



Bobby Ray Crayton

June 21, 1952 - July 5, 2018

Bobby Ray Crayton was called to be with our Heavenly Father on Thursday, July 5, 2018. He was known to his family and friends as Uncle Bob, Little Bobby, and the infamous “C.E.O. of Booker T. Washington Projects.” He was born June 21, 1952 in Austin, Texas along with his twin baby sister, Lena May Crayton (Mercer). His mother Sis. Stella Crayton (known to many as Mother and Maw Maw) preceded him in death along with his beloved brother Deacon Claude “Sugarman” Crayton; his aunts Mattie and Lena Elgin, Rosie L. Reed, and uncle James Elgin.

He is survived by his children: Regina “Chee Chee” Bailey, Jermaine Brown, Janarius Caro, Terrance, Steven, and Laron Limuel. His five sisters: Lena Mercer, Violet Smith, Mary Burton, Clara Cobble from Austin, Texas and Zora Walker of Las Vegas, Nevada. Two brothers: Pastor Arvy Crayton (Alma) and Ernest Crayton, Sr. His step-sister, Gwen Williams and step-brother, Lawrence Piper; and ex-wife, Betty Green (Jones) all from Austin, Texas. He also leaves behind a host of nieces and nephews in which he truly adored and held very special bonds; other relatives and friends from all over the country.

Bobby attended Austin public schools: Austin High School and “Old Anderson” High School. After he graduated, he went on to attend Blinn College. He worked at Giddings State School, Austin State School, and the Austin ISD for many years.

Bobby started his Christian journey at an early age. He was baptized by Pastor Robert Lee at First Baptist Church. He later united with Pastor Eulon

Brown, Sr. from Loyalty Baptist Church. He had a loving and strong Mother to help spiritually guide him, Sis. Stella Crayton before her death.

Every Sunday morning, Bobby would put on his Sunday Best and head for church. He loved spreading the good news to others through his prolific Christian letters he wrote and gave to others. He would make a stop at Walnut Hills Nursing home before he went on to New Light Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church where Reverend Frank Cage, Sr. serves as Pastor. You could always find Bobby in the congregation stomping his feet and witnessing to the choir and the Word from the Lord. He also worshipped at Unity Hill Baptist Church with his brother, Pastor Arvy Crayton. When Bobby walked into the church, you always knew his presence was there by his actions because he came to praise the Lord. Bobby studied the Bible. He loved the Lord and was not ashamed to testify about the good news.

We will miss his happy spirit. He will be in our hearts forever. May his soul rest in peace.

Previous Events

Public Visitation

JUL **19.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

King-Tears Mortuary
1300 E 12th St
Austin, TX 78702
(512) 476-9128

Celebration Service

JUL **20.** 11:00 AM (CT)

New Light Ebenezer Baptist Church
4703 Reyes Street
Austin, TX 78721

Tribute Wall



“ *Bobby Ray Crayton*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *My deepest condolence to the Crayton family. May the Lord bless & keep your family strong during this time of loss. Bobby was a classmate & we enjoyed some good times during our lifetime. Although, we had not seen each other in a few years, he was always the same good man when we did. He was a lot of fun & loved to dance. Our prayers are with you.*

*Evelyn Williams & family
Class of 1971 L.C.Anderson High*

Evelyn Williams - July 19, 2018 at 11:07 AM



“ *Donna Alexander lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ray Crayton*



Donna Alexander - July 18, 2018 at 11:40 AM



“ *RIP Bob, God Bless the Family with strength and love, you always had conversation about something and made it interesting to here, you were one of a kind we've always been a part of the family.*

Beverly F Johnson - July 17, 2018 at 08:57 AM

JJ

“ Hello Crayton Family; This is Juanita Mc Neil Johnson and Family giving Y'all our deepest sympathy. We all lived in Booker T Washington Projects together and Bob was the best of friends with us as well as your family . He was the kindest, funniest , down-to earth person . Edna and I loved hanging out with him . "Everybody Loved Them Some Bob." !!!!!!! May He Rest In Peace!!!!!!" So I say to everyone, God's Blessings!!!!!!

Juanita Johnson - July 16, 2018 at 03:08 PM



“ Sending Love to the family. Love you Bobby. Rubena Burditt. Latonia Moore. Keitha McKinney. Larry Wright.. All us and more from Goodrich Apts. We going miss you.



