

In Loving Memory of
Robert "Bob" Sheppard

SUNRISE: May 30, 1952 - SUNSET: May 11, 2023



Thursday, May 18, 2023 - 9:30am

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Obituary

Robert D. Sheppard, aged 70, passed away peacefully on May 11, 2023, at the Rockaway Care Center. He was born on May 30, 1952, at Harlem Hospital to the late Geneva Hawkins and Cyril O. Sheppard. He was known as “Bob” or “Bobby” to his family and friends.

Bob attended All Saints Catholic School. In the 1960s, he joined the 5 Percent Nation of Gods and Earths.

In 1974, Bob and Regina Saddler had a son named Ramel Sheppard. Later in life, he met his soon-to-be wife, Stephanie Ashe, and became a father figure to her daughter and two sons.

Bob also owned a successful night club in East Harlem for a period of time, where he was known as “Shep”. He was extremely talented in carpentry, artworks, and paintings. In his free time, Bobby enjoyed playing chess with elite players in Mt. Morris Park and other areas of Harlem.

Bobby is survived by: his three loving sisters, Deborah, Jean, and Helen; his son, Ramel Sr.; his grandchildren, Juhne, Ashanti, and Ramel Jr.; along with a great-granddaughter on the way; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. Robert D. Sheppard will be joining his two parents, his brother, Cyril Sheppard, and two nephews, Roberto Dehani Brown and Darkel Cooper. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

May Robert D. Sheppard's memory be a blessing to all who knew and loved him.

Psalm 34:18-19

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all.

Psalm 73:26-28

My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. Those who are far from you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful to you. But as for me, it is good to be near God.

Order of Service

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INTERMENT:
Mt. Rest Cemetery
Butler, New Jersey

Goodbye Poem

The time has come to say goodbye
We will try not to cry

It's been so hard to let you go
To be in heaven don't you know

But you did not go alone
Part of us went with you
The day God took you home

You will forever be in our hearts
Your memory will keep us from falling apart

You should hear the kind words people say
How you reached new heights, with your talented ways

I am so proud and blessed to get to say
That's my brother in every way

Thank you brother for all you've
For everything you showed us along the way

Now I want to say to you
How much we love and miss you, too

So rest in peace, big brother of mine
We'll see you again in due time.

Forever in my heart XOXOX

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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