

## Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson

February 3, 1930 - July 8, 2018

Rev. J. R. Robinson, the last of Mr. Johnny Roberson and Mrs. Cora Roberson's ten children, was born February 3, 1930, in Stokes, North Carolina. He was reared in Stokes, North Carolina; Alexandria, Virginia; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and Brooklyn, New York. His experiences in these places had a positive, direct influence upon his thirst for knowledge, his love for people, and his strive for heaven.

Rev. Robinson had a thirst for knowledge. He graduated valedictorian of his high school class after much discussion concerning the spelling of his surname which his fifth grade teacher in Alexandria, Virginia changed. He attended and or studied at nine institutions of higher learning and received the following degrees: Master Barber Certificate in 1956 at Harris Barber College, four master degrees including B.A. in 1955, Saint Augustine's College, M.A. in 1963, North Carolina Central University, M.Ed. in 1972, University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, and three doctorate degrees including Ed.D in 1977, University of Houston, a doctorate in English, and a doctorate in linguistics.

Obtaining these degrees and being in the United States Army afforded Rev. Robinson an opportunity to meet and develop love for people. This love for people was most evident in his work ethics. He began teaching on the high school level in 1955, and he taught at two high schools. Rev. Robinson taught at five institutions of higher learning and he lectured to more than 31,200

students.

During his teaching career, Rev. Robinson conducted two workshops, directed the Elementary Secondary Education Act Title I three years, pastored three church congregations, and barbered six years.

Rev. Robinson's thirst for knowledge and his love for people have paid tremendous dividends, but neither can compare with his strive for heaven. He very frequently used the TERMS "Heaven minded and hell scared" and "Prayer meeting in hell is too late" both seriously and realistically. Rev. Robinson's primary aim is "to let nothing come between his soul and his savior" as he strived to live a righteous, clean, and sober life to be assured of spending eternity in heaven.

Left to cherish his memories are daughter, Reverend Mary Ann Crandall of Raleigh, NC; son, Marvin Robinson of Smithfield, NC; ten grandchildren, Tammy Alexander of Atlanta, GA, Veronica Jackson (Charles) of Alexandria, VA, Sherrie Peacock (Gerald) of Raleigh, NC, Sandra Mayo of Raleigh, NC, Sonya Judd of Portland, OR, Lamar Mayo (Camilla) of Bowie, MD, Kelvin Mayo (Felicia) of Pleasanton, CA, Carolyn Mayo of Raleigh, NC, Treshell Herndon of Raleigh, NC, Stephen Mayo (Mica) of Redwood, City CA; twenty-six great grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Pinelawn Cemetery

328 Cemetery Road  
Bethel, NC 27812

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. John Missionary Baptist Church Soul-Saving Center  
2921 Briery Swamp Road  
Stokes, NC 27884

## Service

JUL 14. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

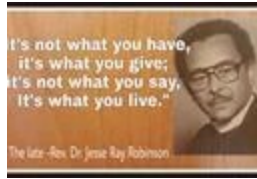


“ *Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Brenda Ewen** - February 07, 2022 at 09:59 PM



“ *"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."  
Professors like Dr. Robinson inspired me to study English further  
after Saint Augustine's College. Dr. Robinson was a consummate  
scholar and humble servant. May the Peace of God be with you.  
Booker T. Anthony.*

**Booker T Anthony** - August 03, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ *Glenda Evans lit a candle in memory of Rev.  
Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



**Glenda Evans** - July 15, 2018 at 09:44 PM

YJ

“ *Rev. Dr. Robinson was my first Pastor. He baptized me at Roberson Baptist Church in Robersonville, NC. Rev Robinson was also my Professor of English at St. Augustine’s College. He was indeed a man of God and a Scholar. My heartfelt prayers and deepest condolences goes to the Family. May you find peace, comfort, and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.*



*Yvonne W. Jones*

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**Yvonne W. Jones** - July 14, 2018 at 04:14 PM

LC

“ *Linda Carter lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



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**Linda Carter** - July 14, 2018 at 09:52 AM

JW

“ *Reverend Robinson - Man of God, a scholar and a gentleman.*

*What an inspiring role model! A fine example of love, friendship and kindness.*

*James & Dianne Wilson*

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**James & Dianne Wilson** - July 14, 2018 at 08:02 AM

KP

“ Kay Peele lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



Kay Peele - July 13, 2018 at 01:35 AM

PB

“ Pattye Brown lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



Pattye Brown - July 12, 2018 at 11:42 PM

PB

Our sincere condolences in your significant loss. Our prayers are with you!

Pattye Brown - July 12, 2018 at 11:46 PM

MC

“ Min Dora Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



min dora cox - July 12, 2018 at 03:08 AM

JB

“ Jeanette Bunn@Family lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



Jeanette Bunn@Family - July 11, 2018 at 11:33 PM

PW

“ Peggy D. Williams lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



Peggy D. Williams - July 11, 2018 at 03:52 PM

PB

“ Prince And Christian Brewington lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



Prince and Christian Brewington - July 10, 2018 at 09:59 PM

GE

“ Glenda Evans lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson



Glenda Evans - July 10, 2018 at 09:29 PM

VP

“ *Rev. Robinson was my pastor as a young person growing up in Robersonville, NC. I admired and respected him. His family has my deepest sympathy.*  
*Vickie Jackson Presley*

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**Vickie Jackson Presley** - July 10, 2018 at 07:34 PM

JS

“ *Jeffrey And Kimberly Stanley lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



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**Jeffrey and Kimberly Stanley** - July 10, 2018 at 02:56 PM

RW

“ *Regina Wade lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



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**Regina wade** - July 10, 2018 at 01:23 PM

TF

“ *Teresa Fleming lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



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**Teresa Fleming** - July 10, 2018 at 01:00 PM

MM

“ *Maria Marshall lit a candle in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



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**Maria Marshall** - July 10, 2018 at 07:41 AM

CS

“ *Congleton Funeral Home And Staff sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Dr. Jesse Ray Robinson*



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**Congleton Funeral Home and Staff** - July 09, 2018 at 10:43 AM