



## Donald M. Richardson

June 13, 1930 - February 7, 2021

We mournfully announce the passing of Donald Maurice Richardson, 90, of Baltimore, MD. Donald passed peacefully on February 7, 2021.

Donald, born to Lewis H. Richardson and May V. Richardson in Baltimore, MD, took his first breath on June 13, 1930. He had two brothers and one sister; Lewis H. Richardson, Jr., John William Richardson, and Mildred R. Worthy. He grew up in west Baltimore on Sanford Place with a loving family steeped in a foundation of Christianity, education, and service.

Donald graduated from Frederick Douglas High School, Baltimore, MD in 1948. He began studies at Morgan State College, but responded to a call to serve before completing his studies and enlisted in the United States Air Force in June 1951, five days after his twenty first birthday. He served honorably for four years and received specialized training in radio repair and operations. He was awarded medals of Good Conduct, Korean Service, National Defense, and United Nations Service. Donald separated from service with an honorable discharge on May, 16, 1955. He returned to Baltimore, reenrolled at Morgan State College and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in physics in 1959. He taught mathematics briefly in the Baltimore Public School System from 1960 to 1961. In 1961 Donald became employed at the Maryland State Department of Juvenile Services as a probationary officer. Over his thirty-three-year career at the department, Donald obtained a

Master's degree in correctional education from Coppin State College in 1972, advanced to the position of Assistant Area Director in 1989, and retired in August 1994.

Donald enjoyed family and friends, and was a very generous, compassionate, and giving person willing to help others in need. Through God's blessings he was there to provide care and support for his mother and two brothers; Lewis and John. He had a special relationship with his only sister Mildred and they would always spend quality time together during her visits home from out of state. Donald always made a point to support each of his nephews when in need and other family members as well. Although Donald never married, he had a treasured relationship with his life partner, the late Barbara A. Jackson, and fostered his love as a stepfather to Vanessa L. Jackson and grandfather to Ryan K. Johnson who he fondly named "Juice." He shared many special moments and occasions with his extended family for more than 55 years. He was truly a beloved member of their family.

After retirement, Donald devoted a lot of his time engaging and supporting management, staff, as well as regular customers that he would see daily as part of his morning ritual to visit Dunkin Donuts for a cup of coffee and donut. His gift of kindness would include transporting some of their family members to school, to work, and even run errands for management. Starting from a chance meeting at Dunkin Donuts, a special bond was formed between Donald and John Seymour. John soon began to provide Donald assistance and care in his moments of need and the family is forever grateful.

Donald enjoyed watching and attending sports including NBA basketball, NFL football, MLB baseball, horseracing, and golf. When the Ravens were established in Baltimore, Donald, with both his brothers and three nephews acquired season tickets and attended home games together. He also enjoyed watching cowboy western TV shows during his leisure. Donald was a member

of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Donald found comfort and peace with the word of God and read his bible daily. He would attend New Shiloh Baptist Church when able and accompanied John Seymour at his church at times during the last few years. It was from this spiritual foundation that Donald continued to do God's work for family, friends, and others.

Donald is predeceased by his parents, his two brothers; Lewis H. Richardson, Jr. and John William Richardson, one nephew; A. Khaleef Ali, and loving partner Barbara A. Jackson. He is survived by his sister, Mildred R. Worthy; three nephews, Hamilton Richardson, Guy B. Richardson, and Keith C. Richardson; one sister-in-law, Catherine W. Richardson; one brother-in-law, Clifford Worthy; and extended family members Elizabeth Harris Adams, Vanessa L. Jackson, and Ryan K. Johnson.

# Cemetery Details

## Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road  
Owings Mills, MD

# Previous Events

## VIEWING ONLY

FEB **19**. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald M. Richardson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *We are sending our thoughts and prayers to the Richardson family. We both worked with Mr. Richardson at Juvenile Services, we will always remember his kind, warm spirit. He was a man of dignity and respect. May God comfort you at this difficult time.*  
*Charles and Evelyn Green*

**Evelyn Green** - February 20, 2021 at 08:20 PM



“ *I arrived for work at 2406 Greenmount Avenue in January 1980 where Donald was the Eastern District Manager for what was then the Juvenile Services Administration. I spent over tens years there and came to know Donald as the consummate gentleman and professional. How he managed to maintain his composure and good humor through out is still a mystery to me. I believe he had everyone's respect. He had my respect, admiration, and affection.*

*Bob Davis*

**ROBERT C DAVIS** - February 19, 2021 at 05:47 PM



“ *I am saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. Richardson. He was a dedicated employee and was always fair and eager to help. Condolences to the family and may he be at PEACE.*

**cora scribner** - February 19, 2021 at 05:02 PM

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“ *To the Family of Donald Richardson :*

*Mr. Richardson was one of a group of men who mentored me at the Department of Juvenile Services. He treated the staff with dignity and respect. It was a blessing for me to have known him. Almighty God , rest his soul.*

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**Keith Bridgeforth** - February 18, 2021 at 02:23 PM

 Donna  
El-Amin

“ *Praying for the comfort to friends and family of Donald Richardson. I meet Donald in the 80's at the Department of Juvenile Services. He was always a kind man who lead by example and no nonsense. May the memories bring comfort to those he leaves behind on this side.*

*Donna D. Holman El-Amin*

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**Donna El-Amin** - February 17, 2021 at 01:03 PM

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“ *I wish to express my sympathy to Mr.Richardson's family. He was a true leader and inspiration during my tenure at The Department of Juvenile Services. He brought out the best in his staff and always treated us with Dignity and Respect. He was a caring and decent man, and I admired him as a role model. The last time I saw him was at a Raven's Game and he gave me the biggest hug and expressed that he was happy to see me. I hope that when I see him again, I can return that Hug and let him know that I am happy to see him" In Glory".*

*Thanks for everything and My God's Blessing be on You as you go to your well-deserved Rest!*

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**Lawrence Gillis** - February 17, 2021 at 11:16 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - February 11, 2021 at 11:30 AM