



Minister Robert Douglas Loftlin "Bobby"

January 11, 1972 - August 6, 2021

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Robert Douglas Loftlin was born January 11, 1972 to the late Walter J. Loftlin and Quandora Loftlin. He was the youngest of four children. Bobby, as he was lovingly called by most, "Booge, Lubster, Lubby, and Junior" were the pet names he was called by members of the family.

Robert was educated in the Philadelphia School District. He attended Roxborough High School where he proudly represented the Roxborough Indians as their mascot and player in both the football and baseball teams where he became known as Lubby.

Robert attended Thaddeus Stevens Vocational School for a year. There he learned to make and create furniture and shelving. He used those skills to make a memorial flag box for his father's military flag, presented to his family.

Robert worked at various financial institutions which led him to continue his education, earning a Masters Degree from Alameda University in Business Administration with a Major in Finance Distinction.

Robert grew up in a God loving and serving household. He attended Woodcrest United Church in Christ then transferred to Germantown Christian Assembly where he was baptized and became a member of various choirs. Robert used his smooth bass voice with the ability to hit various notes to allow his love of the Lord to shine through in song. He became a member of the Sunday School Board and served as Treasurer for several years. He was also part of the Drama Ministry where he developed his talent for acting. After leaving GCA, he joined Bethel Deliverance International Church and later transferred his membership to Bethel Camden where he was Deacon and Elder. He also used his anointed voice there as a part of the Praise and Worship Team. Upon moving to Florida, he and his wife worshiped at Change Lives Church where he served on the Praise and Worship Team.

Bobby met and married his best friend, Tamara James on September 4, 2015. Tamara's two sons, Julian and Corey adopted Bobby as their Dad, making him both honored and overjoyed because of the love and respect they showed him.

Bobby had many hobbies, collections and creations. Being an excellent baker, he enjoyed making specialty cakes for different occasions. Partnering with his mom, they perfected her signature cake recipe. On November 18, 2000, he participated in "Philly's Men Are Cookin 2000" in the Dessert Division.

Bobby had many hobbies, one was collecting various Nut Crackers for Christmas. However, his greatest hobby began in his childhood, and that was his love for Star Wars. He collected figurines and items from every phase. Tammy shared and supported his love of Star Wars, by entering and winning a contest. She surprised Bobby at their wedding with a special guest appearance from Darth Vader and the Storm Troopers. He was elated! Recently, he added Baby Yoda to the collection.

Bobby loved expressing his thoughts and feelings through words. This led him to write a play that was published as a book titled, "The Eve to Believe" in 2018.

On July 8, 2021, Robert was ordained as a Minister. He received his certificate and his first and final order of service was, to perform counseling and the wedding ceremony of his son, Corey to Chasity. This assignment was both a blessing and an honor for him.

Bobby was very meek, with few words to say but full of wisdom and knowledge, yet he had a unique sense of humor. He was known for coming up with nicknames and making them stick, especially for his wife, boys and nieces and nephews. He had a way of cracking jokes or saying something funny causing the room to fill with hard laughs while blaming someone else.

Our earthly loss is heaven's gain as Bobby reunites with his Grandparents, Dad, Uncles, Aunts, and oldest Brother, Jay.

Bobby leaves his memory, love, legacy and hand-picked names for all to cherish: his Wife, Best Friend, and Loving Partner in Crime, Tamara; Cherished Sons: Charod, Julian, Corey and Ahmad; Daughter-in-love, Chasity; Loving and Nurturing Mother, Quandora Loftlin; Sister, Renee Laws; Big Brothers: Christopher Loftlin and Phillip Laws, Sr.; Sister-in-love: Brianni Blue-Loftlin, Wanda Chapman- Loftlin, Michele Norris, Stephany Cain and Jeanna Barnes Brothers-in-love: Michael Barnes and Barry Norris; Nieces/Daughters: Quanda Neely and Shannon Loftlin and Charisse Laws; Brother/Nephew, Phillip Laws II; Godson/Nephew, Thomas Laws; Nephew-in-love, Salathiel Neely II; Great Nieces, Imani Loftlin and Amour Kittrell-Laws; his bonus family, The Kays; Spiritual Brothers and Sisters: Orville Palmer (Regina) and Christopher Hunter (Stacey), Apostle Alphonso Dashiell and Rich Hill; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, extended

family members, brothers and sisters in Christ, and the Forrest Avenue family.

Previous Events

A Virtual Celebration

SEP **24**. 7:00 PM (ET)

Zanders Memorial Chapel
232 W. Michael Gladden Blvd.
Apopka, FL 32703
(407) 886-3388

Tribute Wall



“ *Minister Robert Douglas Loftlin "Bobby"*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Bobby was truly a kindred spirit with a love for life, laughter, and our Heavenly Father! While his earthly presence will be sorely missed, his ministry, voice, humor and love for his family, friends and fellow man remains until we are reunited to forever sing God's praises together. Thank you for sharing Bobby with us today and God bless you for presenting such a heartwarming and touching tribute befitting the "Bob-Baaay!!" we know from the choirs from GCA and BBF in Philly...May the Lord continue to bless and keep you all during this most difficult time and always!*

- Sis. Delores and Renee Keels

Renee Keels - September 24, 2021 at 09:50 PM



BOBBY WAS A WELL RESPECTED & LOVED YOUNG MAN, DURING HIS TIME @ GCA! WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HIS LIGHT-HEARTED SPIRIT WHEN HE JOKED! MY HEART REACHES OUT TO HIS MOM, QUANDORA; PRAYING THAT SHE WILL FIND COMFORT IN KNOWING HE IS NOT ALONE, BUT HAS JOINED HIS BROTHER & HIS DAD ! GOD BLESS QUANDORA

CAROLYNANITA SMITH - October 01, 2021 at 11:56 PM



“ *Sincere condolences! - So sorry for your loss. - Gerri Wilder*

Geraldine Wilder - September 24, 2021 at 09:45 PM

JB

“ *My brother called me baby arms, rest in paradise brother. Jamilliah*

Jamilliah Brinkley - September 24, 2021 at 07:16 PM

DJ

“ *I enjoyed many years of Bobby being in my choir. He was very talented as a singer which gave me the pleasure of accompanying him on the piano as he sang solos. He had humorous ways of saying things that would make me laugh but he would not even crack a smile. I will miss Bobby but will always remember him in a very fond way and the love that he had for the things of the Lord. My condolance to Tammy, Quandora and the whole Loftlin family,*

Dorothy Jenkins - September 24, 2021 at 06:42 PM