



## Ronald Andrew Jackson

May 6, 1959 - March 29, 2024

Ronald Andrew Jackson was born in Washington, DC on May 6, 1959, the third of six children to the union of parents Eleanor Elaine (née Fortune) and Andrew Lewis Jackson. He departed this life on Friday March 29, 2024 at the age of 64 years.

Ronald's primary education began at St. Thomas Moore Catholic School. He later attended Ballou Senior High School, graduating in 1977. While committed to learning, Ronald always knew how to balance work and play. At a young age, he developed many leisure interests, including art, combat movies/shows and sports. He also showed a heartfelt appreciation for music and games, relaxing as he blasted old school R&B throughout his West Virginia home or playing for hours as he enjoyed time with online bid-whist friends.

Ronald enlisted in the United States Navy after high school. He proudly served for a decade as an aviation electronic technician., crossing oceans while assigned to the USS ENTERPRISE (CVN-65) and USS AMERICA (CV-66). Ronald's passion for sports and exploration crossed during this time. Residing in Jacksonville, Florida, he actively participated in football for the Navy. Receiving an honorable discharge and retiring from the US Navy in 1988, Ronald transitioned his electrical expertise to a new role as an electrical technician at the United States Postal Service, where he dedicated himself

until his retirement in 2018.

Throughout his life, Ronald developed numerous friendships and remained connected to his family, regularly checking on relatives, near and far, with a call on birthdays, holidays or for no particular reason at all. He hosted gatherings during which he would eagerly share his sports insights, his review of a newly visited restaurant or a comical joke. When he was unable to leave his home as often, Ronald virtually attended events including church services at Alfred Street Baptist Church (Alexandria, VA). Even as his health declined, Ronald's humor, strong will and faith in Jehovah God kept his spirits high until his passing.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents, Elaine and Andrew Jackson, brother, Anthony Jackson, niece, Andrea Jackson, aunts, Mary Vincent and Miriam Fortune, and uncles, Lloyd Fortune and Herbert Powell.

His family is left to cherish his memory: His siblings, Tina Jackson, Roger Jackson Sr. (Yvonne), Julie Jackson, David Jackson (Karla), and sister-in-law Peggy Jackson (brother Anthony). His nieces and nephews, Robin (Darius), Kimberly (Andrew), Sade, Jasmin, Camay, Parris, Roger Jr., Nathaniel, Matthew, Kennedy, Khamani, Ayanna, Amare, Lailah and Omari. His aunts and uncles, Jean, Mary, Beryl, Virginia, Russell, Judy, Curtis Vincent, Sr. and a host of other cousins, family and friends. Ronald will be deeply missed. May his memory be forever imprinted on our hearts.

From the pseudo-desk of:

TM Jackson

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# Cemetery Details

## Quantico National Cemetery

Triangle, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

MARSHALL-MARCH FUNERAL HOME OF MD  
4308 SUITLAND ROAD SUITLAND MARYLAND 20746  
SUITLAND  
SUITLAND, MD 20746

## Service

APR 12. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Marshall-March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Ronald Andrew Jackson*



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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - April 03, 2024 at 12:25 PM

KJ

“ *Thoughts and prayers from friends and family....*



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**Karla Jackson** - April 16, 2024 at 12:23 AM

“ I wanted to share a few words about our beloved Ronald. Ronald was my brother-in-law and I’m honored and privileged to have this opportunity to express a few words about Ronald. Like most of us, I’m still in disbelief we are here again after a few months of having laid my father-in-law to rest. It breaks my heart to be visiting again under these circumstances.

My husband, David Jackson, our boys, and I were all planning to fly out to visit Ronald a week or so prior to his passing, but unfortunately it was during a busy travel time of spring break and there were no standby tickets for all of us to fly out together. However, God is so good and always makes a way and my husband was blessed to get a seat to fly out to visit Ronald and I’m happy that he was able to visit him and spend some time with him. The trip was a surprise trip and no one in the family knew David was visiting. I envisioned when Ronald saw my husband he would be excited and happy to see him but my husband told that when Ronald saw him he said “what you doing here”....I thought that was funny because it was the opposite of how I envisioned the encounter to be and definitely sounded like something Ronald would say. He had a dry sense of humor but I’m sure he was happy to see his little brother.

