#### I Am Free

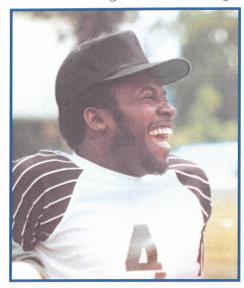
Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took His hand when I heard Him call. I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. I found that peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship share, a laugh, a kiss Ah yes, these things I too, will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow. I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I've savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

### Acknowledgements

The Family gratefully appreciates the many kind expressions of sympathy, condolences, and flowers. The Family would like to give a Special Thanks to: Bishop & Evg. Bailey, Alonzo Chadwick, Michelle Lee-Brazile, John Lee Jr., John Lee Sr., Andre Billingsly, Elder C. Gay, Matt Hayes and the Roper Family.

To leave the family personal messages of condolence, please visit Robert's online guestbook at terryfamilyfuneralhome.com

## In Loving Memory



# Robert Rowden Sr.

Sunrise August 20, 1947 Sunset
March 2,2020

### Celebration of Life

Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 11:00am King's Temple Christian Center 4744 NE 15th Avenue



Robert Lee Rowden Sr. "Grasshopper", was born August 20, 1947 to Leo Morrison and Ada Mae Rowden in Mer Rouge, Louisiana. Robert was the oldest child of four sisters and three brothers. He peacefully departed this life March 2, 2020, surrounded by his family.

Robert came to Portland, Oregon at an early age, where he attended Boise Elliot Grade School and graduated from Jefferson High School, with high honors in track and field. In 1966, right out of high school, he was drafted into the US Army. He served his Country for six years, before being honorably discharged in 1972.

Robert met his first wife Brenda Jordan in 1970, just prior to discharging from the US ARMY in Killeen, Texas. Shortly thereafter they packed up his old FORD and headed back to Portland, Oregon with Tressa Stewart, the first child he ever called his own. After arriving in Portland, they were blessed with their first born, Revonda Rowden and their only son Robert Rowden Jr.; He then met Dorothy Stephens and they were blessed with only daughter, Luschana Rowden. Robert married his second wife Patricia Baker, whom they were blessed with two children, Isaac Rowden Sr. and Lisa Rowden-Clayton.

Robert worked many job's throughout his life, but the one job he took great pride in and did best was being Our Father. He loved his family very deeply, he also loved bowling, playing Domino's, and spending time with his family and friends. We will miss him greatly, but we know he is now resting peacefully in the arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo Morrison and Ada Mae Rowden, Sister Cherie Roscoe, Brothers Leo Morrison, Leon Morrison, Jerry Lee and beloved friend Bernadine Johnson.

Robert leaves to adore his memories, Six kids Tressa Stewart, Revonda Rowden, Robert Rowden Jr., Luschana Rowden, Isaac Rowden Sr., Lisa Rowden-Clayton; twenty-five grandkids, three great grandkids, four Sisters Tina Byrd, Surella

Tracy, Margie Gordon, Karla Escobar, a host of nieces, nephews and many other family and friends.

### Order of Service

Musical Prelude Processional

Opening Prayer Elder C. Gay Solo "Precious Lord" Michelle Lee-Brazile

Scripture Reading John 14:26-27 Pastor John Lee Sr.

Reading of Eulogy Evg. Bailey Solo "I Really Miss You" Alonzo Chadwick

Expressions (3 minutes please) Family

Video Tribute

Loved Ones (2 minutes please)

Cards Evg. Bailey

Solo "I Can Only Imagine" Alonzo Chadwick

Closing Prayer Bishop Bailey Pastor or Music Final Respects

Special Presentation "Take Me to the King"

#### Honorary Pallbearers **Pallbearers**

Isaac Rowden Sr. Isaac Rowden Jr. Robert Rowden Jr. Christopher Holmes Ir. Revonda Rowden Claude Jeter Azjani Rowden Dakota Glenn Jordan Polk Omaree Banks Tim Clayton Jr. Austin Cuicchi Gabriel Minnieweather Joshua Minnieweather

> Procession with Military Honors and Special Presentation following church service

> > Willamette National Cemetery 11800 SE Mt. Scott Blvd. Happy Valley, OR 97086



Church Organist

Clergy & Family

Designed by John Lee Jr.









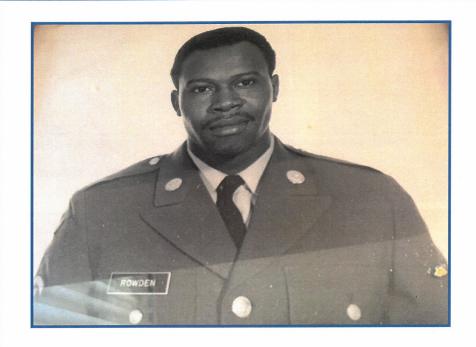












That man is a success—
Who leaves the world,
Better than he found it;
Who has never lacked appreciation,
Of earth's beauty or failed to express it;
Who looked for the best in others,
And gave the best he had.