Sherry Burditt - July 15, 2018 at 07:43 PM

FE

“ RIP BOB YOU WILL BE MISSED YOUR FRIENDS FROM TRAVIS STATE SCHOOL FRIEDA EAGAN

frieda a eagan - July 15, 2018 at 12:28 PM

“*My Uncle Bob was the undeniable epitome of a fun and witty personality, strong character and spiritually driven nature. Throughout my childhood and adulthood, he was always present, encouraging and motivating me (while talking extremely loud on the phone) to not give up. Throughout his jokingly demeanor, there was a serious side of Uncle. He was versatile in human character and charisma. Uncle Bob was the type of person who can hold a conversation like a college professor and also give you the business like someone down to earth around the block.*

I can truly say that I gave my Uncle his flowers when he was living.

One of the most memorable experiences with him was when my Mom and I brought him over for Christmas. Out of all the gifts we got him, he was super excited over HOUSE SHOES!

He quickly discarded his current shoes and put his new house shoes on and danced around the house!

Another moment was when I ran into him while volunteering for the Feast of Sharing event at the Palmer Events Center. He brought life into that building and made everything just worth while. Uncle Bob loved helping people.

What I adore about my Uncle is that he was not ashamed to call you out and tell EVERYONE that you are his niece, nephew, sister, brother, relative or good friend.

I can elaborate so much about my Uncle.

I will always be proud to be one of his nieces.

The Bible says, "For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline," (2 Timothy 1:7).

Uncle Bob took time to spread God's word.

It is amazing how God blessed Uncle Bob with the gift of making people feel happy and good all around.

In closing, our Uncle Bob has a new pair of wings now, he does not have to worry about sickness no more. He is covered by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ in which he can now praise and do the holy dance in the Heavens.

Love you always Uncle Bob!

Leah



Leah Mercer - July 13, 2018 at 09:23 PM

JD

“*Sorry to hear of Bobby's death and he will be missed. Bobby worked at the Giddings State School with my Mom, Hallie Dibble and she thought the world of him and always felt secure when he worked security. Big Heart, Big Smile and Big Hug whenever we would see each other. The family will be kept in my thoughts and prayers.*

Joyce Dibble-Elam

Joyce Dibble-Elam - July 13, 2018 at 04:31 PM

SC

“*I'm going to miss you Bobby so much your Son also going to miss you as well, he said he is going to keep going finish school just like you he is going to walk the stage when he graduate from high school and college he wants to do it for his dad you want ever be a memory Bobby you will live on through our son he jokes like you he has a heart like you it's as if you never left thank you for all you've done for us we love you Bobby forever in a day fly high baby boy fly high 💕💕💕💕💕💕 rest with the best our heavenly father.*

Shamika Caro - July 13, 2018 at 10:15 AM

FS

“ *Fennis & Mae Kathryn Scott lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ray Crayton*



Fennis & Mae Kathryn Scott - July 12, 2018 at 06:36 AM

DE

“ *The family has my sympathy and condolences always in my thoughts and prayers*
Dennis VanBrakle



Dennis - July 11, 2018 at 09:13 PM

GD

“ *Love you Regina Bailey aka Chee Chee praying for you and family!!*

Gertrude Davis - July 11, 2018 at 11:01 AM

LH

“ *Linda Hill lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ray Crayton*



Linda Hill - July 10, 2018 at 03:55 PM

JM

“ Joyce Monroe lit a candle in memory of Bobby Ray Crayton



Joyce Monroe - July 09, 2018 at 11:52 PM

JM

“ MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF BOB CRAYTON, BOB WAS A VERY BEAUTIFUL PERSON WITH A OUT GOING ATTITUDE NEVER MET A STRANGER WAS A FRIEND TO EVERYONE WE WORKED TOGETHER AT THE STATE SCHOOL AND THE HOME HE WORKED ON THOSEGUYS LOVED HIM TO DEATH AND EVEN IF SOME OF THEM HAD BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS BOB KEPT THEM IN LINE SO BOB I KNOW YOU'RE IN HEAVEN WITH OUR FATHER AND YOU'RE TAKING CARE OF THINGS UP THERE SO RIP AND KNOW THAT YOU WILL BE MISSED, MUCH LOVE TO AND FOR YOU ALWAYS

Joyce Monroe - July 09, 2018 at 11:51 PM

PD

“ Bob my friend thanks for being my friend!!! We played football & basketball together for many many years. From the time I was a lil boy in Booker T. Project until my high school years & beyond. I loved you like a big brother & always will. Your family & mine & friends for many years we were & still one big family. I'll miss you calling my name everytime we seen each other after me being gone from Austin & returning to see family & friends. I know are in Jesus arms right now & he's saying rest my child rest. Until I return to the earth & that you will see everyone that u love & was apart of your life & their. I love you until then God bless!!! Pastor Ron Dawson aka Big G. 🧡💙

Pastor Ron Dawson - July 08, 2018 at 04:45 PM