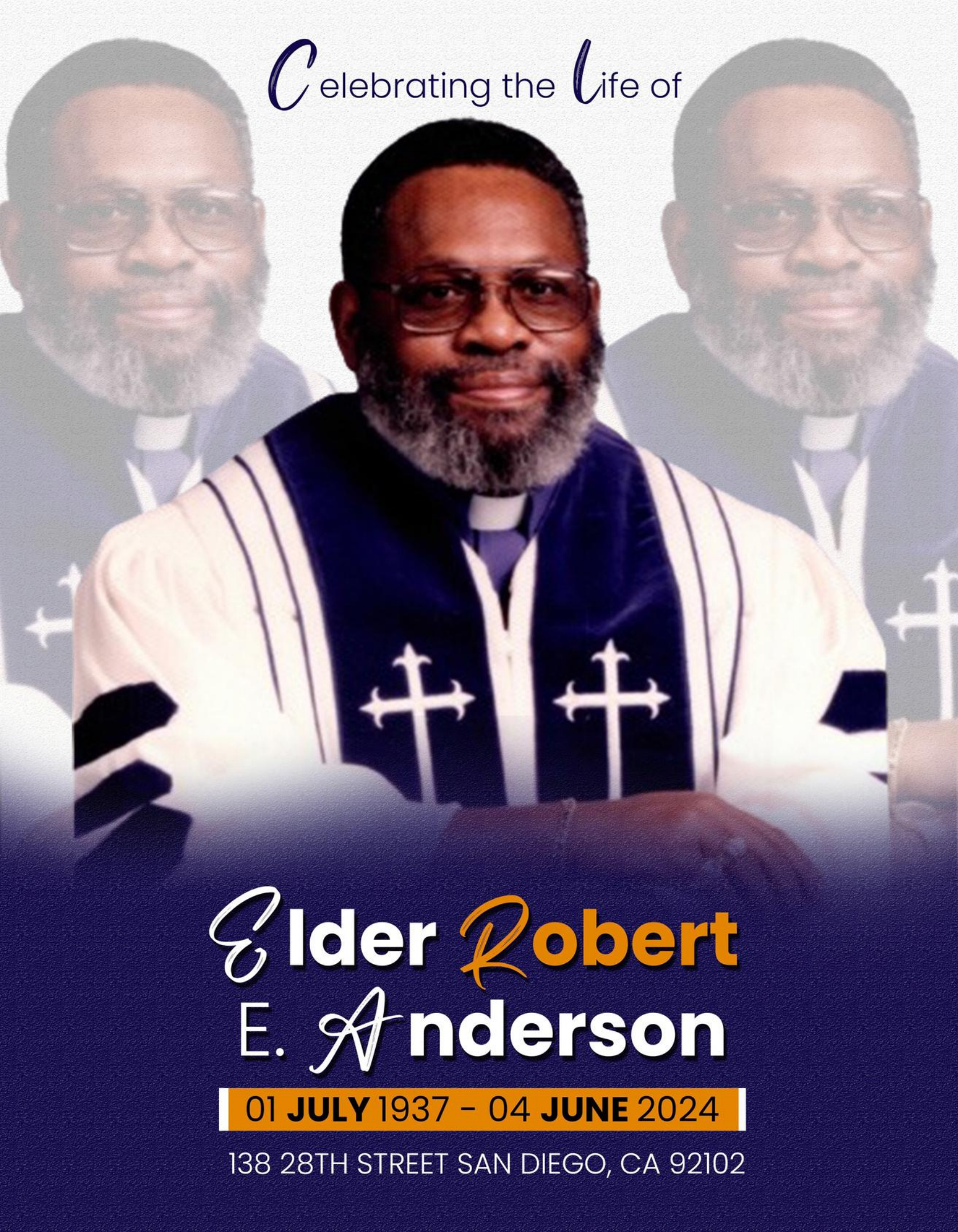




*C*elebrating the *L*ife of

Elder Robert
E. Anderson

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BITUARY ROBERT E. ANDERSON

Meridian, Mississippi – Robert E. Anderson, born on July 1, 1937, to David and Jeanette Anderson, passed away on June 4, 2024. Despite being diagnosed with a heart condition at an early age and not expected to live past the age of 12, Robert defied the odds and lived a remarkable life. He suffered chronic medical issues throughout his life which limited extracurricular activities during his youth and influenced him toward a disciplined life.

Growing up under his father's teachings, at "Congregation Church of God" in Union, MS and graduated from Harris High School. Robert learned important values and principles that would shape his character. As a teenager, he faced the challenges of living in the racist South, experiencing firsthand the injustices and struggles of the time.

As an adult, Robert was blessed with a loving family. He was the proud father of a blended family of Eleven children – Robert Jr., Dennis, Deborah, Tony, Cedric, Walter, and Jackie, Janet, Sandra, Gene, Brian, and Carol.

On May 9, 1974, he married Joy E. Howard and together they nurtured a family with love and spiritual guidance. Robert's devotion to his family was unwavering, and he leaves behind a legacy that includes 56 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren, and a host of spiritual sons and daughters.

Robert studied and graduated from Kelsey Jennings Business College. He was then hired at California 1st Bank. He proved to be a dedicated employee on the auditor field team of Southern California 1st Bank.

