



Robert Louis Height Sr.

September 3, 1944 - May 4, 2025

Bobby Height, Sr. was born in Raleigh, North Carolina on Sunday, September 3, 1944. He was the first son of the late George Sylvester Height and Elsie Bumpers Height. He joined his heavenly father on Sunday, May 4, 2025, at 7:42 a.m. at the Levine & Dickson Hospice House at Aldersgate in Charlotte, North Carolina.

In preparation for fulfilling a favorite quote of his by Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, “Whatever you do, strive to do it so well that no man living and no man dead, and no man yet to be born can do it better,” Bobby graduated in 1962 from Ligon High School in Raleigh, NC and earned a Bachelor’s degree in Health & Physical Education from Shaw University in Raleigh, NC in 1966. Bobby was a proud member of the Delta Gamma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated and a standout on Shaw’s basketball and baseball teams. In 1973, he earned a Master’s in Physical Education from North Carolina Central University.

Bobby was a man of exceptional character, deeply committed to uplifting those around him through mentorship, teaching, and unwavering kindness. His passion for sports was evident in his outstanding athletic achievements, including Hall of Fame honors and a professional baseball career. As a dedicated coach and educator, he shaped the lives of countless young athletes, instilling in them the values of teamwork and perseverance. Bobby’s

devotion to his family was unparalleled—his love and guidance as a husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and cousin created a legacy of warmth and inspiration. His resilience as a heart transplant survivor and his advocacy for organ donation showcased his selfless nature. Whether as a mentor, an athlete, a teacher, a friend, or a survivor, Bobby's influence was far-reaching, leaving an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Bobby is preceded in death by his younger brother, Attorney Larry Sylvester Height.

Bobby is survived by his wife and faithful caregiver, Brenda Bullock Height of Charlotte, NC; his daughter, Bridget Height-Williams of Charlotte, NC; his son, Bobby Height II (Erica) of Atlanta, GA; his granddaughter, Jade Evelyn Williams of Durham, NC; a step-mother, Elaine Height of Wendell, NC; special Goddaughters, Kookie Morgan (Calvin) of Raleigh, NC and LaTara Bullock Smith (Lance) of Atlanta, GA; other adopted and bonus granddaughters whom he cherishes: Madison and Makayla Morgan, and Indya Andrews; sisters-in-law: Eva B. Jones and Barbara B. Engram; a brother-in-law, James Lovelace Bullock (Bethel); and numerous loving cousins, nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

Bobby will be greatly missed for his humor, loving and friendly demeanor. However, we bow to God's will and will forever cherish the fond and loving memories he left to all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to The Greater Shaw University Charlotte Alumni Chapter: P.O. Box 43299 – Charlotte, NC 28215, Attn: Treasurer – c/o Robert "Bobby" Height, Sr.

To be designated to the Shaw University Men's Basketball Team

OR

Cash App: \$CharlotteAlumniSU

Cemetery Details

Montlawn Memorial Park

2911 S. Wilmington Street
Raleigh, NC 27603

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 10. 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM (ET)

Poplar Springs Christian Church
6115 Old Stage Road
Raleigh, NC 27603

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Memorial Ceremony

MAY 10. 11:15 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



“ A.E. Grier & Sons Funeral and Cremation, LLC. created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Louis Height Sr.



A.E. Grier & Sons Funeral and Cremation, LLC. - May 10, 2025 at 12:01 AM

DK

A loving husband, devoted father, friend to many but most of all an amazing man of God. We will miss his smile and sense of humor. Heaven gained an angel. 🙏 Donnie & Masherrill Koonce

Donnie & Masherrill Koonce - May 10, 2025 at 10:52 AM

SH

“ My boys and I will always have fond memories of Bobby. He coached their father when he was young and kept up the boys during their respective high school and college days. I always appreciated the interest he showed them. Bobby is one of a kind and will be missed but never forgotten.

