



Richard Ira Lewis Sr.

July 29, 1991 - May 23, 2014

Flight Time: 9:00 p.m., Friday, May 23, 2014 Destination: To Be With Jesus
In the land of God's tomorrow lies a city bright and fair; Beyond life's golden sunset and our loved one awaits us there; Tis a place of wondrous beauty where he knows no grief or fears and where God Himself in tenderness shall wipe away all tears; So we rejoice in knowing that our loved one has found peace in the land of God's tomorrow where His blessing never cease.

On Friday, May 23, 2014, our beloved Richard Ira Lewis, Sr. ended this earthly life and began his eternal life with our Heavenly Father.

A TIME TO BE BORN On July 29, 1991, Richard Ira Lewis, Sr. was born to Alexis Brown Maddox and Richard H. Lewis in Towson, Maryland.

A TIME TO LIVE Richard, affectionately known as "Ira" was a native Baltimorean. He received his education in both the Baltimore City School System and the Catholic School System. In the 10th grade, Ira attended IDEA in Washington, DC, following his Army ROTC instructor, Major Lewis from Forest Park Senior High School, Baltimore, Maryland, whom he affectionately called "Pop". Later he returned to Baltimore and graduated from Mergenthaler Vocational Senior High School in 2009. Ira received many awards while in ROTC. After graduation, Ira attended CCBC upon receiving a scholarship from the White's Memorial Circle Scholarship Fund at Concord Baptist Church. Ira accepted Jesus the Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age. One day, he expressed to Dr. Jones (his pastor) that he wanted to join the Church but

was afraid to walk down the aisle alone. Dr. Jones explained that the deacon would take him down, but Ira said they looked scary. Dr. Jones asked, who would you like to walk with you, and Ira said, you. That next Sunday, which was Youth Sunday, Dr. Jones walked him down the aisle to join Concord Baptist Church. There, he was an usher, a boy scout, and a active participant in the youth ministry. Ira loved to attend the State Wide Institute and the National Baptist .Congress of Christian Education Conventions.

Ira was employed with the State of Maryland, University of Maryland, Baltimore City. As a youngster, Ira worked with the summer camp at Concord one year. When he received his check which was a stipend of \$25.00 for helping with the camp, he was so proud. The next summer, he began working with his favorite uncle "Tony" John Brown. When he received his first check, he could not believe his eyes! He thought he was rich, and that he had hit the jackpot. It was only when he starting working for Baltimore City Parks and Recreation as a Life Guard that he realized that money took a long time to make and a short time to spend.

Ira was introduced to many sports: basketball, soccer, lacrosse, baseball, karate, and swimming (where he wanted to out do Brooke), but football was his niche and there he found his way. There he met some of the best mentors in the city and today we are still a family. Ira lived life to the fullest; always at full throttle. He was passionate in every activity he pursued. He played sports and rode his motorcycle hard. Fast and Furious describes his outlook on life. On December 12, 2012 at 12 o'clock noon, Ira married his love and friend, Katrina Crutch. Dr. Jones said, "they are getting married on 12·12·12 at 12." Ira loved Katrina so much, he had to marry her twice. The second time they married, the ceremony was officiated by Rev. Timothy McFadden. Ain't love grand! This union produced one child, Richard Ira Jr.

Ira truly loved and valued his family and friends. You could always look forward to him wanting to sit in your lap or snuggle if you were an aunt or close cousin. He was loved by many and shall truly be missed by all that knew him.

