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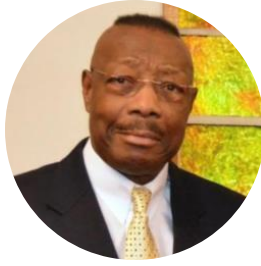
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Robert Eugene Lewis, Sr., affectionately known as "Punkin" to his family, was born on November 21, 1949, in Collinsville, MS, to the late Mr. James Robert Lewis and Mrs. Emma Virginia McDonald Lewis.

At an early age, Robert confessed his faith in Christ and united with the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Meridian, MS. He later united with the Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church in Collinsville, MS, where he served faithfully as a Deacon.

Robert received his academic education from the Lauderdale County and the Meridian Public School Districts. After graduating Middleton Attendance Center in 1969, he served his country proudly in the United States Army, where he was stationed in Nuremberg, Germany, and later in Augusta, GA.

He medically retired from the military at the rank of Sergeant.

After retiring from the US Army, Robert attended Meridian Junior College where he received a degree in Radiology Technology. This led him to become the first African-American X-Ray Technologist employed at Rush Hospital in Meridian, MS. He later worked at the United States Postal Service where he retired after many years.

Robert had a deep passion for basketball, which started at an early age and continued throughout his lifetime. Whenever he stepped onto the basketball court, it was all "business". Otherwise, he was loving, kind, and generous.

While at Meridian Junior College, Robert was a member of the men's basketball team and helped his team win many basketball games.

His first love was God, then family (especially his grandkids), church, basket-ball, and the University of Alabama football. He never met a stranger, and he willingly gave so much of himself to so many. In fact, Robert (along with his wife Molly) helped shape the lives of two of his nephews, JaMarquis and DeAndrae Odom.

Proverbs 18:22 states, "When a man finds a wife, he has found a treasure," and that's exactly what Robert found when on December 23, 1972, he united in holy



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matrimony to his forever love, Molly Lue Grace. To this union, two children were born, Natasha Lewis and Robert Lewis, Jr.

On Friday, May 24, 2024, God honorably discharged Robert E. Lewis, Sr. from his earthly duties.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Mrs. Oreatha Lewis Spencer; two brothers, Mr. Evans James Lewis and Mr. Ralph Lewis; father-in-law, R.C. Odom; mother-in-law, Bonnie Odom; and brother-in-law, Dennis Odom.

He leaves to cherish his memories his wife of 51 years, Molly; daughter, Natasha of Mobile, AL; son, Robert Jr. of Tuscaloosa, AL, grandchildren, Ori-enne and Omarr Lewis of Tuscaloosa AL; sister, Casandra (Lionel) Sloan of Meridian, MS; brother, Billy Lewis of Meridian, MS; sisters-in-law, Lee Ann Odom of Meridian, MS, and Debbie Odom of Atlanta, GA; brothers-in-law, James Odom of Atlanta, GA, and David Odom of Lauderdale County, MS; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.



Events

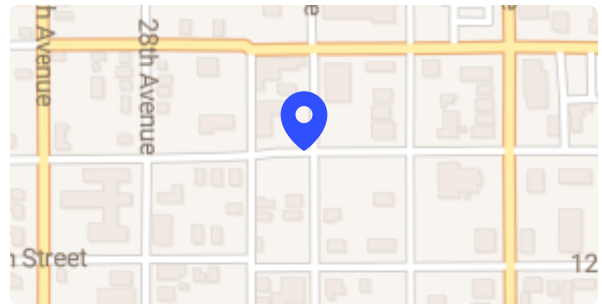
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Funeral Service

Saturday, June 1, 2024

2:00 PM CT

New Hope Baptist Church (13th Street, Meridian)
2614 13th Street, Meridian MS 39301



Burial

Saturday, June 1, 2024

3:30 PM CT

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery
Collinsville MS 39325



Cemetery Details

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Debbie Williams lit a candle in honor of Robert.

My deepest Condolences to The Family. May Robert Rest in Peace such a Great Guy with a caring heart. Peace, Comfort and Strength to the Family 🙏 Debbie Williams and Family

June 8 at 5:16 AM



Charles Houston posted:

Robert Lewis was a good guy, with a really good heart. A vietnam veteran who was inspiration in my own choice for military service. The earth will groan at the loss of this fine man. My heart is heavy. Rest well, sir, whoa

June 3 at 1:26 PM



Keith & Yolanda Emerson lit a candle in honor of Robert.

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June 1 at 10:43 AM



Teona Woods lit a candle in honor of Robert.

My condolences to the family it was a pleasure knowing you...Teona Woods Bess Al

June 1 at 12:41 AM



Jerelene Lewis posted:

Robert you always been a good friend and brother n law when see people you no you greet them with a smile and a handshake and leave them with a message from the Bible I will miss you my dear brother when see your brother tell him I love and miss him rest on Robert God got you now keep smiling.

May 29 at 10:22 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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