



Robert Polk

December 6, 1943 - May 18, 2026

Robert Odell Polk was born on December 6, 1943. He departed this life on May 18, 2026. Born to the late Minor Polk and the late Ollie Mae Polk, he was the second-born of five children. Early on, he was educated in Polkton, North Carolina.

He moved from North Carolina in his teens and resided with his maternal uncle, John Hamilton, for two years. Then he resided with his maternal aunt, Rosalee Doulgas.

Odell, as he was also affectionately called, was united in holy matrimony to Lenora Boyd on June 10, 1985. From that union, two daughters were born, one of whom died at childbirth. Though they were both previously married, the children from those marriages were all raised and loved as one big family.

He was a professional truck driver, and he loved driving immensely. He drove for Annapolis Produce for 10 years. He was also the maintenance engineer at the Mt. Zion Methodist Church in Lothian, MD, for 15 years, working evenings.

Robert joined the New Smyrna Missionary Baptist Church, serving on the usher board, and was later ordained as a Deacon. He loved his church, and he loved to sing.

Deacon Polk was a mild-mannered man who got along with everyone. He rarely raised his voice. He was fun-loving and could really make you laugh. He had this funny dance he would do that would crack you up! He never hesitated to help if you were in need; so much so that a friend of ours used to call our house "The Polk Inn." Most of all, he was full of love.

He leaves to mourn and cherish his memories: his wife Lenora Polk, children: Yolanda Polk (deceased), Robert Polk, Jr., Leslie Polk (Robert), Charles Barnes (William), Malinda Smith, Shatara Polk, Lavel Brokenborough (Ronnie) and Lateya Akuffo, one sister: Emma Gutierrez (Ismael), grandchildren: Leon, Hannah, Leah (Daniel), Jarel, Malcolm (deceased), Yolanda, Kevin, Jackie (deceased), Nia, Christopher, Johnathan, Kennedy, Seth, Amira, Mariah and Joshua as well as a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

MAY 30. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marshall-March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Robert Polk*



Marshall-March Funeral Homes - May 20 at 01:24 PM

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“ *So sorry to just learn of Mr.Roberts passing. I remember him fondly from Mt.Zion when he worked there and I always looked forward to his smile and a friendly chat. Truly one of the nicest men I have met. Prayers of comfort for his family .*

Lorraine Davis - June 05 at 05:18 AM

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“ *Mr. Polk whom I met and admired at Park Road Community Church. He was soft spoken and a gentleman and sang with the Men's choir. To Lenore and family, please except my heartfelt sympathy. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. May he rest in eternal peace.*



Barbie Thompkins - June 04 at 05:39 AM



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Marshall-March Funeral Homes - June 01 at 06:11 PM

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Thanks for the memories of our beloved uncle Odell. He will always be in my heart. There is no doubt in my mind that I will see him again. God's peace and blessings to you all.

Artis Sellers - June 02 at 02:47 PM



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Marshall-March Funeral Homes - June 01 at 03:59 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers extend to all of you who are faced with the displeasure of losing a loved one to our worst enemy called Death, in these critical situations it's normal to feel helpless not knowing where to turn. However, our heavenly creator has assured us in HEB: 6/11 that it is impossible for him to ever forget us, He also stated in John:5/28/29 that all those who have fallen asleep will here is voice , So GOD is given us all his promise of hope of us being together once again. Meanwhile we can give our thanks to the funeral directors: for their perfectonal assistance and their heartfelt concern toward the unfortunate friends and families; THANKS.

Joseph Jones - June 01 at 01:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Polk.



May 22 at 11:49 AM



“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

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