A TIME TO DIE Ira leaves to celebrate his memory, a loving and devoted wife, Katrina; four sons, Torrence, Damari, Dillan and Richard Ira Jr., parents: Richard H. Lewis and Rev. Kenneth and Alexis Maddox, one sister: Brooke A. Johnson Knighton (Roland), bonus siblings: Jade Root, Alexandra Maddox, Takiyah Lewis and Kenneth Jr., five aunts: Roslyn Bridgeforth, Tanya Jackson, Brandy Brown, Rosemary Vaughn, Deborah Lewis and Patricia Lewis; two uncles: Thomas Jr., and Michael Lewis, two nephews: Winston Knighton and Roland Knighton Jr., parents-in-law: Dexter and Victoria Caruth, one sister-in-law: Anitria Bullock (Jonathan), one brother-in-law: Carlton Crutch and a host of great aunts, great uncles, cousins, other family members and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 1. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Randallstown
5616 Old Court Road
Windsor Mill, MD 21244
(410) 655-0110
<https://www.marchlifetributecenter.com>

Wake

JUN 2. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Concord Baptist Church
5204 Liberty Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Ira Lewis Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *It's I miss you so much man. I get into my spells when I just cry. Losing was like losing someone twice. You were my brother and my best friend. I read your letter you sent me while I was deployed and away from family and friend and just cry. I look at pictures of you coming to my track meets supporting me. I remember whenever you done with swimming practice you would come wait for me to get done with track or volleyball. Then you me and Amanda would all walk home together. It didn't matter when I came home on leave from the Army you always made time for me. Our conversations over the phone are truly missed!! Life isn't hard but it is hard knowing I can't pick up the phone to call you! I love you bro #4 always* 

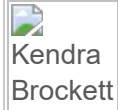
Stephàni Underrated - September 05, 2022 at 07:56 AM



“ *I miss you ira I remember we use to have fun outside and I remember you use to get mad cause we use to come to the front of ur house and start singing to make you come outside you was a good friend and I will never forget about you miss you ira I know we wasn't on good terms before u pass but I know you was still a good friend and you didn't forget about us.*



Kendra Brockett - May 06, 2016 at 02:22 PM



Kendra Brockett

I also remember calling you Chrisbrown you look just like him and everytime I see Chrisbrown I think about you

Kendra Brockett - May 06, 2016 at 02:27 PM

DA

“ we met up forest park u was my round we use to go down mawdain mall after school all the time me u and rod and david ect was a click its crazy how close every body was now every body doing there own thing damn i just had u on my mind woe woe rest up



darryl - October 09, 2015 at 11:14 AM

AS

“ I extend my condolences to the family of Ira Lewis. The Bible offers words of comfort and speaks of a time when death, pain and suffering will no longer exist.(Rev. 21:4) Acts 24:15 lovingly declares – “There is going to be a resurrection.” We have the loving assurance from God’s word that we can have an opportunity to see our loved ones again, in the coming paradise on earth. Imagine being reunited with Ira again, on paradise earth. What a wonderful hope to look forward to!

There is much Bible based comfort to be found on the website www.jw.org. Again, I am very sorry for your loss and I pray this message brings you real comfort.

Annie Sollers - June 06, 2014 at 02:57 PM

NY

“ To the family Act 24:15 I am Soo Sorry to hear this. Ira parents/family are in my prayers. Stay strong. May God comfort you in these hard times. Love Always. Be Blessed.
From :Nichole, Margo, Julian: Aaron Young's family.

Nichole Young - June 02, 2014 at 09:45 AM

JD

“ Ira was one of my oldest sons schoolmates and they participated in the j.r.o.t.c. together after graduating and going their separate ways. My son was not fairing so well, he began getting into trouble, but being the kind soul that he was he would stop by to talk to him and try to encourage him to get it together. I as a parent am so thankful for the opportunity to have met and been in his company my condolences to the family, and be comforted to know to be absent from the body is to be present with the lord.



Juzell Dobbins - June 01, 2014 at 11:12 AM

DE

“ Your BCSC family has you in our prayers. Ira was our family as well. We loved him and will miss him dearly. In the days, weeks and months ahead, we can't erase your pain, but we certainly are willing to help in any way that we can.

Dee-Dee - May 28, 2014 at 10:07 PM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 5yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!

Ms Springer - May 28, 2014 at 06:38 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.

March Funeral Homes - May 28, 2014 at 03:16 PM