

"Thank You"

*If you sent a card, or said a prayer, We Thank You.
If you prepared food or sang a song, We Thank You.
If you drove a car, sent flowers or just said you care,*

We Thank You!

*We thank the staff at Highland House Nursing Home and
Rehabilitation, the staff and ER doctors at Cape Fear Valley
Medical Center and especially Dr. Ifeyinwa Okonkwo.*

- The Grooms Family

Flower Ladies

Friends of the Family

Honorary Flower Ladies

American Legion Auxiliary

Pallbearers

United States Army
Honor Guard

Honorary Pallbearers

American Legion Post 202
Legionnaires



To My Love Ones and Family,

When tomorrow starts without me,
and I am not there to see,
If the sun should rise and find your eyes,
all filled with tears for me.
I wish so much you wouldn't cry,
the way you did today.
While thinking of the many things
we didn't get to say.
Don't think we're far apart
for every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.

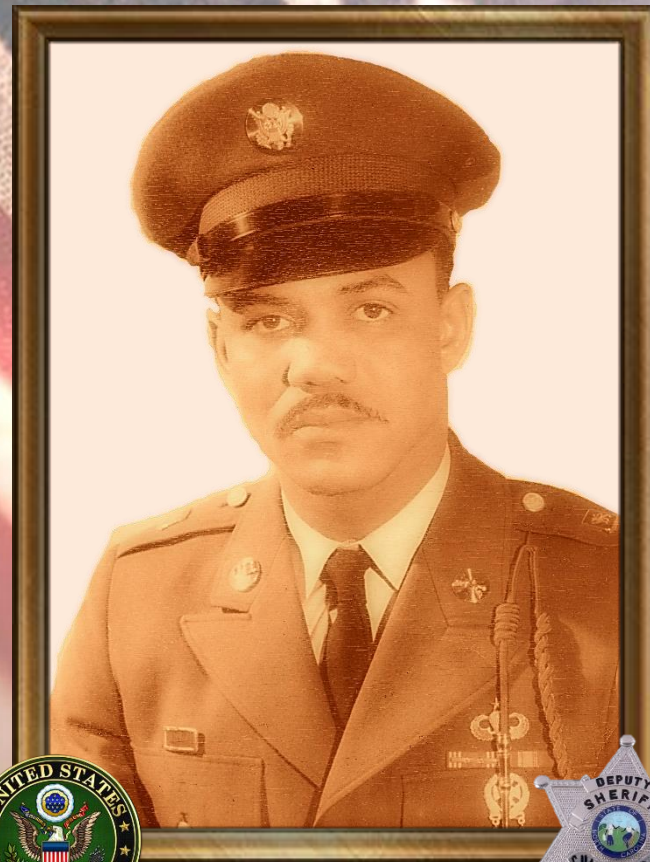
Sgt. Robert Allen Grooms



Services Entrusted To:

Rogers and Breece Funeral Home 500 Ramsey Street Fayetteville, NC 28301

In Honor and Memory



Retired Staff Sgt.

Robert Allen Grooms

March 4, 1931 – March 8, 2018

Funeral Service
with Full Military Honors
11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 17, 2018
Rogers and Breece Funeral Home Chapel

Processional

Music Selection **Choir**

Scripture Readings
Dr. Lillian Spearman
Evangelist Minnie Bennett
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort **Bishop Sanford McDaniel**

Music Selection **Choir**

Remarks **Family & Friends**

Obituary **Ms. Pearl Warren**

Soloist **Larry Chason**

Pre-Message Selection **Choir**

Eulogy **Bishop Leon Elliott**

Morticians Brief **Rogers & Breece Funeral Home**

Music Selection **Choir**

Recessional

Interment will follow
Cumberland Memorial Gardens Cemetery
4509 Raeford Road Fayetteville, NC 28304

** Repast will follow the Interment at*
Second Chance Christian Fellowship Church 5238 Delco Street Fayetteville, NC 28304

Obituary

Sergeant Robert Allen Grooms departed his life on March 8, 2018 at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. He was born to Raymond and Arlene Davis Grooms on March 4, 1931 in Republic, PA.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond and Arlene Grooms; his siblings, Raymond, Clarence, Emma, Richard, Arlene and Eugene; a son, Calvin Grooms; and a daughter, Annie Grooms.

Left to cherish his memory is his companion, Clyda Bryant of the home; sons, Robert Grooms, Jr. of Warren, OH and Robert S. Grooms (Sherry) of Fayetteville; a daughter, Sharon Grooms (Charles Park) of Durham; two foster children, Roscoe Hotten (Shirley) and Pamela Robinson, both of Fayetteville; grandchildren, Errol McCauley, Jr and Jerrell Hendricks; siblings, Ronald Grooms (Mary) of Fayetteville, Ralph Grooms (Virginia) of Albuquerque, NM, Betty White of Uniontown, PA, Edward Grooms (Mary) of Detroit, MI, Ann McWilliams of Cleveland, OH, Victory Hogan of Kokomo, IN, Linda Thorpe of Raleigh, Sharon Wadlington of Indianapolis, IN and Carver Grooms (Rita) of Riverside, OH; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was baptized at an early age and was member of Mount Ararat Baptist Church in Cordale, PA.

Sgt. Grooms also served 20 years in the US Army as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airbourne until his retirement. He then dedicated another 20 years to the Cumberland County Sheriff Department, and was the first black officer assigned to the Motorcycle squad. After retiring from the force, he continued to be to be active in helping others as a bagger at the Ft. Bragg Commissary until his health declined.

Sgt. Grooms was a lifetime member of the American Legion Post 202 of Fayetteville and a lifetime member of the VFW Post 6018 of Fayetteville. In his early years he was a member of the Magnificent 7+ Motorcycle Club of Fayetteville.

There was never a dull moment for Sgt. Robert Grooms and he was happy and loved having fun with his Senior Swing Dance Class, despite being the oldest member.