



## John W. Richardson

June 30, 1933 - September 3, 2019

John William Richardson was born on June 30, 1933. He was the youngest of four children born to the late May V. Richardson and Lewis H. Richardson, Sr. formerly of Denison Road in Baltimore.

John attended Booker T. Washington for Junior High School and he went on to graduate from Douglass High School in February of 1951. He had many jobs as a teenager that included working with his brother, Donald, for the original Periser's Bakery on Pennsylvania Avenue that was a few steps away from their home on Sanford Place. He attended Morgan State College before he began his career with the United States Postal Service in Baltimore.

In his early twenties, he was married to Mildred Talbott and they had one son, John W. Richardson, Jr., whom everyone called Ricky. Ricky later changed his name to Khaleef. Shortly after the end of his first marriage, John entered the United States Army in July of 1958 and served at West Point in the Armor Division until July of 1960. He was very proud of his experience at West Point and often spoke of the valuable comradery, discipline, organization, and challenges that he experienced while serving.

After his honorable discharge from the Army, John resumed his exemplary career with the USPS. He began as a distribution clerk. He was then promoted to the position of supervisor and continued to ascend to become the Manager of Address Program Support for the region, overseeing the conversion to the nine digit zip code. He retired in 1989, after 35 years of service, helping many individuals further their careers along the way. For his

retirement gala his colleagues wrote, "Thank you for being an inspiration to us."

While in junior high school, John had met Myra Carney at age 13. The two maintained a wonderful friendship through those years and graduated from high school together. They reconnected when they worked together on the planning committee for their 10 year high school reunion. They married in 1963 and from this union was born one son, Keith Carney Richardson. To K.C., his dad was his teacher, cheerleader, and closest friend. By his example, he taught him the values of responsible parenthood, integrity, hard work, humility, and the sharing of time and skills with family and community. John intensely loved his granddaughters, sons, and wife. He was also devoted to his siblings, his close friends and their well-being. He was willing to lend a hand whenever he could. Throughout his life he enjoyed playing and watching sports, going to the race track, listening to jazz, traveling, and cooking. He loved to entertain his friends as he did with his club, The Esquires. He loved preparing meals for family like he did for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

John slipped away on September 3, 2019 after several weeks of hospitalization with his family by his side. He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Myra Carney Richardson, his eldest son, Abdullah Khaleef Ali (formerly John William Richardson, Jr.) and his eldest brother, Dr. Lewis H. Richardson, Jr.

John leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted son, Keith Richardson; three granddaughters, Alesia Richardson, Alexis Richardson, and Zayne Ali; one sister, Mildred Worthy; one brother, Donald Richardson; one daughter-in-law, Regina Ali; four sisters-in-law, Catherine Richardson, Sonya Brown, Theresa Lyons, and Janice Carney; three brothers-in-law, Dwight Carney, Clifford Worthy, and Maxwell Lyons; and a host of many other family and friends.

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SEP 13. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Family Hour

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# Tribute Wall



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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



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September 11, 2019 at 02:14 PM



“ *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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