



## Kenneth E. Roberts, Sr.

September 28, 1925 - April 8, 2016

ROBERTS, Bishop Kenneth E. Sr., was born on September 28, 1925 in Loraine, Tennessee. He passed away on April 8, 2016 at the age of 90 years and 6 months. He was the son of the late William J. and Polly Evelyn Roberts. He was a resident of Ohio since 1954. Rev. Roberts was the founder and pastor of the Pentecostal Apostolic Temple Church in Dayton, Ohio. He had served as a Bishop in the Apostolic Church since 1965. He was a graduate of First Creek High School in Blue Diamond, Kentucky and the International Bible Institute and Seminary in Plymouth, Florida. He received his Bachelor of Theology, Master of Theology, Doctorate of Theology and Doctorate of Divinity degrees from International Bible Institute and Seminary. Bishop Roberts was an Army veteran of World War II and a retired employee of the Defense Electronics Supply Center in Kettering, Ohio where he worked as a quality control specialist in the supply cataloging division. Rev. Roberts was also a past store manager for the Blue Diamond Coal Company in Bonnyman, Kentucky. He is a member of the American Association of Retired Persons, a former member of the D.E.S.C. 25 year club. In May 1994, Bishop Roberts was awarded the Commission of Kentucky Colonel by the Governor of the state of Kentucky. Pastor Roberts had been an Apostolic minister and church pastor since 1955, working with churches in Ohio and other surrounding states. His adult life had been dedicated to the work of the Lord and of the gospel ministry. He had assisted a number of young men in getting into the gospel ministry. Survivors include his beloved wife, Virginia (Stidham) whom

he married on August 27, 1946; son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth E. Jr. and Marie E. Roberts; grandchildren, Mark Edward (Donna M.) Roberts and Tammy L. Reid; great-grandchildren, Lexi and Avery Reid, Nathan E. (Kaitlyn) Roberts and Dalton E. Roberts; great-great grandchildren, Mason E. and Chase D. Roberts; brothers and sister-in-law, John and Helen Roberts and Danny Roberts; sisters and brother-in-law, Mildred and Lloyd Bailey and Virginia Maxine Gwin; special personal and family friend, Elena Lempky; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends. He is preceded in death by 3 brothers, Billy R., Robert H. and Ronnie L. Roberts. Viewing will be held on Sunday, April 17, 2016 from 2-5p.m. at JACKSON LYTLE & LEWIS LIFE CELEBRATION CENTER 2425 N. Limestone St. Springfield, OH. A celebration of his life will be held on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 1p.m. also at the funeral home with a second viewing one hour prior. Entombment will follow at Rose Hill Burial Park. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.jacksonlytle.com](http://www.jacksonlytle.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Rose Hill Burial Park

Springfield, OH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Jackson Lytle & Lewis Life Celebration Center  
2425 N. Limestone St.  
Springfield, OH 45503  
(937) 399-2811

## Visitation

APR 18. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Jackson Lytle & Lewis Life Celebration Center  
2425 N. Limestone St.  
Springfield, OH 45503  
(937) 399-2811

## Service

APR 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CH

“ I hold many wonderful memories from my childhood when Tammy and I would spend the night and stay up giggling at his house then going to church and enjoying the Sunday dinner that followed. What a blessing he was to so many lives.



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**Cheri Hill** - April 18, 2016 at 09:06 AM

JB

“ I was so sad to hear of the passing of Bishop Roberts. 44 years ago he prayed a beautiful prayer of faith after he had performed the wedding ceremony of my husband and I. I have never forgotten the faith of that prayer. He and Sister Roberts were a perfect pair and I know she will be lost without him. Love and hugs to all the family.

*Joan Riggsby Burns ( Daughter of Jesse and Loleta Riggsby)*

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**Joan Burns** - April 14, 2016 at 06:20 AM

LB

“ Sis. Roberts,  
I was so sad to hear about the passing of Bro. Roberts. I am Bro. Delbert Havens' daughter- one of the twins :) I have many fond memories of many church services together. Praying for you and your family that you will find comfort and peace in the coming days and months. Love you all.

*Linda ( Havens) Bristow*

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**Linda ( Havens) Bristow** - April 13, 2016 at 01:59 PM

LB

“ *To Bishop Kenneth Roberts Family:*

*Our lives have been blessed by Bishop Roberts. It is difficult to think about our lives without him. May God give you peace during this difficult time. Our prayers and love will be with you. RIP Bishop.*

*Lynn & Susie Brown*

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**Lynn Susie Brown** - April 12, 2016 at 10:16 AM

MB

“ *My condolences go out to my sister and her family. Reverent Roberts has been a mentor and a loveing example for my whole family for as long as I can remember .I will always remember his love and devotion for the Lord and his family.with love and respect we honor your memory every day of our lives*

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**Mary Lou Bush** - April 12, 2016 at 03:41 AM