



## Deacon Richard D. Oliver, Sr.

March 25, 1939 - July 21, 2024

Deacon Richard Dorsworth Oliver, Sr., peacefully passed from labor to reward on July 21, 2024.

Richard was born March 25, 1939, to the late Henry N. Oliver and Edna P. Oliver. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lillie G. Oliver, son, Richard D. Oliver, Jr., and brother Henry C. Oliver.

Richard (Bobo) graduated from Maggie L. Walker High School in 1957. He furthered his education at Kittrell College (NC) and after graduation attended University of Pennsylvania. He returned home and continued his education at Virginia Union University where he received his clinical for teaching at Carver Middle School.

Richard married Patricia Upshaw and together they had two children, Richard D. Oliver, Jr. and Araminta Oliver Coleman. To support his family, Bobo went to work for Sears where he worked tirelessly for many years before retiring.

Richard joined the Fifth Street Baptist Church in 1949 at the age of ten where he remained active until his illness. He was a faithful member of the Diaconate Ministry for forth-eight years, a member of the Personnel Committee, Christian Education Ministry, and a teacher in the Brotherhood Sunday School Class.

Richard was a loyal member of the King David Lodge No. 28 for many years. He formed many friendships throughout the years of his membership that lasted until his death.

Richard was a lovable and compassionate person. He truly loved the Lord and his family.

He leaves wonderful memories to be cherished by his loving and devoted daughter, Araminta Oliver Coleman (Barry); grandchildren, Lakishia M. Garrett (Benjamin), Brenden R. Oliver, Nia J. Oliver, Isaiah Davis, Barry Coleman, Jr., DeShae Coleman; great-grandchildren- Daveyon Mosby, Keisjon Mosby, Bria Davis, Jamir Davis, Jayaun Oliver, Sayel Oliver and Michelle David; daughter-in-law-Dionne Oliver; Cynthia G. Mickle (Paulus) and Kenneth A. Gary (Nicole); sister, Helen L. Oliver; brother, Jessie J. Oliver; nephew, Dominique J. Oliver, and a host of cousins, family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

AUG 1. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Celebration of life with live streaming

AUG 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Deacon Richard D. Oliver, Sr.*



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**March Funeral Homes** - July 30, 2024 at 11:10 AM

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“ *Sorry to hear of the passing of your love one, May God be with the family. Keep the Faith. May Mr. Oliver Rest In Peace. Love Debra Beard Crew.*

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**Debra Crew** - August 01, 2024 at 05:50 PM

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“ *Selissa Brown and Family purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Deacon Richard D. Oliver, Sr..*



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**Selissa Brown and Family** - July 31, 2024 at 05:00 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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**March Funeral Homes** - July 26, 2024 at 10:50 AM