



## Robert A. Thompson

August 14, 1963 - September 18, 2023

### The Well Lived Life of Robert A. Thompson

Robert Aaron Thompson was born on August 14, 1963, in the city of Chester, the baby boy of Jeanette Thompson and John Thompson, Sr. In the morning hours of September 18, 2023, the trumpet did sound, and Robert answered the call welcoming him to his heavenly home.

Robert was educated and matriculated through The Elwyn Institute, where he mastered and excelled the curriculum.

If you knew Robert, you know that Robert loved to work. He was a dedicated employee at every job he's ever held; never being late or missing work if possible. He held positions with The Chester Care Center, The Salvation Army, Delaware County Court System and more. The job that he's best known for, spending 20 years in their employee was Aramark Food Services at Widener University. Robert's infectious way made an impact not only on his beloved coworkers, but faculty and students alike.

Robert's cheerful disposition, sense of humor, photographic memory, and love of talking to folks along the way, during his famous walks, truly made him Chester's 2nd Mayor and hometown celebrity. Whether he stopped in City Hall to check in with the Mayor and staff to make sure the city was running

correctly, stopping in the shops “overtown” to hold court, rapping to the fellas he called his buddies, or wherever his feet led him, Robert’s presence was felt with joy as much as his loss is felt with sadness. Not only did everyone feel that Robert was so very special to them and their own, Robert made everyone else feel so very special to him.

Robert was a committed and longtime faithful member of Life In Christ Ministries under the guidance of Bishop Dickie L. & Pastor Tina Robbins. Robert made sure the pastor’s parking space was secure, made sure the pastor had the announcements just right and he made the deadlines. Holding the door Sunday after Sunday, greeting members and visitors alike, he was often the first face you would see welcoming you. Robert was a committed part of the food ministry that served Chester’s displaced population every Sunday in the city center.

Robert was loved by and LOVED his family. His mother, his brother and sisters, cousins and aunts but boy did he love his nieces and nephews. They were the apple of his eyes. Robert LOVED his family. And his family LOVED him. You knew whose he was and who belonged to him.

Robert loved wrestling and The Philadelphia 76ers. We heard tale that more than once, he talked his way from the nosebleed section to floor seats. Knowing how he loved meeting and talking to people, we know it’s the truth! Visiting those he knew, being what we’ll call “inquisitive” (old folks say nose) and keeping everyone in they know led some to affectionately dub him “Town Talk”; because if there was talk in the town, you better believe he knew it! There are few that come along in a lifetime like Robert.

Robert was preceded in death by his brothers, John Thompson, Jr. (Johnnie) and Romie Cooper, his father Robert Wilson and his Dad, John Thompson Sr.

Robert leaves to cherish and hold his memory dear: His Mother, Jeanette

Hollis Thompson, his brother Kenneth Thompson (Ronette), his sisters: Mary James, Linda Jackson, Doreen (Dova) Wilson, Andrea (Vette) Davis, Mary Maxwell, Lisa Jackson, Erica Jackson, Sheila Hull, Donna Cooper, Gina Cooper, his aunts Dolores Butler and Barbara Hollis. A host of adoring nieces and nephews, loving cousins, extended family & friends and his faithful caretaker and buddy, Dorris Stovall.

# Cemetery Details

**PRIVATE**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

OCT **6**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

Christian Church of Chester  
308 W. 3rd Street  
Chester, PA

### Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert A. Thompson*

October 07, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *He never forgot me. Love You Robert*

**Ramona L Braxton** - October 07, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ *I'm going to miss you Robert. What am I going to do without you? You made my life light and filled it with laughter. You were a character in a half. Forever in my heart. Love you Robbie!!!*

*Love  
Steph*

**Stephanie Brister** - October 05, 2023 at 10:48 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert A. Thompson.*



October 04, 2023 at 05:01 PM



“ *Robert A. Thompson*

October 04, 2023 at 12:55 PM

AM

“ Rest in Peace Robert! Your presence will be missed in the City of Chester, PA. Sincere condolences to Robert's family, friends, and acquaintances.



Angela D Mitchell-Williams - October 03, 2023 at 10:41 AM

SL

“ .....every once and awhile I'd ask Robert what my name was (he rarely called me by name) "I know your name ....you Davon and Kiera's (Kiara) mom". Yes I am Robert but what's my name? What you cooking tonight? 🤔👤👤👤. He loved a good home cooked meal. Grateful that we shared a few! RIP Robert!

Sherry Lamar - September 30, 2023 at 03:22 PM

MB

“ I Love Robert! The City Loved Robert! I Loved his blatant line of questioning, he would ask me questions about whatever he wanted & I would answer! He would make me laugh and he was very wise & offered good advice! RIP ROBERT

Marsha Benton - September 29, 2023 at 09:34 PM

PR

“ Our condolences to the Thompson family we the Rainey family are deeply saddened of the passing of Robert

Pamela Raineyjohnson - September 28, 2023 at 09:02 PM

RT

“ A beautiful light, extinguished far too soon. May we all live our lives, just a little more like you did. You were a light in dark places. Rest on brother in law. Your work was not undone. -Ronette

Ronette Thompson - September 28, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert A. Thompson.



September 28, 2023 at 07:52 AM

CJ

“ Robert was Gods special angel, I will miss him so dearly in my parents backyard , and sitting on the porch with us cutting up joking , and laughing. He had the key to the city of Chester and he holds the key to my heart. Rest In Sweet heavenly Peace Teddy Bear 🕊️🕊️ 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏. You will always have a special place in our hearts.

Cynthia Johnson - September 27, 2023 at 02:44 PM