In Loving Memory of Our Wonderful Uncle

Of all the special gifts in life, However great or small, To have you as our uncle Was the greatest gift of all.

May the winds of love Blow softly, and whisper In your ear... "We love and miss you uncle And we wish that you were here."

Deep in our hearts, your life is kept To love and cherish; Not forget! No more tomorrows, we can share But yesterdays are always there.

A silent thought, a secret tear keeps your memory ever near. "In Our Hearts FOREVER!"

-Written & Submitted by Adonnis Edwards, (Niece)

"I Am Free"

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took His hand when I heard Him call, I took His hand and left it all. I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks undone must stay that way, I've found that peace in the close of day, If parting has left a void,

Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah, yes, these things I too will miss, Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish for you, the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much, Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all to brief, Don't lengthen it, now, with

undue grief. Lift up your hearts and share with me, God wanted me now; He set me free.

-Shannon Lee Moseley

.ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of **Robert Earl Holmes** would like to express our heartfelt love and appreciation for all the acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement.

We have been overwhelmingly supported by your comforting messages, calls, cards, flowers, and most of all, your prayers. There is no way to adequately Thank You

For All You've Done, but Be Assured, The Lord Will Not Forget Your Labor Of Love!!



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF ...



SUNSET FEBRUARY 28, 2024

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<u>Sunrise:</u> Robert Earl Holmes was born on January 6,1956 in Chicago, Illinois. He was the seventh of nine children born to Annie Lee and Robert Holmes.

Robert attended Kellar Junior High in Robbins, IL and Eisenhower High School in Blue Island where he graduated in 1974. During his High School years, he displayed an outstanding ability to draw and won several awards.

Although Robert was raised in a godly home with wholesome family values, shown a great deal of Love, taught to have a reverential fear and honor for God, and to respect himself and others, he never understood, fully, the plan of salvation until 2022 when he joined Abounding Life COGIC, and made an open confession and commitment to follow Jesus, as Lord of his life. Thank God!

Robert remained in Robbins until adulthood, but lived for the last 25 years in Chicago. He was an avid fisherman, loved nature, gardening, and watching things grow. He thoroughly enjoyed helping, yearly, with the Community Garden in his neighborhood. He LOVED Living in Chicago where he could "Get around more freely" he said, and take part in All of "the Happenings"! He absolutely was a "Free Spirit" who loved meeting New People and Interacting with them. For example, he unknowingly caught the attention of a foreign journalist who, after observing him on the beach for a while, found his Care-free manner "So Very Interesting", that she chose to interview him and wrote a lengthy article about his Lifestyle. He was "never lost for words or stories" during family gatherings either!

Sunset: On February 27, 2024, Robert made his transition after a year of "Fighting the Good Fight of Faith" against various physical conditions. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Annie Lee Holmes, and six of his siblings;(3 brothers) Eddie V. Williams, Edward L. Holmes, and Ellis Ray Holmes; (his 3 sisters) Barbara Ann Holmes, Roma Lee Foreman, and Nevada Shirley.

Robert leaves to cherish his memories: two brothers, Johnny (Marion) Holmes, and Larry Holmes; 3 special friends: Deniece Karr, Karen (Kay) Ousley, and Sherman Brown; 1 beloved aunt: Rosa Carter, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

This is in Memory of Robert Earl Holmes, also known by his friends from the Lake Park Area as **"Rob Sconí, the One and Only!"**

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Friday, March 8, 2024 Wake: 2:00 p.m. | Homegoing Celebration: 2:30 p.m. **Nabors Family Funeral Home** 470 West 172nd Street Thornton, IL 60476

Family Processional
Master of CeremonyJohnny Holmes II
Congregational Song"I've Got A New Home"
Proverbs 3: 5 – 8 & 1 Thessalonians 4:13 –18Roma Holmes
PrayerVincent Holmes
Special RemarksMother Gloria Parker
SoloMarion Holmes
Acknowledgements & ResolutionsBridget Willis
Obituary ("His Story")Krystal (Holmes) Aziz
SelectionMiriam Bates & Tiffany Campbell
Reflections/Remarks(2 Minutes Please)Friends & Family
Sermonic Selection"Will You Be Ready?"Johnny & Jeremy Holmes
Eulogy(Brother), Johnny Holmes Sr.
Benediction
Parting View
Recessional

Repast Following: Martha's Vineyard 17135 S. Canal South Holland, IL

Private Interment

The Good News of the Gospel

John (Chapter 3, verses 16 and 17)

16) For God loved the world so much that He gave his one and only Son (Jesus), so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but will have eternal life.
17) God did not send His Son into the world to judge (or condemn) it, but that the world through Him (Jesus), might be saved.

Romans (Chapter 10: verses 9 and 10)

9) If you acknowledge and confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord, and in your heart believe that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.
10) For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.
~Submitted by Marion Holmes