



# Samuel "Sammy" Cotto

AUG 7, 1957 - AUG 5, 2025



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Samuel Cotto (a.k.a Sammy) age 67, passed away on August 5, 2025 in Wildwood, Florida, born in Newark, New Jersey on August 7, 1957. He is survived by his four children Crystal, Samuel, Samantha and Isabella; grandchildren Abisai, Krystal Del Mar, Elijah, Jairo, Amahia, Jeremiah, Amora and 10 siblings Carmen, Dan, Miriam, David, Yolanda, Noemi, Rebecca, Elizabeth, Virginia and John. Sam will be remembered for his love for the Lord and the reading of the Word which became alive everyday in his life. At a very young age he fell in love with the presence of the Lord and that's when it all started: a life of prayer. His passion was to connect people to the Lord and spread the Word, like a wildfire. His mission work led him to share the Gospel with foreign countries and make disciples of Christ. He was known for his Godly wisdom, generosity, trust and confidence in the Lord, kind-heartedness, humor, witty nature and his love for music and people. He was a talented guitarist and pianist-all for the glory of God. He shared his abundant love as a father, grandfather, brother, uncle, pastor and Bishop. Throughout his long life journey he maintained his faith in the Lord. His famous words were "less is more"; meaning less of him and more of God. He will be greatly missed; his memory will live on in our hearts forever; may he rest in peace.

Visitation is at Memorial Park Funeral Home on Saturday, August 16, from 10:00 am - 11:00 am, with the funeral starting at 11:00 am. Interment will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery.



# Events

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## Visitation

**Saturday**, August 16, 2025

10:00 AM ET

**Memorial Park Funeral Home & Crematory**  
5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709

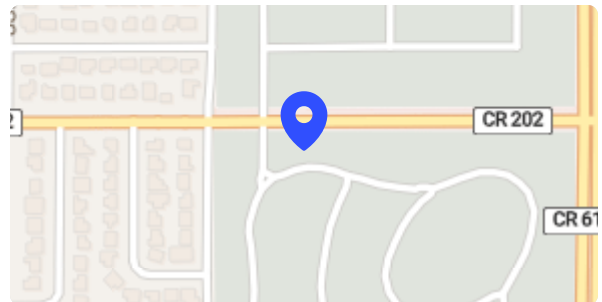


## Funeral Service

**Saturday**, August 16, 2025

11:00 AM ET

**Memorial Park Funeral Home**  
5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709



## Cemetery Details

**Memorial Park Cemetery**  
5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709

**(727) 369-8228**





## Tribute Wall

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**Memorial Park Funeral Home** shared a **Webcast Video**.



August 14 at 10:18 AM



**Rebecca Oakes** posted:

Sam was like a brother to me. I saw his heart for people and for the Lord. I have many fond memories of serving beside him at Casa Hope. What I remember often was he would take the shoes, clothes, or watch off his own person and give it to a young or older gentleman in the program. He truly was a generous, funny, and loveable guy. He knew how to draw out people's god given gifts and nudge (or throw) them into it. He had a passion for worship and gave his all. I could not attend the gathering but I will always remember my brother Sam.

October 10 at 12:14 AM



**Mastan Tudu** posted:

This world is a tent we are the actor but our God the great director.

August 16 at 12:13 PM



**Nita Sheridan** posted:

Bishop saying, I will remember you for the rest of my life. You helped my children. You helped my grandson and you showed nothing but love. I truly am proud. That God led me to you and that you in turn. Let me closer to God. You baptized my boys. I just spoke to you a month ago and you were asking me to notarize something for you and as always, I would do anything for you many times I have helped Bishop out too, and he would always pay me back tenfold. Now he can pay me back 100% by being at gates heaven door to greet me with God and Jesus Christ and my son, when I enter the gates of heaven Bishop Sam, you're a wonderful person. I am, so so honored. That you were in my life.\n And I'm so so sorry, cancer took you away from us. It took my mother at age 68. So every time I do a cancer walk, I'll be walking for you too, brother, I love you Bishop Sam. I know you're at peace and I will. Never forget your smile Amen.

August 16 at 10:11 AM



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**Nita Sheridan** posted:

I love you, Bishop, Sam. I am so glad that you entered my life 10 years ago. You helped my son and my grandson. You helped me save their lives and in turn. I helped you many times in the past 10 years. But always done graciously because I know whatever I did from you. It would come back 10 fold. You have helped so many people in your lifetime. And for that reason, you're gonna have a lot of people hoping you're at the gates of heaven waiting for them. As I hope you are for me. I love you, Bishop, Sam. I wish there were a lot more people on this Earth like you. I know you. Cherished your daughters and your new granddaughter. I would love to see them again the last time. I saw them. We were cleaning out a trailer together I just noticed something 3 weeks ago. For Bishop, he sounded a little weak in his voice, but God, my witness, for God, in Jesus Christ, this man was never weak. I wish there were more like him on this Earth, so I'm sending my love to heaven until I am able to hug you again hug my son for me. And thank you for baptizing my boys. I love you bishop

August 16 at 10:03 AM

NS

**Nita Sheridan** posted:

But ship Sam. I will remember you for the rest of my life. And I pray to God when I enter the gates of heaven. You are there to give me a hug. You helped my son. You helped my grandson and in return. I always try to help you. I just notarized something for you. 3 weeks ago I could tell you sounded weak but you are never never weak to any of the men. You helped all through your life. How many peoples lives you have touched? That's what your 2 beautiful daughters and granddaughter need to always remember you always helped always. I have a picture on my wall that you gave me. It will hang there until I leave this Earth. I love you, Bishop, Sam. And I'm going to miss you, but I will see you again. I want to see your 2 beautiful daughters and granddaughter. I love you, brother again thank you for everything you did for my family. That is a reason. I always reached out a hand to you when you called me because if you're a genuine true heart. In Jesus Christ. Bryce all I ask of God and Jesus Christ is to let you remember me when I walk through the gates of heaven. I love you bishop

August 16 at 9:59 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Cotto family.



August 15 at 3:11 PM



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**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Samuel.

August 15 at 3:11 PM



**Ann Geisler, Joe And Chris** sent a Days of Sunshine Bouquet to the Cotto family.

August 14 at 4:38 AM



**Ann Geisler, Joe And Chris** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Samuel.

August 14 at 4:38 AM



**Daniel Tudu** posted:

We as an indian leaders of Christ Jesus, Miss you Bishop Samuel Cotto a lot, your teaching of exhortation, love and kind heart in the Lord can't be filled up. Your kind heart will be always rememberd. See you in heaven Amen! Rev Daniel Tudu India.

August 12 at 11:59 PM



**Marcano's Family** sent a Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet to the Cotto family.

August 12 at 12:05 PM



**Marcano's Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Samuel.

August 12 at 12:05 PM





**Media**

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