



## Robert Lee Ellis

November 24, 1951 - April 25, 2020

A dedicated husband, father, entrepreneur and community servant; Robert Lee Ellis exemplified integrity, hard work and the importance of family.

With a heart like no other, he vowed to 'protect and serve' his community as a Railroad Officer for Grand Trunk Railway System for 20 years. As a cinema enthusiast, he truly embodied turning your passion into profit. In the late 80's he co-founded 'Detroit Video.' A home movie and game rental chain providing access to metro-Detroiters to the latest in VHS blockbuster films. The franchise would ultimately expand to three different locations spanning the greater Detroit area.

Additionally, he would go on to become the first Security Liaison Officer for Southfield Public Schools at Levey Middle School where he became a mentor and father figure to thousands of students who had the honor of being in his presence. After 20 years with SPS, Mr. Ellis would go on to retire and continue his seniority at 46th District Court where he served as a Court Officer until 2020.

Mr. Robert Ellis will be forever immortalized for his intense love of God, passion for singing and caring for others.

He was the epitome of a tender, thoughtful and tenacious husband, father, brother, grandfather and friend to all who crossed his path.

His legacy shall continue forever through the Robert Lee Ellis Memorial Scholarship for Southfield Public School Students.



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“ *You are missed Robert! Always ~ Dr, Chaunda L. Scott*

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