ricardo (Yolanda) Sumter, Hackensack, NJ, Linda and Jackie Sumter, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ; his brothers, Leroy Sumter, Paterson, NJ, Roosevelt (Ann) Sumter, Columbia, SC, brother-in-law, Henry George (Sarah) Parker, Aiken, SC; sisters-in-law, Muriel Brown, Paterson, NJ, Francina Sumter, Paterson, NJ; five grandchildren: Shontell Pleasant, Garfield, NJ, Jemarr Sumter, Hawthorne, NJ, Aisha (Shawn) Artis, Prospect Park, NJ, Keyshanda, Cintrella Sumter, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, special friend/brother, Russell Maultsby and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends, as well as his Calvary Church Family.

The Order of Worship

Minister Gina McKinney ~ Presiding

Organ Prelude

Hymn of Comfort#10 “O How I Love Jesus”

The Written Word

Psalms 27

I Thessalonians 4:13-18

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn of Consolation#432. “I’ll Fly Away”

Acknowledgements

Words of Comfort

Selection

Reflections of Life

EulogyRev. Dr. Calvin McKinney

Recessional

Interment
Fair Lawn Cemetery
Fair Lawn, New Jersey



Carry On My Children

Carry on my children
And do not weep.
For today is not the end
But instead the beginning.
Carry on my children
You must be strong
For I am home with the Lord
And I am free from all that ails me.
Carry on my children
And keep my memory alive
Remember our laughter
And all the joys we shared.
So until we meet again
Carry on my dear children
For one day we will all be free

Acknowledgment

The family of the late **Robert Sumter, Sr.** wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.

May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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