Shelley Hinton

Shelley Hinton - May 28, 2025 at 07:30 PM

DS

“ *David Wilson Sr lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



David Wilson Sr - May 14, 2025 at 01:54 PM

CV

“ *Carlton "Bud" Vailes lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Carlton "Bud" Vailes - May 13, 2025 at 06:13 AM

LB

“ *Lisa Bunch lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Lisa Bunch - May 12, 2025 at 02:38 PM

VJ

“ *Bobby was a longtime friend of the Scott Family, especially my late brother, "Teacup", with whom he played baseball. We've known the Height Family for years through our home church, Popular Springs Church. Know that we mourn with you in this great loss. May God shower you with His Spirit of Peace, Comfort, Joy, Strength and Healing.*



Veronica Scott Johnson - May 12, 2025 at 11:25 AM

MM

“ *Condolences to you with love
And prayers*

Mae Melvin - May 11, 2025 at 04:47 PM

GH

“ *GERRY HUNTLEY lit a candle in memory of
Robert Height*



GERRY HUNTLEY - May 11, 2025 at 04:03 AM

GH

“ *I was fortunate to have Bobby as my Claims Supervisor at Aetna
Casualty and Surety in the mid 1980s in Charlotte. Bobby was such
a positive influence and motivator to me and others. I will never
forget being under his supervision. I am a much better person after
being around Bobby. With deep personal regards, Gerry Huntley,
Fairview, NC, 828-318-4013, gerryh1947@yahoo.com*

GERRY HUNTLEY - May 11, 2025 at 03:57 AM

TW

“ *Thelma Wright lit a candle in memory of
Robert Height*



Thelma Wright - May 10, 2025 at 01:57 PM

MP

“ Our sincere condolences on the loss of Mr. Height. Keeping you all lifted in prayer. 🙏❤️



Marvin, Stacey & Aiden Pyles - May 10, 2025 at 08:23 AM

SF

“ My condolences to the Height family. Bobby was a neighbor growing up in Rochester Heights. Lovely family. He was a great athlete and always very kind to others. I'm keeping you all in my prayers.



Sheila Fort-Ray - May 10, 2025 at 08:11 AM

JG

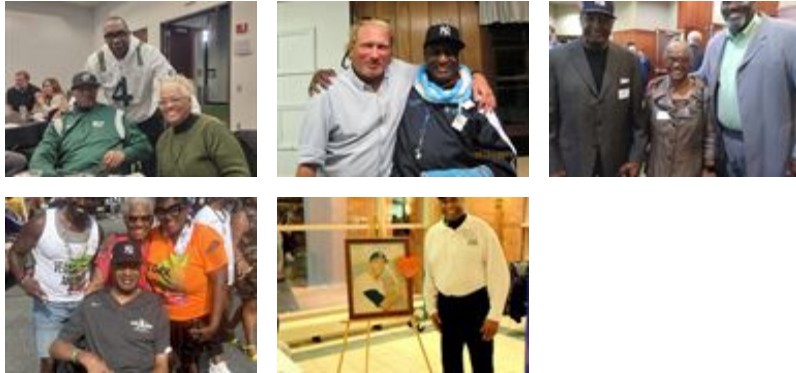
“ Jacqueline Marshall Gadison lit a candle in memory of Robert Height



Jacqueline Marshall Gadison - May 10, 2025 at 07:23 AM



“ 133 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



A.E. Grier & Sons Funeral and Cremation, LLC. - May 09, 2025 at 11:26 PM

DA

“ *Coach Height and Mrs. Height were a God sent couple to Shallotte, NC in the late 60's and early 70's. He was an excellent teacher, mentor, and person to help you make sense out of life as a high school student. I have so profoundly been influenced by words from Coach Height that have sustained me in many situations over more than 50 years. My deepest condolences to Mrs. Height and the Height Family. David L. Gore, Jr. M.D., FACS*

David - May 09, 2025 at 10:17 PM

AM

“ *We are so sorry for your Family's Loss, Prayers Of Love Peace And Comfort.*



Al And Pat McCutcheon - May 09, 2025 at 07:59 PM

TB

“ *Sending prayers and love to the family.* ”



Travis and Cheryl Bullock - May 09, 2025 at 11:35 AM

CV

“ *Constance McNeill VanDyke lit a candle in memory of Robert Height* ”



Constance McNeill VanDyke - May 09, 2025 at 09:15 AM

RC

“ *Ray and Cheryl Caldwell lit a candle in memory of Robert Height* ”



Ray and Cheryl Caldwell - May 09, 2025 at 08:49 AM

ES

“ *Eddie Thomas Sr lit a candle in memory of Robert Height* ”



