

## WHEN TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME

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When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see;  
If the sun should rise and find your eyes,  
all filled with tears for me.

I wish you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,  
While thinking of the many things, we did not get to say.

I know how much you love me as much as I love you,  
Each time that you think of me, I know you will miss me too.  
But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand,  
That an Angel came and called my name,  
and took me by the hand.

The angel said my place was ready, in Heaven far above,  
And that I would have to leave behind, all those I dearly love.

But as I turned to walked away, a tear fell from my eye,  
For all my life, I'd always thought, I didn't want to die.

I had so much to live for, so much yet to do,  
It seemed almost impossible, that I was leaving you.  
I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad,  
I thought of all the love we shared, and all the fun we had.

If I could relive yesterday, just even for awhile,  
I'd say goodbye and kiss you and maybe see you smile.

But then I fully realized, that this could never be,  
for emptiness and memories, would take the place of me.

And when I thought of worldly things  
I might miss come tomorrow,

I thought of you, and when I did, my heart was filled with sorrow.

But when I walked through Heaven's gates,  
I felt so much at home

When God looked down and smiled at me  
From His golden throne, He said, "This is Eternity  
and all I promised you; today for life on earth is past,  
but here, it starts anew

I promise no tomorrow but today will always last,  
and since each day's the same way

There is no longing for the past.

"But you have been so faithful, so trusting and so true.

Though there were times you did some things  
you knew you shouldn't do.

But you have been forgiven and now at last you're free.

So won't you take My hand and share My life with me?"

So when tomorrow starts without me,  
don't think we're apart, for every time you think of me,  
I'm right here in your heart.

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Daryl Sutton, Jr.  
Cortez Roberts, Sr.  
Jaylen Houston

Deondre Sutton  
Dominique Roberts  
Roman Roberts

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Cortez Roberts, Jr.  
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Savion Robinson  
Quenton Herring

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Friends of the Family

## THE SERVICE OF COMMITTAL & INTERMENT

Oakland Cemetery \* Tallahassee, Florida

## REPAST

Lincoln Neighborhood Center

438 West Brevard Street \* Tallahassee, Florida 32301

## THE FAMILY'S MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE

We, the family of *Lawrence Alphonso "Al" Roberts, Sr.* expresses our sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness and sympathy given during this period of bereavement. May blessings of heaven shower you with peace, love and good health. We extend special appreciation to John, Nelson, Ben, Bruce, Richard, "Greasy" and the Chief of Police (Havana); you each played a special role in our father's life every day. The friendships that were built have not gone unnoticed, and we deeply thank you for stepping in and filling the gap when we could not be near. Your care and support mean more than words can express. May God bless and keep each of you in His care.

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*Brother*

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Sunrise: July 10, 1942 – Sunset: December 1, 2025

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QUINCY, FLORIDA

## REFLECTIONS OF LIFE

**LAWRENCE ALPHONSO “AL” ROBERTS, SR.** was born on July 10, 1942, in Tallahassee, Florida to West Roberts and Mary L. Paul. **LAWRENCE** was preceded in death by his wife: Barbara Jean Henderson Roberts; daughter: Sheila Roberts; both parents; and three brothers: James Roberts, Peter Roberts and Ralph Roberts.

**LAWRENCE** was educated during his formative years at Old Lincoln High School, Tallahassee, Florida. **LAWRENCE** was the owner and founder of Al’s Lawn Service in Tallahassee, Florida.

**LAWRENCE** was baptized at an early age in 1966 at Saint Peter Primitive Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Florida. He enjoyed working, traveling, and spending time with family and friends.

**LAWRENCE** was a devoted husband to his wife, Barbara Jean Henderson Roberts. Their union began in 1967, and four children were born during this union: one son, Lawrence A. Roberts, Jr., and three daughters, Glenda A. Roberts (Quenton), LaSonja Roberts (James) Houston and Sheila Roberts.

On Monday, December 1, 2025, God Almighty summoned **LAWRENCE ALPHONSO “AL” ROBERTS, SR.** Home for his eternal rest. His love and legacy will be cherished forever in the hearts of his **son**: Lawrence A. Roberts, Jr.; **two daughters**: Glenda A. (Quenton) Roberts and LaSonja Roberts (James) Houston; **six grandsons**: Daryl Sutton, Jr., Deondre (Jasmine) Sutton, Cortez Roberts, Sr, Dominique Roberts, Jaylen Houston, and Roman Roberts; **three granddaughters**: Laquisha Sutton, Lauryn Roberts (Tyler) Boggs, and Logan Roberts; **thirty great-grandchildren**; **one great-great granddaughter**: Sakira Thompson; **one great-great grandson**: Kino Thompson, Jr.; **one sister**: Geraldine McQueen; **one brother-in-law**: Willie J. Henderson; **two sisters-in-law**: Dorothy H. Waiters and Pauline H. Brown; **beloved goddaughter**: Samantha (Karis) Shear; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other family members and loving friends.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude..... The *Tillman* Gospel Chorale

Processional..... Officiant, Clergy, Officers & Family

The Parting Glance & Seating of Family..... The *Tillman* Staff

Devotion..... Deacon John Evans

Selection..... Chorale

### HOLY SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Old Testament ..... Pastor Vernon Larkins

New Testament..... Evangelist Patricia Brown

The Family Prayer..... Pastor Vernon Larkins

Solo..... Brother Dontae Moore

### REFLECTIONS & TRIBUTES:

As A Friend ..... Open

As A Grandfather ..... Brother Jaylen Houston  
& Grandchildren

As A Father ..... Sister Antenette Brown

Solo..... Elder Marvin Simmons, Sr.

Resolutions & Acknowledgements..... The *Tillman* Staff

Selection..... Chorale

**WORDS OF COMFORT** ..... Elder Gregory Houston

Recessional..... Clergy, Family & Friends

