



Dennis Jackie Robinson

October 28, 1948 - January 9, 2021

Dennis Jackie Robinson was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to the late Samuel Robinson, Jr. and Florence G. Robinson Mosby on October 28, 1948. He departed earth peacefully at his home Saturday morning, January 9, 2021, surrounded by his family, who prayed and sang him to his home with the Lord. He was also predeceased by his loving gift father, Deacon James Mosby, his brother Samuel “Colyan” Robinson, III, his sister Elder Elaine “Tootsie” Kershaw, and grandson Uzoma Nosiri.

Jackie graduated from Steelton High School, then served his country with distinction for 20-years in the Coast Guard, receiving numerous awards and commendations. He served two tours of duty in Viet Nam, during which time he received the Marine Corp Navy Bronze Star. Later in his career, Jackie became one of the Coast Guard’s first Black Drill Instructors. Following his military career, he returned to his hometown of Steelton, PA. Jackie had a love for learning, which brought him skills in a variety of areas. He freely used his gift of giving to people in the community through his handyman skills. He was lovingly called “the hardest working man in Steelton”. Everyone looked forward to eating his fried fish – there was none better on the earth. An avid fisherman, he also enjoyed hunting, gardening, and all things Philly. Although he was officially retired, Jackie worked at Opportunity Construction Company as Foreman of the Flagging Crew until his health began to fail.

Upon his return to Steelton, Jackie reunited with Monumental African Methodist Episcopal Church. At Monumental, he served on the Board of Trustees; sang in the Men's Chorus; worked with The Sons of Allen serving as Men's Day Chair in 2006 and 2010; was named the 2012 Unsung Hero, and participated in Harrisburg and First Episcopal District level activities. After joining in fellowship with Full Harvest Ministries, he served as a Choir member, Food Bank Ministry member, and bus driver. Jackie loved working in the church and found joy in using his skills and talents to serve his God and Church Family.

Jackie is loved by his devoted wife, Thomastine (Thommie) Leggett-Robinson, his mother, Florence G. Mosby, Steelton, PA, seven children – Sandy (Dexter) Henry, Fayetteville, GA Travis (Christina) Robinson-Brown, Magnolia, DE, Chukwuma (Lynne Carrell) Nosiri, Steelton, PA, Denisha (Charles) Robinson-Epps, Harrisburg, PA Curtis (Shirley) Thomas, Knoxville, TN, Ijeoma (Babington) Anyaele, Belleville, NJ, and Nnawuihe (Tonya) Nosiri, Columbus, OH, son-in-law, James Robertson, Sr., Harrisburg, PA. Thirteen siblings- Patricia Roberts, Las Vegas, NV, William Robinson, Albany, NY, Terry Robinson, Steelton, PA, Yvonne Harvey, Theresa Chisolm, James (Elouise) Mosby, Jr., Joyce Spivey, Caroline (Samuel) Selvey, Wayne (Denise) Mosby, Gail (Jairus) Hughes all of Harrisburg, PA; Elwood (Dale) Miller, New Rochelle, NY, Charles (Carmen) Mosby, Mitchellville, MD, and Leon (Dorothy) Mosby, Montgomery, AL. Twenty-two grandchildren: Nikita Stinson, Curtis Thomas, Jr., Elijah Thomas, Katana Nosiri, Liana Brown, Joshua Donaldson, Bowen Nosiri, Malcolm Robinson-Williams, Syanne Nosiri, Gage Thomas, James Robertson, Jr., Ikenna Anyaele, Nya Anderson, Lena Brown, Obina Anyaele, Sean Robinson-Williams, Ijeoma Anyaele, Malaya Thomas, Nevaeh Epps, Natasha Epps, Angel Ocasio, Natalya Epps, and three great-grandchildren: Taashaun Stinson, Nakyi Stinson, and Luckson Thomas. He is also loved by three gift sisters, Anita Leggett Briggs, Kansas City, MO, Margaret Leggett Tarver, Willingboro, NJ, and Carla Phinney, his close friend

Don Wansley of Harrisburg, PA, five earthly angels who were especially attentive during his hospitalization – Abigail Hauck, Alex Fisher, Alex Hauck, Marvirstine Fisher, three devoted nephews, Troy Robinson, Swanee, GA, Brandon Madden, Steelton, PA, Derrick Tarver, Philadelphia, PA, and a host of other relatives and friends.

“In Order to Reach Happiness on the Mountaintop, You Must First Endure the Pain in the Valley” – Dennis Jackie Robinson

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Outreach Ministries at Full Harvest Ministries, 1416 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg, PA 17103

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Cemetery Details

William Howard Day Cemetery

Lincoln and Carlisle Streets
Steelton, PA 17113

Previous Events

Flower Delivery

JAN 23. 8:30 AM (ET)

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Viewing

JAN 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ You will always be missed by me and the boys malcolm and sean. You have always been a great example of what a hard working man is and also how to humble yourself. I learned so much from you. I can't repay you for all that you have done for me within my life. I am truly blessed to be a small part of the family but truly blessed that you told me that i am important. You will always be a great grandfather and person and i will also remember the crochet blankets that you made and the stitches that i learned from you.



Nathaniel Williams - January 24, 2021 at 09:01 PM

KD

“ One of the most funniest and friendliest down to earth cousin/ brother/mentor a person would want to know."Scratch" gave me great memories growing up together. Miss you a lot already. You fought the good fight. Love you cuz.
Karl

Karl Dixon - January 23, 2021 at 02:31 PM

PR

“ To my Sister Tommie,, I am so proud of you the way the services for my Brother Jackie was put together. I am happy I was able to spend quite a bit of time with Jackie while I was home those six weeks. I miss talking to him on the phone even though he was getting out of breath. You just know I am here for you. Much love to you and the family,

Patricia D. Roberts - January 23, 2021 at 01:05 PM

LH

“ Although I did not have a lot of time with Mr. Jackie but the three times that I did meet him they were very memorable times listening to this eulogy says so much about him that shows the impact that he had on people in the state city that he live so being that he is my friend's father I cherish every moment that she was able to have with him and able to listen to these great memories and reflections that he had left on people rest easy Mr. Robinson

lita Home - January 23, 2021 at 12:24 PM

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“ Jackie was a good brother,a good friend, and just a good man.”
LOVE YOU MAN.
Elwood and FAMILY.

Elsworth J Miller(Elwood) - January 23, 2021 at 10:42 AM

SS

“ Mr Jack was a good man. We had a good relationship at work. He used to bring me catfish when it come back from down south. I will miss you. Condolences to the family.



SueAnn Shaffer - January 19, 2021 at 10:59 AM

RH

“ To all of family of Jackie Robinson, We share in the loss of your love one and we are praying for family. Prayerfully Submitted. The Roberts family

Rev. R. Mim Roberts Harvey - January 18, 2021 at 07:56 PM



“ *Denisha Robinson Epps lit a candle in memory of Dennis Jackie Robinson*



Denisha Robinson Epps - January 18, 2021 at 05:45 PM



“ *I know your watching over us you were a great father in law to me and all my kids loved their "PopPop" . Rest in paradise with the angels in heaven.*



Charles Epps - January 18, 2021 at 05:06 PM