



Mr. Bobby Jackson Jr.

February 4, 1951 - November 3, 2025

Bobby Lee Jackson, Jr., affectionately known as “Jack,” kept life on a cool, calm, and steady beat. Born on February 4, 1951, in Opelika, Alabama, to the late Bobby Lee Jackson, Sr. and Odessa (Oliver) Jackson, he was the youngest of three children and grew up surrounded by faith, family, and a deep love for music. On Monday, November 3, 2025, after a lengthy illness, Bobby joined the heavenly drumline in the sky.

Bobby was educated at JW Darden High School. After graduation in 1969, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. During his 14 year military tenure, Bobby earned several awards, including the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, the NCO Professional Military Education Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal, to name a few.

While stationed at Dover Air Force Base in Dover, Delaware, fate introduced him to the beautiful Stephanie Rojean Wilson as she rode her bike through a local park. Captivated by her grace and smile, he introduced himself, and soon, their hearts found harmony. Bobby married the love of his life, Stephanie, on February 5, 1979.

Their family song grew stronger as they welcomed their daughter Tia on September 26, 1979 and Bobby lovingly adopted Stephanie’s young daughter, Tarra, on February 14, 1980. Together, they formed a tight-knit quartet of love, laughter, and loyalty. Through tours in Korea, Washington state, Alaska, and being stationed at Hickam Air Force Base in Oahu, Hawaii, and Dyess Air

Force Base in Abilene, Texas, Bobby was honorably discharged from the Air Force as an Airplane Mechanic in 1986. After his Air Force career, Bobby was employed as an Automotive Technician spanning over 30 years across Delaware and Georgia, retiring from Dekalb County Georgia.

Bobby's rhythm found its truest expression when he joined Calvary Baptist Church in Dover, Delaware. He became the heartbeat of Calvary's music ministry, playing drumsets and congas, for the "Mighty Men of Song" and other choirs. After relocating to Atlanta, Georgia, he joined Elizabeth Baptist Church, keeping the beat of praise alive through worship with his family. Upon returning to Opelika, Alabama, he joined Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Auburn, Alabama, where his drumsticks and conga beats once again lifted spirits and filled the sanctuary with joy.

A gifted craftsman and creative soul, Bobby built complex sound systems and handcrafted string art portraits and lighting for family and friends. He was the family's unofficial DJ and master of ceremonies at family gatherings, ensuring the good times never stopped. Whether it was uptempo records by James Brown and Earth Wind & Fire booming on a Saturday morning or Sade and Atlantic Starr playing late into the night, Bobby made sure there was always music in the house and love in the air.

In addition to his parents, Bobby was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 37 years, Stephanie Rojean (Wilson) Jackson; his brother, Charles Lee Barrow; his sister, Katie Maud Wilson; and his brother-in-law, Vonnie Marion Wilson.

Carrying on his legacy are his daughters, Tarra Rojeana Jackson of Bear, Delaware and Dr. Tia LeJean Jackson (husband, Jabar Truitt) of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; grandchildren, Roger-DeSean Lee Jackson of Wilmington, Delaware, Saniya Lee Jackson-Truitt of Washington, D.C., and Jaxson Adam Truitt of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; nephews, Victor Wilson (wife, Wanda) of Shreveport, Louisiana, and John Patrick Wilson (wife, Vickie) of Dallas, Texas; brother-in-law, R. Darrell P. Wilson (wife, Katrina) of Milford, Delaware; brother-like best friend, James Ellis (wife, Beverly) of Atlanta, Georgia; sister-

like cousin, Ruby Sue Baker of Auburn, Alabama; devoted partner, Darlene Maddox of Opelika, Alabama; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, family members, church members, and friends.

Bobby's rhythm may have quieted here on Earth, but his beat lives on in every heart he touched, every song he played, and every life he lifted. His life reminds us that love—like music—never dies; it simply changes key.

Cemetery Details

Fort Mitchell National Cemetery

553 Alabama 165
Fort Mitchell, AL 36856
[http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/ftmitchell.a
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Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Peterson and Williams Funeral Home
1016 McCoy Street
Opelika, AL 36801
(334) 745-6473
pw1016mccoy@hotmail.com

Service

NOV **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church
2461 U.S. Highway 29N
Auburn, AL 36830

Tribute Wall



“ Peterson and Williams Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Bobby Jackson Jr.



Peterson and Williams Funeral Home - November 20, 2025 at 01:18 PM

SH

A beautiful tribute for my spiritual brother Bobby Jackson. Prayers and condolences to all the family and friends. Rest well my friend ❤️

Starlet Harden - November 21, 2025 at 04:53 PM

TQ

“ The Queens planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Bobby Jackson Jr..

The Queens - November 20, 2025 at 02:42 PM

TQ

“ The Queens purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Mr. Bobby Jackson Jr..



The Queens - November 20, 2025 at 02:42 PM



“ 52 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Peterson and Williams Funeral Home - November 20, 2025 at 12:22 PM



“ *Latanya, Duane & Duane Jr. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Bobby Jackson Jr..*



Latanya, Duane & Duane Jr. - November 20, 2025 at 08:40 AM



“ *Family be encouraged I adopted Bobby as my brother Darlene and I and rest of family always had good time fellowshipping I miss him so much too he had good spirit Y'all are in my prayers* ❤️❤️🙏🙏

Donnive Pink - November 18, 2025 at 10:02 PM

RF

“ Bobby will always be remembered for the great man he was. His quiet spirit always radiated love and peacefulness. He and Stephanie ,Mom and Pop will forever hold a place in our hearts. Our continued prayers to you family.
Love Rev.'s Dr.'s Norman and Cynthia Fields and family

Rev.'s Dr.'s Norman and Cynthia Fields - November 18, 2025 at 05:29 AM

SD

To the Jackson family my heart and prayers will always be with you. Bobby will always be remembered. His kindness towards others showed a special Love for them. May you rest in peace Bobby we Love you 💕.

Shirley Dennison and family 🙏💕💕

Shirley Dennison - November 20, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ I would like to see a prayer and love to the Jackson family Mr. Bobby you would be truly missed and to my Sister Darlene I'm sorry for your loss and the pain you going through now!! 🌸🌸🌸🌸🙏🙏

Cressie Gaines - November 17, 2025 at 08:53 PM



“ To the Jackson Family: My deepest sympathy at this difficult time. May you find strength in the love and support of friends and family.



Ruby James - November 14, 2025 at 01:21 PM

VW

“ Miss already .To my favorite uncle may you rest in peace. Victor tyrone wilson



Victor Wilson - November 14, 2025 at 11:10 AM

RS

“ Our Deepest Condolences to the Jackson Family. Reggie and Priscilla Strickland



Reggie Strickland - November 12, 2025 at 08:25 AM

VC

“ Sorry for your loss. Bobby was a good friend and I went to school with.

Viola Colquitt - November 09, 2025 at 04:24 PM

CH

“ I remember all the fun times growing up on Orchard Avenue.Jack I will miss your smile and laugh. CharlesHarper

CharlesHarper - November 07, 2025 at 04:56 PM