



Mr. Robert Hale

July 30, 1932 - March 21, 2026

Mr. Robert Hale, 93, of Peoria IL, passed away at 6:32 pm on Saturday, March 21, 2026, at his residence surrounded by his loved ones.

Robert was born July 30, 1932, in Birmingham, AL to Mary Goggins and Robert Hale. He married Carlean Parker in Bloomington, IL.

Robert worked at WABCO/Komatsu as a general assembler, retiring after 30 ½ years on February 1, 1995. He was the owner of Top Cat Clothing Store and Hale Plaza for many years. Robert was an US Army Veteran serving in the Korean War. He earned the Korean Service Medal, Bronze Service Stars, Good Conduct Medal, Combat Badge, United Nation Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

Robert was a member and a Deacon at New Morning Star M.B. Church for 30 years, Prince of Peace M.B. Church and a charter member and deacon at New Cornerstone M.B. Church for 27 years. He loved to play card games, especially Spades and Bid Whist.

Robert leaves to cherish his precious memory, his wife of 53 years, Carlean Hale of Peoria, IL; one son, Larry (Shirley) Hale; two daughters, Kimberly (Wayne) Cannon and Bronetta Jones; seven grandchildren; Jerome Hale, Thomas "TJ" (Clarice) Jones, Barbara Hale, Wayne Willie (TeeTee) Cannon,

Gregory Cannon, Bryan Cannon and Joshua Cannon all of Peoria, IL; twelve great grandchildren; three God children, Steven Terrell, Gigi Jones and British Randle; special friends, Victor and Amber Garza and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Will-T Martin, Radford "Jimmy" Hudson, Demus "Jr" Hudson, Willie Hale and Frank Carroll and two sisters, Eva Lois Johnson and Lovie Maxwell.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, April 4, 2026, at New Cornerstone M.B. Church, with a visitation one hour prior at 10 a.m. Rev. Dr. Mark McConnell will officiate. Robert will be laid to rest at Swan Lake Memory Gardens Mausoleum with US Army Military Rites and Gun Salute.

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

Cemetery Details

Swan Lake Mausoleum

4601 W War Memorial Dr
Peoria, IL 61614

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Cornerstone Baptist Church
3609 West Harmon Highway
Peoria, IL 61604

Funeral Service

APR 4. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

New Cornerstone Baptist Church
3609 West Harmon Highway
Peoria, IL 61604

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Robert Hale*



Simons Mortuary - April 09 at 02:24 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Robert Hale*



Simons Mortuary - April 02 at 07:33 PM

JH

God blessing to the family with love Detroit family

Jackie Hill - April 04 at 12:26 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Entombment*



Simons Mortuary - April 09 at 02:24 PM

PH

“ *Paula Hudson lit a candle in memory of Robert Hale*



Paula Hudson - April 04 at 11:54 AM

SM

“ *My sincere condolences for the passing of your loved one. Carlene, Bronetta, T.J. and others, we are praying for comfort and strength during this very trying time. Blessings and love.*

*Shirley Mallory and family
Silver Spring, MD*



Shirley Mallory - April 04 at 10:39 AM

JD

“ *Although I hadn't seen my friend and brother Bob for many years, I could never forget that smile of his that would light up a room whenever he was present.*

Bob managed a Gospel group that me and several brothers from Old Morning Star were a part of. He and his lovely wife Sister Carlean who also brightened a room with her laugh, were so gracious to allow us to rehearse in their home all those years ago. He'll be greatly missed but as all believers know, 'To Be Absent from The Body Is To Be Present With The Lord'... See you soon Brother Bob...Blessings to Sister Carlean and the Family... Brother John Davis , Maui, Hawaii.

John Davis - April 03 at 09:31 PM

MR

“ *Mattie Risby sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Hale*



Mattie Risby - April 03 at 09:25 AM

GJ

“ *Glispon Owens Jr lit a candle in memory of Robert Hale*



Glispon Owens Jr - April 03 at 12:18 AM

RB

“ *I miss my uncle Mike frfr !!! From his niece Roslyn Harris I love my UNC so much*

Roslyn Bond - April 02 at 05:51 PM

MY

“ *My deepest sympathies are extended to The Hale Family in the homegoing of our beloved Mr. Robert Hale.*

I became associated with Mr. Hale when we were both members of New Morning Star Baptist Church, I can recall fond memories of working with him when he was Superintendent of Sunday School and our association with the Layman Department. I found him to be cooperative and supportive.

Please know The Hale Family are in the thoughts and prayers of many. May your faith and many precious memories be sources of strength as you face the days ahead.

In Caring Sympathy,

*Michael Young,
Washington, D.C.*

michael Young - April 02 at 02:33 AM

VC

“ *Veronica Cotton sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Hale*



Veronica Cotton - April 01 at 09:17 PM

KA

“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Hale



Karen Ashby - April 01 at 09:16 PM

TJ

“ Tim and Sherri Johnson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Robert Hale.



Tim and Sherri Johnson - March 30 at 02:14 PM

RN

“ Rufus & Kim Nelson sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Hale



Rufus & Kim Nelson - March 30 at 01:58 PM

YG

“ Your niece Gwen purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Robert Hale.



Your niece Gwen - March 30 at 01:22 PM

RW

“ *To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord . Thank-you Deacon Hale for years of being a servant for God . Sister Hale , Bronetta , TJ and Reese your in our prayers*



Richard and Theresa Walker - March 28 at 10:37 PM

VI

“ *Vickie Ihejirika lit a candle in memory of Robert Hale*



Vickie Ihejirika - March 26 at 07:58 PM

PH

My condolences a great uncle who is will dearly miss RIP Uncle Mike i have all your Memories

PAULA HUDSON - April 04 at 11:11 AM

DD

“ *Deborah Dailey-Easley lit a candle in memory of Robert Hale*



Deborah Dailey-Easley - March 25 at 10:59 PM