

How can I find the words to let you know how much I care
To thank you for always being there?
As my tears fall, I think back to times long gone,
When you would be the strength that I leaned on.
I will always remember the happiness
You brought throughout the years.
Although they are sweet memories,
I cannot stop my tears.
You were always my protector,
you definitely made sure I could protect myself.
You're the best I could have hoped for,
And with gratitude I see, the sweet lifetime of devotion,
You invested here in me.

Love You Always,

Your Baby Girl

PALLBEARERS

Kenny Jackson, Will Riley, Ellis Siplin, Dan Gantt, Horace Jenkins, Derrick Frazier

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Phillip Henson, Lyonell Henson, John Moultry, Lavon McMillan, Jermey Johnson

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Family and Friends

INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery 4535 N. Main Street | Jacksonville, Florida 32206

REPAST

We're For Jesus Love Center 1551 N. Main Street | Jacksonville, Florida 32206

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We, the family of the late Richard M. Jefferson, III, would like to express our sincere gratitude for your prayers, kindness and thoughtfulness during our time of bereavement. Thank you for joining us to celebrate our loved one and keeping our family in your prayers.

With Love,

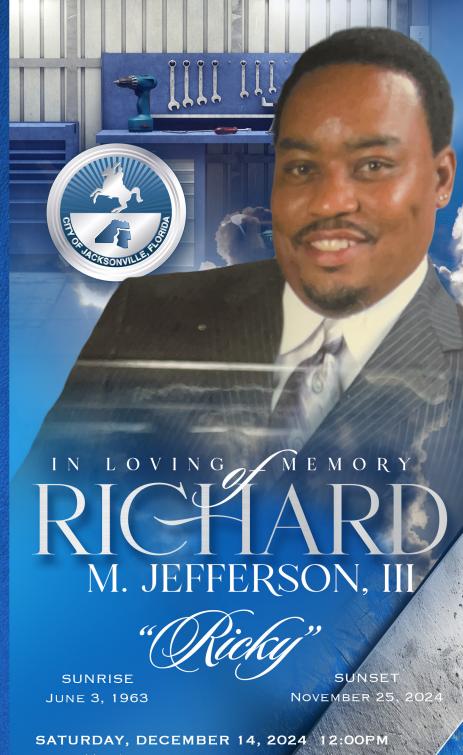
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024 12:00PM

MOUNT VERNON MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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ELDER HORACE PENDER, OFFICIATING

OBITUARY

Richard M. Jefferson, III, affectionately known as Ricky, was born on June 3, 1963, to the parents of Richard M. Jefferson, Sr., and Mattye H. Jefferson. He attended the local schools of Duval County and graduated from Jean Ribault Senior High School.

Ricky was employed with the City of Jacksonville Fleet Management Division where he was a dedicated and reliable employee for twenty-nine years. He was known for always going the extra mile to assist and offer support where needed.

He was member of Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church where he sang in the church choir. His family was overjoyed to see him thrive on something he truly loved.

One of his greatest passions was fishing, with many stories of the "big one" that got away. He also loved his furry pets, Max, Chopper and Taz, who were always at his side.

Richard had a unique sense of style and always dressed to impress. Sundays were especially meaningful to him, as he loved to cook a special meal for his favorite, Uncle Phillip, often saying, "Sundays are for me and my uncle."

Ricky was a proud father with his greatest joy being able to watch his children grow into beautiful young people. He was especially proud of his daughter, Courtney, for following her grandmother's footsteps in becoming a Registered Nurse. Ricky deeply admired the relationship his son, Brandon, had with his own children. Needless to say, Ricky was an all-around proud papa of his children and that pride was evident to everyone who knew him.

Our family will miss his charismatic charm, his love for old school Rhythm and Blues (R & B) music, the moments of grilling for family and friends and driving with his dogs by his side. We celebrate his life and the love and joy he brought to us all.

Ricky was preceded in death by his father: Richard M. Jefferson, Sr.; brother: Richard L. Jefferson; maternal and paternal grandparents: Helen Jefferson-Henson (Jasper) and Murphy Jefferson, Sr.; uncle: Arnell Henson; aunt: Luvenia Henson and cousin: Phillip Henson, Jr.

Left to cherish his memory is his daughter: Courtney Jefferson; son: Brandon Thomas (Sara); mother: Mattye Jefferson; two sisters: Beverly Jefferson Gowder (Michael) and Myrtis Jefferson; brother: Elwood Jefferson (Tracy); uncles: Lyonell Henson (Sharisse) and Phillip Henson; two nieces: Ri'coby Jefferson and Logan Jefferson; six grandchildren; family members: Ijau and Tynia Henson, Darius Henson and Charlotte Harris; devoted family friend: Charles Thompson (Tree); loving family and friends: Elder Horace Pender, Barrett McBride, Tesha Atkinson, Nadiah James, Kenny Jackson and Coach Reggie Lucas; fishing partners: Taz, Chopper and Max (his three favorite furry kids) and other relatives and friends.

