



Mr. Willie George Bobo

February 9, 1958 - August 22, 2019

W. George Bobo, 61 of Morton, IL transitioned from this life to his heavenly home at 7:33 PM on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at Unity Point Methodist Hospital surrounded by his family.

George was born February 9, 1958 in Okolona, Mississippi to Martha Faye Bobo and George Bogan, Jr. He was a 1977 graduate of Okolona High School where he played basketball and football. Football was his favorite. In 1976 George was awarded the trophy Most Valuable Player. George furthered his education at Itawamba Community College where he majored in Psychology and was a defensive player in football. George served his country in the US Marine Corp as an engineer for 20 years. He traveled all across the world instructing and leading Marines. He also served as Chaplin in his unit. George retired from military duty in 2000. While serving in the Military, George met the love of his life, Edris Magee, on a blind date in Oceanside, California. George shared with Edris that he had a vision in a dream God showed him a silhouette of her and three children. They married on April 14, 1984. To this union, three children were born, Erika, Monika and Jonathan. George loved his family. The military allowed he and his family to travel across the world and have many memories of family time together. He was a servant of the Lord and if he could help somebody, he would. A true man of God, George is an example for others to follow. George also worked at the American Red Cross and supported many Central Illinois Projects.

George had a love for sports trivia, American History and birds of prey. He

was a true story teller.

George leaves to cherish his most precious memory his loving and devoted wife of 35 years, Edris Bobo of Peoria, IL; his children, Erika Bobo and Monika Bobo both of Peoria, IL and Jonathan Bobo of Denver, CO; his grandchildren, E'Laina Barber, Ahmad Keita and Emira Diggins all of Peoria; his mother, Martha Faye Rogers of Chicago, IL; one brother, Roger Bobo of Chicago, IL; four sisters, Martha "Linda" Gibson, Barbara Foster and Nadine Bobo all of Chicago, IL and Bonnie Issac of Texas. He is preceded in death by his father; one sister, Jammie Rogers; and his grandparents, George Henry and Carrie Mae Bobo.

A visitation will be held at 1 PM - 1:30 PM at Mt.Zion Baptist Church, Joilet, IL. George will be laid to rest at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery on Thursday, August 29, 2019 with full U.S. Marine Corp Military Honors. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, August 31, 2019 at Word of Faith Christian Center Church, gathering at 10:30 AM. Bishop Leroy Davis will bring words of comfort. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Word of Faith Christian Church.

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

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W Hoff Rd
Elwood, IL 60421
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/abrahamlincoln.asp>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 29. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
402 Singleton Place
Joilet, IL 60436

Gathering

AUG 31. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Word of Faith Christian Center
7116 N. Terra Vista Dr.
Peoria, IL 61614

Celebration of Life

AUG 31. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Willie George Bobo*



Simons Mortuary - August 29, 2019 at 01:43 PM



“ *Mr. Willie George Bobo*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Willie George Bobo*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Edris, We are so sorry to see that George passed. We have such fond memories of you two when we all were rooting on MHS Marching Band. We will keep you and your family in our prayers as you grieve the loss of a truly wonderful man. Mark and Jackie Miller*

Jackie Miller - August 30, 2019 at 05:19 PM

TJ

“ Bro Bobo was a great man and will be missed by many he treated us like family and we are honored to have known him ...love Rodney, Toni, Bre, Shaq Johnson



Toni Johnson - August 30, 2019 at 10:55 AM

AB

“ How many memories of George do I have??? I cannot count them. You were patient, kind, and funny!! We had a connection where you understood and never judged me. I am so glad we talked the week before the 4th of July. You were the best George and I am truly gonna miss you. We had the best time in February 2018 along with your Mom. Those were memories no one can take away from me. Rest Easy Cousin!! I pray I see you on the other side. Love You Edris!!!❤️ He is gone, but never will be forgotten. Love Ya George!!❤️

Angela Bobo - August 29, 2019 at 03:23 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Willie George Bobo.



August 29, 2019 at 01:28 PM

RM

“ I could never keep an attitude once he hugged me! I will miss him so very much!

Regina Morgan - August 28, 2019 at 10:27 PM



“ We love you Edris. Sending prayers and hugs from California. ~The Pierce Family

Linda Pierce-McCreary - August 28, 2019 at 10:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Willie George Bobo.



August 28, 2019 at 02:12 PM



“ Praying for the family



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - August 28, 2019 at 12:45 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Willie George Bobo.



August 26, 2019 at 10:59 PM



“ Please keep our family in prayer.

Loretta Rogers - August 26, 2019 at 07:27 PM



“ To my big brother we was just starting to rebuild our relationship. when we celebrated your birthday this feb we really had a good time. I just knew you would be with us this summer we made plans.



and now you are resting in peace, you cant read this i know but god knows my heart and i know you knew how much i really love you , all your words of advice live on .i am grateful for the last laughs we had , to see your genuine smile ,to hear your last story you told us about roger and charles in mississippi when we was young. I even learn something i never knew you dislike the color red as much me,

with love always and forever your sister nadine

Nadine Bobo - August 24, 2019 at 05:19 PM

RA

“ We are deeply saddened to hear that Mr. Bono passed away. We are missing him so much along with you. He is an amazing person and we feel lucky that we got to know him. We miss his warm hug while receiving us into Church. Celebrating the life of good man and mourning his passing along with you. We will be keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. God gives his comfort to you and your family.

by
Rajeev and Family

Rajeev - August 24, 2019 at 03:42 PM

SB

“ We are all family in some way or another. Enjoy the times that he was here with you. He has left a beautiful legacy here on earth. God makes no mistake when it's time for his children to come home. Praying for you all!



Shronda Bobo-Brown - August 24, 2019 at 02:38 PM

RL

“ Very nice Deacon at our Church, always welcome you with a smile, we will miss you Bro Bobo...love Warren and Ruthie Little..

Ruthie Little - August 24, 2019 at 11:31 AM

GC

“ Brother Bobo had a way of setting the tone. Whatever I was going through he mad me feel a little better with his smile and stories as I entered the church...I will miss him greatly

Gena Chatmon - August 24, 2019 at 01:57 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Willie George Bobo.



August 23, 2019 at 11:34 PM