Eddie Thomas Sr - May 09, 2025 at 07:15 AM

DC

“ Donna Cole lit a candle in memory of Robert Height



Donna Cole - May 09, 2025 at 07:11 AM

JB

“ To: The Height Family
Wishing you strength and peace during this challenging time. We too will miss Bobby!!!!
Doug and Jo T. Boyd

Jo T Boyd - May 08, 2025 at 09:49 PM

MS

“ I send my condolence and prayers 🙏 to the Heights 'family from MINISTER:SHERELL.LYNN.DUNN .I will remember him as MY HIGH SCHOOL 🏀 varsity basketball Coach 1972 at Vaiden Whitley High School in Wendell NORTH CAROLINA and a born again Christian ✝️, ,i was proud to be selected by him as a member Of his squad, because he saw my talent to play the game of basketball 🏀. Rest in peace coach job well done at Vaiden Whitley High School warriors. Minister SHERELL.LYNN.DUNN

Minister SHERELL.LYNN.DUNN - May 08, 2025 at 09:42 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Robert Louis Height Sr..



May 08, 2025 at 09:21 PM

AC

“ Andrew Cobian purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Robert Louis Height Sr..



Andrew Cobian - May 08, 2025 at 08:29 PM

SE

“ Stanley Ervin lit a candle in memory of Robert Height



Stanley Ervin - May 08, 2025 at 07:23 PM

CL

“ Charles Lyde lit a candle in memory of Robert Height



Charles Lyde - May 08, 2025 at 06:09 PM

JB

“ Janie Bellamy lit a candle in memory of Robert Height



Janie Bellamy - May 08, 2025 at 05:30 PM

RP

“ Bobby Height is simply one of the most positive people I knew. His passion for family, life, people and sports is unmatched. The joy and willingness to help others will be passed on to generations of family and friends. The smile and laugh were reliable and enjoyed both every time we got together. I pray for his family and know the reason this hurts so much is because there were so many good times. Hold onto those experiences and know all of "Bobby's people" are in good hands as he looks down on us.

Robert Perron - May 08, 2025 at 05:30 PM

DG

“ Condolences to the Height family.
Dianne Stanley Gatewood



Dianne Gatewood - May 08, 2025 at 01:59 PM

VE

“ Valechia egerton-stegall lit a candle in
memory of Robert Height



Valechia egerton-stegall - May 08, 2025 at 01:58 PM

KH

“ *Kieva Hannon lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Kieva Hannon - May 08, 2025 at 01:36 PM



“ *Many prayers for comfort and a beautiful service. Thinking of you guys! Lee Rice & Anita Pangle*



Lee Rice - May 08, 2025 at 09:33 AM

DR

“ *Coach Height was a wonderful mentor to many at Vaiden Whitley High School. His wisdom and kindness will never be forgotten by those who spent time with him. Praying for comfort for the family during this difficult time of loss. Deborah Cook Ruggero Class of '73*

Deborah Ruggero - May 08, 2025 at 09:00 AM

AH

“ *My prayers go out to the family of Bobby! He and share cherished memories of our Bible Study discipleship class at Simpson-Gillespie!*



Ann Hopkins



Ann Hopkins - May 08, 2025 at 08:10 AM

PJ

To the family, my wife and the Mitchiner's Grove Baptist Church sends their condolences and prayers. A dear friend indeed who will always be remembered.

Pastor Melvin Jackson

Pastor Melvin Jackson - May 08, 2025 at 01:56 PM

EA

“ *So sorry to hear of his loss. He was a wonderful man. He will be sorely lost by all my condolences and prayers go out to his family.*

Edward Auten - May 08, 2025 at 07:58 AM

PC

“ *Patricia Christmas lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Patricia Christmas - May 08, 2025 at 07:50 AM

SC

“ *I met Bobby as an advocate for the gift of life. He was truly an MVP.*

Sandra Coley - May 08, 2025 at 05:58 AM

LD

“ *My sincere condolences to the Height family....
Another great one....The circle has been broken,but your legacy will live on!
Rest well my dear friend*



Lawrence Dunn - May 07, 2025 at 11:12 PM

RB

“ *Mr. Height had an infectious personality and smile. He was always sharing positive and uplifting news. What a joy to say I knew him. Our prayers are with the Height Family. May God bless you all.*



Regina M Brooks - May 07, 2025 at 09:58 PM

MB

“ *I remember him teaching at Union High School in Shallotte,NC,A great teacher. Rest in Peace*