LIFE OF ROBERT

Meridian, Mississippi – Robert E. Anderson, born on July 1, 1937, to David and Jeanette Anderson, passed away on June 4, 2024, at the age of 86. Despite being diagnosed with a heart condition at an early age and not expected to live past the age of 12, Robert defied the odds and lived a remarkable life. His journey was marked by resilience, discipline, and a deep commitment to his family and faith.

Robert's childhood was shaped by the teachings of his father, a devoted member of the "Congregation Church of God" in Union, MS. He graduated from Harris High School, where he demonstrated his determination and perseverance despite facing chronic medical issues that limited his participation in extracurricular activities. These challenges influenced him to lead a disciplined life, driven by a strong sense of purpose.

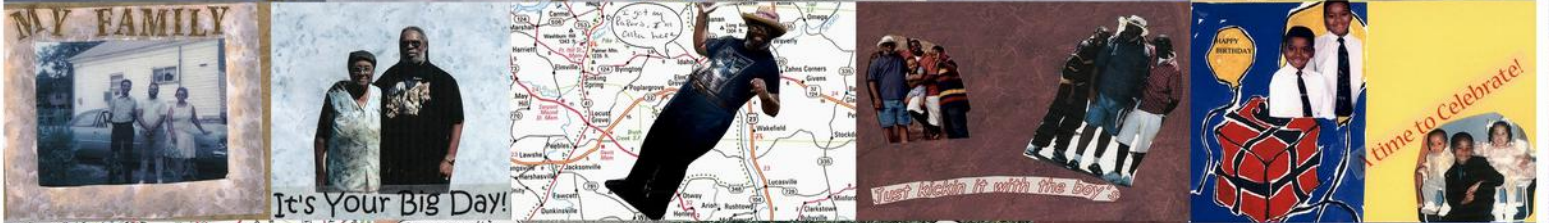
As a teenager, Robert navigated the challenges of growing up in the racist South, experiencing firsthand the injustices and struggles of the time. These experiences fueled his passion for equality and justice, shaping his character and inspiring him to make a positive impact in the world.

On May 9, 1974, Robert embarked on a journey of love and partnership when he married the love of his life, Joy E. Howard. Together, they shared a beautiful and fulfilling marriage that spanned an incredible 50 years. Robert was blessed with a loving and blended family. He was the proud father of eleven children – Robert Jr., Dennis, Deborah, Tony, Cedric, Walter, Jackie, Janet, Sandra, Gene, Brian, and Carol.

Their home was a haven of warmth and love, where family and friends always felt welcome. Robert and Joy were known for their hospitality, often hosting holiday buffets and gatherings that brought loved ones together. Their love and generosity created lasting memories and fostered a sense of belonging for everyone who entered their home.

Their 50 years of marriage were filled with countless cherished moments, laughter, and shared dreams. Together, they created a legacy of love and togetherness that leaves behind a legacy that includes 56 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and a host of spiritual sons and daughters. Robert's unwavering devotion to Joy and their warm and loving household will forever be remembered as a testament to the power of love and the beauty of a lifelong partnership.

Robert's thirst for knowledge and meticulous attention to detail led him to study at Kelsey Jennings Business College, where he graduated with distinction. He then embarked on a successful career at California 1st Bank, where he proved to be a dedicated employee on the auditor field team of Southern California 1st Bank. His professionalism and work ethic earned him the respect of his colleagues and made a lasting impression on those he encountered.





PASSION OF ROBERT

Elder. Anderson lived a life deeply rooted in faith and spiritual growth. His dedication to his calling to serve others had a profound impact on the apostolic community. Known for his meticulous and methodical approach, Robert engaged in a lifelong pursuit of true understanding.

His love for learning was evident in his vast library, which boasted an impressive collection of over 5,000 books. Robert's commitment to teaching was unparalleled. He devoted no less than 20 hours a week to studying biblical texts, encyclopedias, and references, ensuring a thorough breakdown and comprehension of the context. Robert E. Anderson dedicated himself to imparting biblical knowledge and guiding others in their spiritual journeys. For a remarkable span of 40 years, he served as a teacher in various capacities.

Recognizing his expertise, Bishop Charles E. Taylor entrusted Robert with teaching the esteemed Senior Adult class. Among his students were revered figures such as Mother Skinner, Mother Lowe, and Mother Maud Reed. Later, Robert took on the responsibility of mentoring aspiring Apostolic Pastors, leading the ministers' class and imparting his teachings to future generations who would carry on his legacy.

In his role as a teacher of ministry classes, Robert E. Anderson had the privilege of mentoring and guiding numerous individuals who would go on to become influential Apostolic Pastors in their own right. Among the pastors who benefitted from his teachings are well-known names such as Benson, Bowser, Brunson, Johnson, Rickett, McGriff, Franks, Darton, Williams, and many others. These pastors, who have made significant contributions to the apostolic community, were fortunate to have learned from Robert's wealth of knowledge and wisdom.

Robert's passion for teaching extended beyond the confines of the classroom. He generously shared his expertise in Homiletics, the art of preaching, by teaching at Enon Bible College. Through his dedicated instruction, he equipped aspiring preachers with the necessary skills and techniques to effectively deliver sermons that resonate with congregations and convey the divine message.

Robert faithfully taught Bible classes, using his extensive knowledge and deep understanding of scripture to enlighten and inspire his students. His passion for sharing the teachings of the Bible extended beyond the classroom as he also devoted his time to teaching Sunday school, nurturing the faith of young minds and instilling in them the values of love, compassion, and righteousness.



