



Harry A. Richardson, Sr.

January 9, 1927 - November 10, 2017

Burial for Mr. Harry Archibald Richardson, Sr., will take place on Thursday, December 14, 2107, at 11:00 A.M., with military honors at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery located on 11301 Crain Highway, Cheltenham, MD 20623.

Remembering Harry Archibald Richardson, Sr.

Well done, thou good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of your Lord

Matthew 25:21

Harry Archibald Richardson, Sr. departed this life on Friday, November 10, 2017. Born in Washington, D.C., on January 9, 1927, he was the son of the late Julian and Mary Richardson.

Harry was educated in the public schools of the District of Columbia and attended the Washington College of Music. He faithfully served our country in the U.S. Army, the U.S. Army Reserves, and the District of Columbia National Guard (military police). He had a long and successful career in law enforcement. He retired as the Chief of the Protective Services Branch at the

Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, D.C. after 32 years of service. He received numerous citations for his outstanding performance. He also served on the Board of Directors for the Federal Credit Union for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Following his federal retirement, he held the position of Chief of Security at the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) in the District of Columbia for five years.

He was a gifted musician. In addition to singing, he played the guitar and the piano. He was one of the original members of the Drifters, a vocal group that was formed in 1950's. He was also a Master Mason. His membership was with Prince Hall Lodge #14 in the District of Columbia.

Harry was a member of St. Mary's Baptist Church for 32 years and served in many capacities including Chairperson of the Trustee Board, Trustee, Superintendent of Church School, Wednesday Noonday Bible Facilitator, and member of the Men's Choir. He was a mentor for many people. And, he received many accolades for his diligent and faithful service to his church and the community.

Harry leaves cherished memories with his wife of 30 years, Joy; his sons Michael Sr. (Valencia), Donald (Nora), and Harry (Buddy) Jr. (Natasha); five grandchildren Michael Jr., Michael C. (Lanette), Tosha, Christian, and Marley; and three great-grandchildren Kamal, Gabriel, and Nia; his sisters Rosemary Gleaton and Ernestine Doby; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. In addition to his parents, his brother, Samuel, and his sisters, Bernice Gooch and Willie Mae Lewis, preceded him in death.

To every thing there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under the Heaven:
Ecclesiastes 3:1

Cemetery Details

Cheltenham

Cheltenham, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Baptist Church
8008 Eastern Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20012

Service

NOV **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Harry A. Richardson, Sr.*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *We the March Family and Marshall-March 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.*

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - November 18, 2017 at 08:37 AM