Mildred Bellamy - May 07, 2025 at 09:18 PM

RB

“ *Reggie Barnes purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Louis Height Sr..*



Reggie Barnes - May 07, 2025 at 08:44 PM

RB

“ *Reggie Barnes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Louis Height Sr..*

Reggie Barnes - May 07, 2025 at 08:44 PM

VW

“ *1974 Graduating Class of Vaiden Whitley High School shares our respect and condolences for Coach Bobby Height.*

Vaiden Whitley Warriors - May 07, 2025 at 08:33 PM

HJ

“ *Sincere condolences*



Herman and Deborah Jones - May 07, 2025 at 08:27 PM

DW

“ *Delois Whitaker lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Delois Whitaker - May 07, 2025 at 08:08 PM

MH

“ *Marsha Harris lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Marsha Harris - May 07, 2025 at 07:37 PM

DP

“ *May God's peace surround you and uphold you through difficult time.
You are in all our many thoughts and prayers.*



Cast thy burdens upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee. Psalm 55:22

Deacon Ministry PSCC - May 07, 2025 at 06:15 PM

RJ

“ *My Prayers and Condolences to the Height Family.*

Rev. Kevin V. James - May 07, 2025 at 05:21 PM

DR

“ *MS. BETTY L BRODIE DEEPEST SYMPATHY*



Debra Russell - May 07, 2025 at 05:20 PM

RO

“ *"TO be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord." I didn't know Bobby personally, but always heard good comments about him through my friend and his stepmother(Mrs. Elaine Height). She always had good things to say about him. My condolences go out to the family in this time of bereavement. May God be with each and everyone at this time.*



Ruby Oneal - May 07, 2025 at 02:48 PM

OH

“ *When God calls our loved ones home, He leaves a gift of memories in exchange Omega Hightower*



Omega Hightower - May 07, 2025 at 02:34 PM

MG

“ *Mary Garvin lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*

Mary Garvin - May 07, 2025 at 02:22 PM

TJ

“ *My sincerest condolences to the Height Family
From Tammy Jackson*



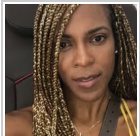
Tammy Jackson - May 07, 2025 at 01:57 PM

EH

“ *Erica Height lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Erica Height - May 07, 2025 at 01:28 PM



“ *Always encompassing the ability to reach and identify with all generations. He made anyone feel special with the undivided attention that he provided in conversation. I will miss your warm smile and witty personality. Cousin Brenda and Bridget, I love you guys and know that your faith is going to carry you through* ❤️



Brenda Herndon - May 07, 2025 at 01:25 PM

EY

“ *Emma Lee Womack Young lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Emma Lee Womack Young - May 07, 2025 at 01:15 PM

AA

“ *Alicia Adcock lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Alicia Adcock - May 07, 2025 at 12:47 PM

AH

“ *Ann Tomlinson Hodges lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Ann Tomlinson Hodges - May 07, 2025 at 12:46 PM

WE

“ *With sincere condolences and prayers for the family.*



Wanda Evans-Basden - May 07, 2025 at 12:46 PM

FW

“ *Frances Williams lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Frances Williams - May 07, 2025 at 12:43 PM

SS

“ *Sherby R Speight lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Sherby R Speight - May 07, 2025 at 10:06 AM

PP

“ *Pat Powell lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Pat Powell - May 07, 2025 at 10:05 AM

PM

“ We honor and will remember forevermore Coach Bobby Height’s dedication to the Vaiden Whitley High aka East Wake High students in Wendell, North Carolina.



Patricia Ann McCullers
SM McCullers Century Farm
Wendell, North Carolina

Patricia Ann McCullers - May 07, 2025 at 09:07 AM

AH

With Deepest Sympathy At This Time of Sorrow. May God Continue To Bless You.
Angie Harris

Angie Harris - May 07, 2025 at 08:34 PM

RG

PRAYING FOR GOD'S PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING ABIDE WITH YOU ALL IN THE DAYS AHEAD. GOD BLESS

Rev Lester Gore - May 10, 2025 at 05:19 PM

PH

“ My deepest condolences and prayers to my family.
Hugs and kisses.



Pauline Lorice Hall-Dunn - May 07, 2025 at 06:45 AM

SH

“ *Shirley Sanders Harris lit a candle in memory of Robert Height*



Shirley Sanders Harris - May 07, 2025 at 06:41 AM