



Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk

May 21, 1952 - October 2, 2019

Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk, 67, of Peoria, Illinois; formerly of Hiram, GA, left his earthly home to be with the Lord at 11:28 p.m. on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria, IL.

Robert was born in Bloomington, IL on May 21, 1952, to Robert Chalk and Gracie (Neal) Thomas. He married Dorothy Mae Burns on February 10, 1972 and to their union five children were born.

Robert graduated from the CH Mason Theological Seminary, C.O.G.I.C. in Atlanta, GA where he earned his Associates Degree in Theology.

Robert had a 45-year career as a heavy equipment engineer. While in Peoria, IL he worked at Local 649 and was an entrepreneur owning Chalk's Towing Company. Later in life he moved to Dallas, GA where he worked at Local 926 retiring in 2010.

Robert gave his life to Christ at an early age at Faith Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C., and later attended Power House C.O.G.I.C., in Peoria, IL. Upon moving to Georgia, he became a member of Community Outreach C.O.G.I.C., in Hiram, GA, where he was an Ordained Elder, worked with the Ministerial staff and was Assistant Superintendent of Sunday School. Robert loved fishing, bowling, traveling, taking pictures, going to movies and eating at Marietta Diner in Georgia. He had a black belt in Taekwondo and was an avid motorcyclist. Later in life, he was formerly married to Dawn Watson.

Robert leaves to cherish his precious memories his former wife and last caregiver, Dorothy Chalk of Peoria; three sons, Robert Chalk, Jr. of

Douglasville, GA, Jeremiah Chalk of Hiram, GA and Monti Lowe of Douglasville, GA; four daughters, Clora Bradley of Denver, CO, Gracie (Walter) Nealy of Angier, NC, Robin Lateef of Aurora, CO and Ashley Lowe of Baltimore, MD; twenty-two siblings; 17 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; 2 sisters, Shirley Jones and Blanche Chalk and one brother, Eddie Chalk.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, October 12, 2019 at Peoria Friendship Baptist Church with a visitation at 9 a.m. Rev. Dr. Claude Russell, Jr. is host Pastor. Elder Adrian H. Patterson will officiate and Elder Felton Beck, Jr. will bring forth the eulogy. Robert will be laid to rest at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

421 N. Sterling Ave.
West Peoria, IL 61604

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Peoria Friendship M.B. Church
3828 N New York Ave.
Peoria, IL 61614

Funeral Service

OCT **12**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Peoria Friendship M.B. Church
3828 N New York Ave.
Peoria, IL 61614

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk*



Simons Mortuary - October 11, 2019 at 05:44 PM

KJ

Such amazing tribute to your dad Gracie! Thank you so much for sharing w us! RIP Mr. Chalk💚

Kim Jackson - October 14, 2019 at 03:57 AM

JS

I miss you so much, I'm always thinking about you 💕💕 you dad

Jeremiah chalk. Son - November 22, 2023 at 11:39 PM



“ *Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

JC

“ *Jessie Copeland lit a candle in memory of Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk*



Jessie Copeland - October 14, 2019 at 05:53 AM

BP

“ *Praying for you and your family.*



Brenda Powell - October 13, 2019 at 01:25 PM

PF

“ *Pittman And Younger Families sent a virtual gift in memory of Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk*



Pittman and Younger Families - October 11, 2019 at 03:23 AM

JC

💖 *you dad, an i miss you*

Jeremlah chalk - March 09, 2021 at 01:24 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk.*



October 09, 2019 at 03:43 PM



“ *My condolences To The family of Robert, I've known the family for over 50 years, his sister Almeta & I are Dear friends! He was always so kind & a real gentleman. God bless you all & may God give you peace. We the Randle family will truly miss him! Blessings! Cathy Randle Watson*

Catherine Watson - October 08, 2019 at 09:14 PM

RB

To Dorothy,Kids,and Family my sincere condolences in the passing of your loved one. May the Lord that we serve keep you all close.

Ruth Bush - October 11, 2019 at 04:08 PM

EC

“ *May the love & light that surround you, help you find peace during this time of loss. Clora I'm praying for you and your family.*



Evelyn Tate Clayton - October 08, 2019 at 05:22 PM

EB

“ *Emel Buckner lit a candle in memory of Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk*



Emel Buckner - October 08, 2019 at 03:02 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Elder Robert Lee "Book" Chalk.*



October 08, 2019 at 02:51 PM