

Order of Service

FAMILY VISITATION
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy and Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Old Testament
New Testament
Jasmine Jeter

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Reverend Dr. Marcus Barr

MUSICAL TRIBUTE
TAMIKO REID
"SAFE IN HIS ARMS"

REFLECTIONS
(2-3 minutes each)
Family and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS &
RESOLUTIONS

OBITUARY READING
(Read Silently or Aloud)

EULOGY
Reverend Dr. Marcus Barr

RECESSIONAL

In Loving Memory OF



Ricardo
"PUNKIN"
EDWARDS, SR.

SUNRISE: 10-4-1979

SUNSET: 02-20-2026

Saturday
March 7, 2026
3:00 PM

Douthit Funeral Home.
515 Specialty Park Drive
Winston Salem, NC 27105

Reverend Dr. Marcus Barr
Eulogist

Obituary

Ricardo Lamont Edwards, Sr. lovingly known as "Punkin," was born on October 4, 1979, in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. On February 20, 2026, he departed this life, leaving behind cherished memories and a lasting presence in the hearts of those who loved him.

Ricardo was someone you felt when he entered a room. He carried strength in his spirit, loyalty in his heart, and a presence that lingered. Those who knew him understood his humor, his determination, and the way he stood firm in his own way. His love ran deep, even when it wasn't always spoken.

He was educated in the Winston-Salem Forsyth County Schools and attended West Forsyth High School, where he played basketball and football. An all-around athlete, he embraced both competition and the connections formed through teamwork.

Fatherhood was part of his life's journey. He was the father of nine children, Ricardo D. Edwards Jr., Diamond Williamson, Destiny Edwards, Ricardo L. Edwards Jr., Legend Edwards, Nevaeh Edwards, Jayden Kotary, Jeremiah Davis, and Janaziyah Edwards. They carry his name and pieces of his spirit within them. Through them, his story continues.

He is survived by his brother, Ricky Edwards, his sisters, Jacara Edwards and Phileatha Edwards, and his devoted cousins, Teron Edwards, Chris Edwards, Teronica Edwards, and Nathaniel Sykes. He also leaves a host of extended family members and dear friends who will remember his resilience, laughter, and the mark he left on their lives.

Ricardo is also survived by Carma Kirksey and Amanda Williamson-Edwards, with whom he shared devoted and meaningful unions built on love, dedication, and deep respect. Those bonds remained a cherished part of his life's journey.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Jacqueline Edwards, his father, Richard "Dickey," his sister, Angel, his grandmother, Doretha Edwards, and his uncles, Ronald Edwards and Nathaniel Pouncey.

Though we were not ready to say goodbye, Ricardo's life left an imprint that will endure. His name will live on in stories, in memories, and in the hearts of those who loved him. He will always remain a part of us.

"A Life Well Lived, A Love Well Remembered"



This Is Not Goodbye

I did not want to leave you, It was just my time to go.
 I know your heart is breaking, so I need to let you know.
 That although you can no longer see me. I'll be forever by your side.
 I promise time will numb the pain. And help dry the tears you've cried
 You can reach me in your memories. Just think of me, I will be there.
 In your dreams, we can visit yesteryear where we didn't have a care
 Please carry on and live your life. I beg of you to try. Just know we'll meet again one day,
 As this is not goodbye.

Acknowledgements

We, The Family of Ricardo Edwards, Sr. wish to express our sincere thanks and
 gratitude for the many comforting acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us..
 May God forever bless you.

Professional Service Entrusted to

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