

One of Roy's last acts was to share this poem which was one of his favorites by Helen Steiner Rice. It is our tribute to him.

Life

*Life is like a journey
Taken on a train*

*With a pair of travelers
At each window pane.*

*I may sit beside you
All the journey through*

*Or I may sit elsewhere
never knowing you,*

*But if fate should mark me
To sit by your side*

*Let's be pleasant travelers
It's so short a ride.*

THANKS FOR THE PLEASANT MEMORIES, ROY

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family would like to express their warmest gratitude in every respect for all acts of kindness expressed during their time of bereavement. Your prayers, condolences, florals and deeds of love have been sincerely felt and appreciated. May GOD bless each of you.

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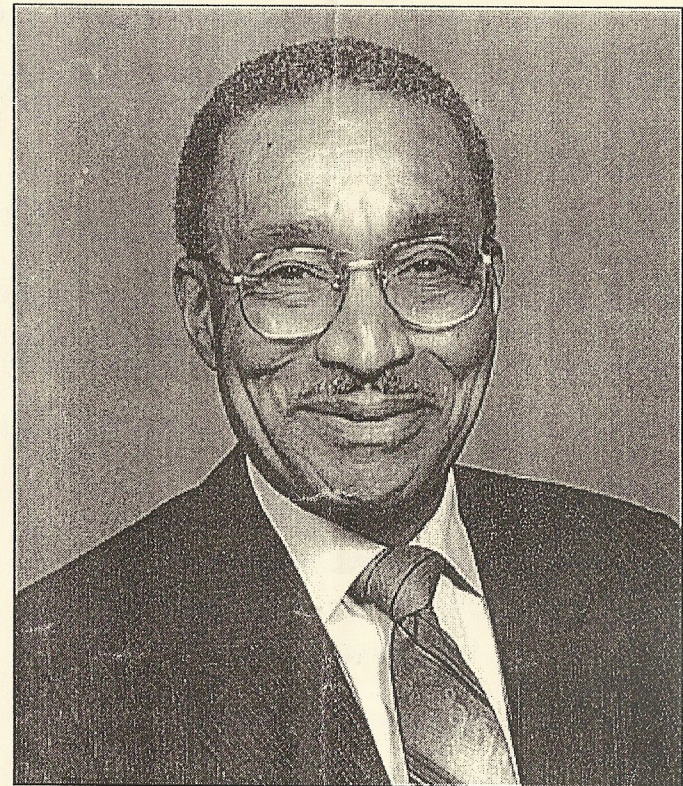
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In Loving Memory of Roy Robert Thorne

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Friday, October 13, 1995
10:30 a.m.

LEE ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH
3970 Lee Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Rev. William Sanders, Officiating

Order of Service

- Organ Prelude* *Alice Rush*
Processional *Family & Friends*
Scripture *Psalm 23*
Prayer *Rev. William Sanders*
Selection *Lee Road Baptist Church Choir*
Acknowledgements / Resolutions
Obituary *Read Silently Please*
"Give Me A Clean Heart" *Dorothy Adams*
Eulogy *Rev. William Sanders*
Recessional *Organ Postlude*

INTERMENT

Lake View Cemetery
12316 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

PALL BEARERS

The Royal Vagabonds
Lee Road Baptist Church Men's Club

FLOWER BEARERS

Members of
Cleveland Congress of Bridge Clubs
The Tally's Bridge Club
The Valettes

OBITUARY OF ROY ROBERT THORNE

Roy Robert Thorne was born April 12, 1928, the only child of Roy and Marian Cottoms Thorne (both deceased). He departed this life on October 9, 1995.

Roy attended the Rochester, NY public schools, graduating from Benjamin Franklin High School in 1947. He also attended Rochester Institute of Technology. He was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1950 where he attained the rank of sergeant and received an honorable discharge in 1952.

Roy moved to Cleveland, Ohio and was employed by the Cleveland Transit Authority for 12 years. He continued his education at Cuyahoga Community College, earning an Associate Degree in Plant Management. For the next 20 years he was employed by NASA and at his retirement in July 1993, had earned the rank of Steam Plant Supervisor.

Roy brought enthusiasm to everything he did. He was a member of the Prince Hall Masons, Ecclesiastes Lodge #120, The Royal Vagabonds, The Tee-Offers, The Grasshoppers and served in leadership positions such as Tournament Director or Social Chairman. He was also a Life Member of the NAACP.

Religion and social service were priorities for Roy. Both he and his wife, Dorothy, were active participants in Lee Road Baptist Church. Roy ushered, was a member of the Men's Club and was selected as Man of the Year in 1979.

Roy married Dorothy on August 27, 1961. Their lives, activities and dreams intermingled as they supported each other and respected each other's aspirations. They worked together, played together and planned their lives together.

Roy will be sadly missed by his wife, Dorothy; daughters, Michele Moody (Sylvester) of Larinburg, NC, Denise Freeman (Jesse) of Corsicana, TX and Cheryl Fielder (Dennis) of Corsicana, TX; six grandchildren, Stephanie, Michael, Jessica, Donovan, Lucas and Aydi; a paternal aunt, Corrina Green of Lansing, MI; a paternal uncle, Daniel Thorne of Hampton, VA; godfather of Martin Bruce Ezelle; several cousins and a host of friends.

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