While David was visiting Ronald he FaceTimed me and the boys for us to say hi and lift up his spirits and we chatted for a bit. Our exchange that day was not like our normal conversations and I wished I had the opportunity to have had a one-on-one with him in person so that I could have spoken life, encouragement, faith and grace into his life, and let him know how much he was loved

*and how God was with him every step of the way and for him not to fear the challenges and difficulties he was facing and to remain optimistic and hopeful, I kept praying, we all kept praying. We all were hoping for things to take a turn for the best.*

*Ronald was definitely one of a kind, down to earth, straight forward, very thoughtful, kindhearted, caring, tenacious, family oriented, selfless, and generous.*

*Speaking of generosity, I have a funny recent story to share, my eldest son Nathaniel celebrated his birthday in late January and Ronald and I spoke shortly after Nathaniel's birthday. We were catching up and he wanted to know how Nathaniel's birthday was and I told him about it. He later asked me if I had a Cashapp account and I told him I did. So we ended up wrapping up our conversation and next thing you know I get a notification from Cashapp that he had sent some money. After seeing the amount, I couldn't accept. I declined it and he immediately called me back asking why I had declined and I told him I couldn't accept it because it was too much and I just couldn't considering he had his own bills, and I'm sure his medical expenses were adding up. I just didn't feel right, and I said to him "hold up" I thought you couldn't see very well. Since he would tell people he couldn't see and that was my understanding as well. And he laughed. So next thing you know we start going on a negotiation battle about this money. I couldn't believe we were going back and forth about this for almost half an hour. David was side barring me and whispering at me saying if you don't accept, he's going to send it to me so accept it. I was just shaking my head...like wow. We later agreed on a fair amount. He would not take "no" for an answer. He was very persistent.*

*My point is he was determined and headstrong but all coming from a loving place and giving heart. That's who he was. Someone who helped others especially in their time of need. No questions asked.*

*As I reflect on our last conversation when we FaceTimed I did not realize that would be my last interaction with him. My only regret is I realized after we ended our call I didn't say "I love you" to him. But I figured I would have the opportunity again when we visited, and I had my heart to heart and one-on-one time with him. I'm sad I didn't get to say goodbye to him in person. When I heard he had expressed his last wishes. We rushed to make arrangements for me and the boys to fly out and visit him because I did not want my last memory of him or last time, I saw him like this, so me and the boys were going to fly out a couple of days after his last wishes but next thing you know he was called home and gained his wings.*

*I was devastated and heartbroken.*

*With us now living in Hawaii, the culture in Hawaii is all about family and the Aloha. Aloha has the significance of kindness, unity that is expressed with harmony, gentleness that is expressed with pleasantness, humility that is expressed with modesty, and patience that is expressed with perseverance. Aloha is a spiritual principle that conveys the deepest expression of one's relationships with family, community, and with one's friends and strangers.*

*Ronald exudes all these characteristics. He had strong family values, and practiced unity, he tried to keep his family together after the passing of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson which speak volumes about who he was. A family-first type of person. Ronald was special. He was intentional with his family, and he stayed connected with those he cared about.*

*With all the losses we've had in the Jackson family and now with Ronald's recent passing I think about many things and how precious life is and how short our lives are and how like they say tomorrow is never promised. We need to be more attentive and have more appreciation for our loved ones and not take them for granted, especially for those of us left behind.*

*I think about what's going on in the world with the chaos and haywire going on in society. We must take care of our health, use our time wisely and begin fulfilling our dreams, because our time is short. Let's gain new knowledge and educate ourselves, learn a new skill, get into God's word because it's the best book for self-improvement and how to live your life. Let's apply God's word, and do better with how we treat one another.*

*Change in the world starts with us especially if we want to see change. We have to love better and build stronger bonds with our loved ones, we need more unity and connectivity in our families and with those we call friends, we have to love one another and not just with words but through actions, support, and encouragement. Let's take initiative and begin showing up for people especially in their time of need, even if the person does not ask for help just show up for them anyway. Let's not be so caught up with how helping someone or even in our communities or church activities is an inconvenience for our schedules. Make time, because that's what love is and serving one another as God wants us to do. We have to be a person of our word especially when we say we're going to do something specifically, do it, and not just say things to be saying it, we have to be more mindful, considerate, and intentional with one another and not be so distracted with what the world offers these days, such as money, status, unhealthy habits, gossip, vanity, entertainment, material things, etc.*

