

## *"Let Me Go"*

by Christina Rossetti

When I come to the end of the road  
And the sun has set for me  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room  
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not for long  
And not with your head bowed low  
Remember the love that once we shared  
Miss me, but let me go.

For this is a journey we all must take  
And each must go alone.  
It's all part of the master plan  
A step on the road to home.

When you are lonely and sick at heart  
Go to the friends we know.  
Laugh at all the things we used to do  
Miss me, but let me go.

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*A Service of Victory  
Celebrating the Life  
of*

**MR. ROBERT ELLISON JAMES**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022  
11:00 A.M.**

**FORT JACKSON NATIONAL CEMETERY  
4170 PERCIVAL ROAD  
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**BISHOP HAYES T. GAINES**  
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## *Obituary*

Robert Ellison James was born on December 14, 1945, in Orangeburg, South Carolina, to Ashbia W. and Minnie L. Pressley James. He departed this earthly life on August 3, 2022.

Robert began his education in the public schools of Orangeburg, SC, and graduated from Wilkinson Senior High in 1964. He attended then South Carolina State College for two years then joined the United States Air Force, where he served for six years followed by 20+ years with the Department of Defense. Robert was a proud Vietnam War Veteran.

In 1969, while stationed in Spain, he married Betty A. Bennett and made his home in Redland, California, where he lived for over 20 years. During this time, he received a BA Degree from California State University, in San Bernardino.

In 2002, Robert moved to Houston, Texas, and in 2006 married Eartha Lee Elliott, who preceded him in death. The couple resided in Houston, Texas, and then relocated to Columbia, SC.

Robert leaves to mourn his passing: son, Ronald E. James, of Vernon, UT; daughter, Tracy Mabrey (Willie), of Sugarhill, GA; stepsons, Stephen Johnson, of Kernersville, NC, John Elliott (Candice) and Tony Elliott (Rachel), of Columbia, SC; stepdaughters, Deloris Hartfield (Chris) and Natasha Elliott, of Columbia, SC, Sherry Williams (Bernard), of Spartanburg, SC; his siblings, Harry W. James (Holly), of Lakewood, CO, and Elandres James Williams, of Missouri City, TX; an uncle, Frank Pressley (Carla), of Jacksonville, FL; a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, in-laws, and friends.

## *Order of Service*

Presentation of Military Honors

The Call to Worship

Scriptures.....Bishop Hayes T. Gainey

Prayer.....Bishop Hayes T. Gainey

Words of Comfort.....Bishop Hayes T. Gainey

Recessional

Postlude



## *Committal, Benediction and Interment*

Fort Jackson National Cemetery  
4170 Percival Road  
Columbia, South Carolina

## *Acknowledgement*

We, the family of the late Robert Ellison James, would like to thank each of you for your many acts of kindness and love shown to us, during the passing of our loved one. We pray a special blessing upon each of you.