



James Roberts

May 8, 1940 - January 7, 2011

James Garry Roberts, 70, of Springdale, born, May 8, 1940 in the family home to Guy and Ruby Roberts in Harrison, Arkansas, died on January 7, 2011 in Circle of Life Hospice care. Garry was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, friend, and teacher who's life was guided by his deep faith in Christ.

Garry was confirmed in 1968 as a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church. In over forty years, he was a choir member, served as a Lay Reader and Eucharistic Minister, was elected to numerous terms on the vestry, and served four terms as senior warden. On a state level, he was elected to serve a three year term on the Bishop's Executive Council, served on the Environmental Task Force, and attended as a delegate or visitor every state Diocesan Convention since 1968.

Garry graduated from the University of Arkansas with a Bachelor of Arts and Science and Master's of Education degrees. He was employed by the Springdale School System for 36 years at Central Junior High School where he primarily taught Civics. He was a member of Phi Delta Kappa. He also served as a consultant on several textbook and was listed as such in one.

Garry was an avid Arkansas Razorback fan attending every home football and basketball game and traveling to many bowl games and NCAA Tournaments. He was a gourmet cook and loved to travel.

He was preceded in death by his father, Guy Roberts, formerly of Harrison.

He is survived by his wife Frances, his sons, James and John, a daughter-in-law, Jennifer, and one granddaughter, Katelynn, all of Springdale, also his mother Ruby Roberts and sister Vera Wagner of Harrison, his sister Renetta Wacaster and brother-in-law Jim Wacaster of Springdale, his brother-in-law Bill Phelps and wife Lynn Phelps of Mountain View, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Springdale at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 2011.

A visitation will be on Tuesday, from 6 to 8pm at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale.

Burial will follow the service at the church's columbarium.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the American Cancer Society, 92 Sunbridge Dr., Fayetteville, Arkansas 72203, Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, Arkansas 72762, caringbridge.org, or St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 2898 S. 48th St., Springdale, Arkansas 72726.

To sign the guestbook online please visit www.siscofuneral.com

Tribute Wall



“ *James Roberts*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *We were very sad to hear of Garry's passing. Our family has nothing but wonderful memories of growing up with the Roberts family and Garry will be greatly missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers and we love you all very much!*
Jared Green and family

January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Fran, John, James, Ruby, Renetta & Jim, & Vera,*

So sorry that I couldn't make it over to the services. I am praying for you today and you are in our thoughts and prayers. Garry was dear to our family and we grieve with you as he will be missed by all of us.

Love to all,

*Ruby, Donald & Sharon, Sheila & Joe Kenneth, Gale & Janice,
Charlotte & Robin*

January 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Garry was such a wonderful person. We are all praying for your comfort.*

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Fran, John, Jennifer, Kate and James -
We are so sorry for your loss. We are thinking of you and praying
for comfort during this difficult time.*

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Garry lived and walked his faith everyday - in the way he treated his
students and those along the way, in the way he constantly sought
to learn and understand, in the way he laughed at himself and
others with such delight. Garry taught us the joy of life. His human
form will be missed; his spirit lives on. Know we are holding each of
you in prayer during these days. Cursillo music will be played
tonight and all day tomorrow in celebration of Garry's life and love
for so many.*

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Fran, Larry joins me in sending you and your family our heartfelt
condolences. Garry will be missed by all of us who knew him and
benefited from the example he set for others. Please know that you
are in our prayers. May you always sense Christ's presence in this
journey.*

Laura

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Fran, James, John, Ruby, Vera, Renetta and Jim,

I mourn with you in the loss of Garry. He was a good friend and a good cousin to me. I know you love him, I know you miss him. I send my sympathy and love.

Edith Barrett

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our prayers and condolences are with you during this time. Garry was a kind and thoughtful person and will truly be missed.*

January 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *You will be truly missed by all.....May God now rest your soul.....*

*J.G. Metscher (Former CJHS student) and
Verna Rucker-Metscher (Former CJHS colleague)*

January 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM