

# Celebrating The Life of **Granville Willesley Roberts**

**March 20, 1931 - October 16, 2022**



# Service Information

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2022**

**Viewing: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM**

**Service: 10:00 AM**

## **ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES, LLC**

725 East Gun Hill Road • Bronx, NY 10467

**Rev. Wesley Daniel, Officiating**

*(Calvary United Methodist Church)*

## **Entombment**

Woodlawn Cemetery

Bronx, NY

## **Repast**

The family invites you to join them  
for a time of repast and fellowship at:

**Calvary United Methodist Church**

1885 University Ave • Bronx, NY 10453

## **Pallbearers**

Eric Roberts

Linroy West

Ryon Campbell

Donzel Young

Deshaun Roberts

Adrien Roberts

Armani Martin

# Order of Service

- Invocation .....Rev. Wesley Daniel
- Opening Hymn ..... “The Lord's My Shepherd”
- Scripture Readings:
- Old Testament - Psalm 34:18 ..... Tamika Roberts
- New Testament - Matthew 5:4 ..... Krystal Roberts
- Selection.....Ina Roberts
- Obituary .....Kayon Roberts-Afflick
- Hymn ..... “Great is Thy Faithfulness”
- Open Tributes .....2 minutes each please
- Selection..... Carleen Roberts-Wright
- Sermon ..... Rev. Wesley Daniel
- Prayer of Comfort ..... Rev. Wesley Daniel
- Benediction
- Final Viewing ..... Eternity Funeral Services Directors
- Recessional



# Obituary

**Granville Willesley Roberts**, affectionately known as Son, was born on March 20, 1931 in Johns Hall District, Portland, Jamaica. He was the eldest of four children born to Ida Paul and Thomas Roberts. Granville attended Johns Hall All Age School until the death of his father, when he decided to end his education and begin working to support his mother and siblings.

Granville had nine children, six with his wife, Thelma McFarlane, whom he married on December 28, 1966. In 1983, the family migrated to America and settled in the Bronx, New York. Granville was incredibly proud of his family and prioritized his role as a provider and active caregiver. He woke early to make breakfast for his children and ensured he was available to attend every doctor's appointment. As a proud grandfather, Granville frequently took his grandchildren to and from school. He even relocated to Jacksonville to care for two of his great-grandchildren. While Granville was not one to readily show emotions, he showed his love by actions.

As a young man, Granville worked as a farmer and District Constable in Jamaica, and a migrant farmer in the United States. After immigrating, he worked as a doorman on Riverside Drive in Manhattan until he retired. His primary hobbies were fishing and farming, but nothing exceeded his love of farming. He regularly planted vegetables at a local garden, and offered tips to anyone who asked. Granville enjoyed sharing stories about his youth and days as a farmer. He loved to entertain friends and family with his mischievous sense of humor. Granville was loved by many wherever he went, and was known in his South Bronx community as 'Shorty'.

Granville passed away on October 16, 2022. He is predeceased by his parents, siblings and son Wilford. He is survived by his wife, Thelma Roberts, nephew Loxley Roberts, children Ina, Carleen, Eric, Ena, Sheron, Joan, Paulette and Carol Roberts, 23 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

# The Lord's My Shepherd

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want,  
He makes me down to lie,  
In pastures green He leadeth me,  
The quiet waters by.

## Refrain

He lives, He lives, He lives,  
I know that my Redeemer lives!  
He lives, He lives,  
He lives within my heart!

My soul He doth restore again,  
And me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
Even for His own Name's sake. [Refrain]

Yea, thou I walk in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear none ill;  
For thou art with me and thy rod  
And staff me comfort still. [Refrain]

My table thou hast furnished,  
In presence of my foes,  
My head thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup overflows. [Refrain]

Goodness and mercy all my life,  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house for evermore  
My dwelling place shall be. [Refrain]







# Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain.

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]



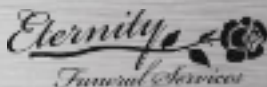


**Precious Memories**



## Acknowledgement

*The family of **Granville Willesley Roberts** acknowledges with great appreciation all acts of kindness, sympathy and love extended to us during this time of bereavement.*



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