*We must leave any disappointment, discord, and strife with people, friends, family, or coworkers in the past. We must learn how to forgive one another, be the bigger person, and rise above. Because let's not forget one day we are all going to be judged. Let's learn to build each other up instead of bringing each other down with comments, behaviors, and attitudes that are not of value. Let's learn to use discernment and have more sensitivity so we are not unintentionally hurting one another. I know it's difficult and easier said than done, sometimes it's easier to be mad or get back at someone that's hurt you than talking things out and*

*resolving an issue than loving one another and being kind, gracious, and understanding.*

*We all make mistakes and deserve a second chance. Let's have more awareness and learn to acknowledge, take ownership, and apologize when we have hurt someone. We are fleshly and cannot do things right in our own strength. Ask God to help change any characteristics that are not beneficial to others. Life is too short to be living unhappy, stressed, worried, negative, and with disharmony, and holding on to things of the past. That alone drains so much energy and it's just time wasted.*

*Let go and give your problems to God and He will provide, restore, and rebuild any relationships you are having difficulties with. Be present and have more appreciation for the gift of family, time, good health, resources, nourishment, a home, and the people God has placed and blessed us with in our lives.*

*Let's start living more like how God wants us to live our lives. With love, purpose, intention, righteousness, and obedience. But the only way we could do that is with Him. Ask God to help you with any weaknesses you may have, and He will begin to cleanse your soul and purify your spirit. I know this because He's done it for me and my husband when we've gone through difficult times and He's still working in our lives and our spiritual growth. Let's rejoice and practice more of the fruit of the spirit: love, joy, patience, peace, kindness, faithfulness, goodness, gentleness, and self-control. When it's our time to go, let's leave this world a better place and not add to the chaos going on in the world.*

*Ronald fought a good fight and I'm so proud of his will, drive, and backbone in his last days despite all the challenges he was going through. He had strength, determination, fortitude, perseverance, and tenacity. He was strong, generous with love and a warm heart, and had resilience. He has clearly modeled how we are to be with family and how to face adversity. He is now in paradise, as I like to*

*call it, a glorious place that I look forward to being part of one day, in a new body, renewed soul, refreshed spirit and with other family members who have passed on and in a much better place than we are. I thank God for sharing Ronald with us, for allowing us to witness true kindness, selflessness, humility, and for the time we spent with Ronald. Until we meet again, Ronald. I love you and I'm going to miss you very much.*

*Karla Jackson*

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**Karla Jackson** - April 15, 2024 at 11:22 AM

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“*We, the 1977 Class of Ballou Sr. High School (Washington, DC) expresses our deepest condolences at the passing of our friend and classmate, Ronald. We recently learned of his passing, yet that does not deter us from keeping his family and friends in our thoughts and prayers. May the love you have for him always fill your hearts and minds with remembrances of good times. We pray that God will comfort you all during this time and bring you peace in the coming days.*”

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**Ballou Class of 1977** - April 11, 2024 at 05:08 PM

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*Thank you so much for your kind words and sincere condolences. It's a blessing to see and know that our brother was so loved. He truly was kind and good hearted and will be missed.*

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**Julie Jackson** - April 16, 2024 at 09:15 AM

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“ *The Lane Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Ronald Andrew Jackson.*



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**The Lane Family** - April 11, 2024 at 12:20 PM

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“ *To The Family of Ronald Jackson, my family offers our sincere condolences and prayers to you. Working with Ron was at the USPD for 8 yrs. I transferred to Metro but his friendship, laughter and smile will always be cherished.*



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**Butch Lewis (Tulsa, OK)** - April 08, 2024 at 10:59 AM

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*Thank you so very much for your sincere condolences, your kindness and most especially for being in Ron's life.*

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**Julie Jackson** - April 16, 2024 at 09:05 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.*

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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - April 03, 2024 at 11:20 AM