



Charles Ricardo Wells

April 19, 1953 - May 8, 2026

“Art is a Journey and Struggle... Every line, every smudge and accident is a record of them.” — C. R. Wells

Charles Ricardo Wells — professionally known as C. R. Wells, and affectionately called “Rickey” by family and friends — passed away on May 8, 2026, at the age of 73.

Born on April 19, 1953, in Washington, D.C., Rickey was raised in the District by his late parents, Gladys and James Wells, and attended Calvin Coolidge High School. Rickey served as a Junior Deacon at Second New Saint Paul Baptist Church. He built a working life rooted in service, spending years as a transporter at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

Off the clock, he lived by a simple manifesto: “To Seek & Find ART.” A gifted mixed media artist and painter, Rickey was known for his striking abstracts and lifelike portraits — work that revealed the quiet depth of the man behind the brush.

Reserved, talented, and content to live a simple life, Rickey loved his family deeply and was a lifelong cinephile who could recite every word of his favorite film, Pulp Fiction.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Brenda Wells. He leaves behind to cherish his memory his devoted sisters, Brenda Fortune, Diane Williams (Charles), and Sylvia Davis (Partner, Dannie), along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Services will be held Friday, May 22, 2026, at Marshall-March Funeral Homes — Prince George's County, 4308 Suitland Road, Suitland, MD 20746.

Visitation 10:00 – 11:00 AM, followed by the funeral service at 11:00 AM.

Cemetery Details

Lincoln Memorial Cemeteey

4001 Suitland Road
Suitland, MD 20746

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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