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VETERANS' HALL OF FAME



WILLIAM H. ROBINSON

Sergeant William "Hannibal" Robinson or "Hannabe" is a Deacon, mentor, trailblazer and a proud veteran of the United States Army. We are proud to present him as Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins' Inductee to the 2019 Veterans' Hall of Fame.

Sergeant Robinson was born in Amelia, Virginia in 1923. One of eight, Sergeant Robinson always had a true sense of patriotism and duty, enlisting in the military at age 17.

In 1941, Sergeant Robinson joined the Army and was stationed in Germany during WWII, which allowed him to travel throughout Europe. His units were comprised of approximately 500 men and known as the "Quarter Master Trucking Company." Sergeant Robinson was responsible for driving through active war zones, recovering casualties, transporting wounded soldiers to safety, and other duties as assigned, all while risking his life to save fellow soldiers. Many soldiers were saved due to Sergeant Robinson's skillful driving, attention, and bravery.

For his service, selflessness, and heroism, Sergeant Robinson was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, American Defense Services Medal and the European, African, Middle East Service Ribbon.

After receiving an honorable discharge in 1945, Sergeant Robinson settled in Greenburgh, New York and married the love of his life, Elise Bank. They were married for 45 years and had six children.

Sergeant Robinson had numerous job positions over the years, but none made him as proud as serving in the Army. In 1973, Sergeant Robinson was sworn into the Greenburgh Police Auxiliary, where he served for 23 years, beaming with pride when wearing his uniform. In 1995, Sergeant Robinson became an ordained Deacon and is an active member of the Union Baptist Church in Greenburgh, where he also serves on the Deacon Board.

Sergeant Robinson resides in White Plains and has 21 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild.

Sergeant William Robinson is a pillar in the community, his church, and his family. He loves his family and his country, and is extraordinarily proud of his service. Today, we salute Sergeant Robinson and thank him for his service.



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THE NEW YORK STATE VETERANS' HALL OF FAME
BY SENATOR ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS**

