## **Acknowledgements**

With hearts of gratitude, the family of Henry Oliver Royal would like to thank each of you for every kind word and thoughtful act that you performed on our behalf to lighten our burden and bring us comfort during this time. God bless each of you.

The Family

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# Celebrating the Life of Henry Oliver Royal, Jr.

Sunrise February 4, 1954



Sunset July 22, 2020

Monday, July 27, 2020 11:00 AM Roseboro Cemetery Roseboro, North Carolina 28382

**Reverend John Mark Melvin, Officiating** 

# **Obituary**

Henry Oliver Royal, Jr. the son of the late Henry Sr. and Louis Royal was born, February 4, 1954 in Sampson County and departed this life on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at his home.

Henry completed his high school education at Lakewood High School in 1972. As a youth, "Junior" as he was affectionately called, was a basketball standout. "Junior" earned a basket ball scholarship to Winston-Salem State University where he played under the coaching of the legendary, Clarence, "Big House" Gaines.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Priscilla and Sharon Royal and the Reverend Annie Wallace.

Left to cherish his precious memories are: one daughter, Ninette Nichelle Roberts, Fayetteville, NC; sister, Esther Howard (Billy Ray), two brothers, Retired SGM Charles E. Royal, and Aundra Royal (Carolyn), all from Roseboro, NC.

He also leaves two grandchildren Roderick and Nia Roberts; two uncles Ester Royal and Lewis Graham; and three aunts Annie Bell McLaurin, Mary Henry, and Ardessa Lewis; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: 2 Timothy4: 7

### Order of Service

Opening Song Tonya Royal

Scriptures:

Old Testament Bro. Jerry Melvin
New Testament Rev. Gilbert Owens

**Prayer of Comfort** 

Reflections

Solo Tonya Royal

Eulogy Rev. John M. Melvin

Committal

**Closing Prayer** 

#### Home

I have seen all I care to see
Of this world it has no more for me
I need the call for giving peace
That only comes from my family

I wanna go home
I wanna go home
I'm following the lead of the setting sun
And I'm going back where I came from

Like a old old tree, that no longer grows
As time went by I got hollow
If you don't know when to stay
If you don't know when to go
Then you might be building your own
gallows

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By Aaron Wright