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Larry Brown  
Jesse Brown, Jr.  
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James Miller  
Jeffrey Brown  
Ernie Shannon

Donald Hendon

*Honorary Pallbearers*

Melvin Shannon  
Arthur Harris

Melvin Roberts  
Curtis Harris

*Flower Bearers*

Nieces

*Interment*

Jehovah Cemetery  
Milo, Oklahoma

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*II Timothy 4:8*

*In Loving Memory  
of  
Emmett Reaford Roberts, Sr.*



*Sunrise*  
*December 2, 1929*

*Sunset*  
*March 24, 2020*

*Services*

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - 1:00 p.m.  
**JEHOVAH BAPTIST CHURCH**  
6277 Jehovah Road  
Milo, OK 73401

Rev. Emmett R. Roberts, Jr. - Officiating





## Obituary

On the 2nd day of December, 1929, the world, along with the Roberts Family of Sylvester and Effie, welcomed the 7th of their 8 children in the person of Emmett Reaford Roberts, Sr. Someone once said, with a big smile on her face, “he was a cute little boy, but he sure was bad.” He continued throughout his life to remain this complicated person.

Although we are not sure of the date, as a child he started on his long and complicated journey with Jesus Christ at the Calvary Baptist Church in Berwyn, OK. After a long struggle to make sense of his faith, he united with the Emmanuel Baptist Church, under the pastorage of Rev. Chester West. From that time until his health failed, he could be found in his favorite chair, with his Bible open, studying from his Sunday School book. He was an active member of the Men’s Sunday School Class, as well as Sunday Worship Services. He also liked watching his Sunday “Preachers” on TV.

He attended school in the Gene Autry area where he finished the 9th grade, when he left to start working. He spent 4 years in the United States Army, where, for a time, he was listed as “Missing in Action.” After returning home to care for his ill mother, he moved to Oklahoma City where he worked for several years at

Scott’s Chevrolet before spending some 27 plus years at Rainbo Bakery. He was known in the neighborhood as “Mr. Roberts, the Lawnmower Man” because he loved to work on lawn equipment. He was also an avid fisherman with a reputation of going anywhere and doing everything to catch the “big one.”

He married “the love of his life” Ruby Brown on April 23, 1954. To this union, 4 children were born: Tony (deceased), Emmett Jr. (Reaford), Vonda (Boo) and Domico (Mico). As in other areas of his life, he continued to be a man of few words and complicated emotions but he always saw to the needs of his family. A frugal man, he hated to pay for things that he himself could and usually did do himself.

He leaves to mourn his wife of 65 years, Ruby; his children: Emmett Jr. (Myrna), Vonda (Paul) Dunn and Domico (Demeria); his grandchildren: Sharita (Chris) Pea, Aaron Blake Miller, Ashley (Houston) Bryant, Gabrielle Dunn, Reed Roberts and Rena Roberts; his great-grandchildren: Kyndall, Amaya, Kylan and Jaxton. He has one surviving brother, George of San Diego, CA, as well as a host of family and friends.

## Order of Service

- Processional . . . . . Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family
- Scripture . . . . . Rev. Paul Dunn
- Pray . . . . . Rev. Paul Dunn
- Song . . . . . LaRhonda Dillard
- Resolutions/Acknowledgements . . . . . Rev. Myrna Roberts
- Song . . . . . LaRhonda Dillard
- Words of Comfort . . . . . Rev. Emmett R Roberts Jr.
- Viewing . . . . . Temple & Sons Funeral Directors
- Commitment of the body
- Dismissal . . . . . Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

## Acknowledgements

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