



Donald Roberts

May 25, 1922 - May 27, 2025

In Loving Memory of Donald “Thalme” Roberts

May 25, 1922 – May 27, 2025

Aged 103 Years

“When the elderly die, a library is lost and volumes of wisdom and knowledge are gone.”

— Author Unknown

Donald “Thalme” Roberts passed away peacefully on May 27, 2025, just two days after celebrating his 103rd birthday. Born in St. Mary, Jamaica, to Clara White and Zefiniah Roberts, Donald overcame a serious illness as a child and went on to live a life marked by strength, faith, and hard work.

He began his career in maintenance at Grays Inn Sugar Factory and later moved to Kingston, where he learned tailoring—a skill he mastered so well that it launched him into business. In 1955, seeking a fresh start, he relocated to Birmingham, England, where he worked as a tailor and bus conductor.

In 1958, he married the love of his life, Lora (“Nora”), and together they built a 56-year marriage until her passing in 2014. Donald later moved to New York, working at Sloan Kettering Hospital, before retiring with Lora to Ocala, Florida. There, they became active members of their church, offering support to the

sick and elderly.

Donald is preceded in death by his wife, parents, and sister Parnella. He is survived by his daughter Beverly, grandchildren Michael, Keisha, and Mark, four great-grandchildren, siblings George (Doreen), Perlyn, Hermine (Welesley), and Norma (Desmond), and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Donald's legacy of kindness, humility, and dedication will be lovingly remembered by all who knew him.

Cemetery Details

Good Shepherd Memorial Gardens

5050 SW 20th Street
Ocala, FL 34474

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Roberts of Ocala East Chapel
2739 SE Maricamp Rd.
Ocala, FL 34471
(352) 732-9944

Funeral Service

JUN 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary's Episcopal church
5750 SE 115th Street
Belleview, FL 34420

Graveside Service

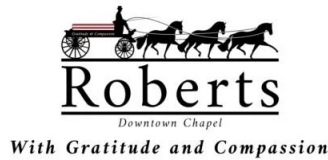
JUN 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Good Shepherd Memorial Gardens
5050 SW 20th St
Ocala, FL 34474
(352) 900-4681

Tribute Wall



“ *Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations created a Webcast in memory of Donald Roberts*



Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations - June 26, 2025 at 04:21 PM

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“ *Claudette Oliver and Family! purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Donald Roberts.*



Claudette Oliver and Family! - June 14, 2025 at 10:05 AM

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“ *Claudette Oliver and Family! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Roberts.*

Claudette Oliver and Family! - June 14, 2025 at 10:05 AM