



Richard Allen Woodard

July 22, 1956 - November 2, 2021

“I can’t help but think about my dad and his relationship with his dad. He lost him at a young age and had to take over his church. Feeling how I’m feeling I can almost fathom what my dad was feeling 14 years younger than me. The thought that keeps me from breaking down is that my grandad is able to hug and kiss his son after so much time of being apart. I don’t want to be selfish. My dad was always there when I needed him...I feel like it’s raining and my umbrella is missing. Im drenched in tears, drenched in regret, drowning in puddles of memories when my dad picked me up from school because I was in trouble. My mind is clouded with thoughts of How he made sure I was settled in my dorm when I went off to college. How he bailed me out of trouble as an adult not knowing how to take care of myself. I had a real life superhero with amazing muscles, and a kind demeanor...he’s my Superman. I’m nowhere near his level as a person, even though he wasn’t perfect, he always saved the day. I love you dad and I appreciate you showing me that superheroes exist, they just don’t always wear capes. They have thick mustaches and carry bibles always preaching the gospel and praying for their family. My hero cleared a seven day work week in a single bound, just to make sure those he protected never went without. Honestly I’m glad he got to rest, when you work that hard you deserve it. God and my grandad have my pops now, but I woke up one morning...tears in my eyes, and I saw his face, I see his eyes, I see his nose, and I realized...he’s still here...and that’s my dad...he’s always there for my mom, my sister, and me.”

Marcus Woodard

My father was a great man of God. He was hard-working, full of integrity, and a wonderful provider. My earliest memories of him, were so sweet. He was always taking care of me. When I cried, he comforted me. Dad took such great care of everyone. He was the best encourager, prayer warrior and preacher. Daddy loved me so deeply. He was always so proud of me and told me every chance he got. I know what love is supposed to be like because of him. Out of everything I learned from watching his life, I learned to fall in love with Jesus. He instilled faith in us at an early age. He gathered us around the table to sing songs and read the Bible. He couldn't go one place without telling someone about Jesus. I remember one Christmas season we passed a Salvation Army bell ringer and he said "Do you know the reason for the season?" I was slightly embarrassed at first but I'm now so proud to say he was unapologetic about his faith and wanted everyone to know Jesus. My Dad was firm but gentle, strong yet compassionate. He was faithful to his family and more importantly faithful to God. I'm glad I got to tell him how much of an impact he made in my life. I wouldn't be the woman I am today without him. In so many ways I carry him in my own personhood, and its my mission to continue to make him proud for the rest of my life. My Dad left an incredible legacy of love and faith. I hope to leave that same impact on others. I am so thankful for the gift that he has been to me and our family. God truly blessed me with the best Dad in the world and for that I am forever grateful. I love you Daddy.

Thank you,
Shivon Woodard

(Richard Woodard's daughter)

Evangelist Richard A. Woodard, 65, of Hot Springs passed away, Monday, November 1, 2021. He was born July 22, 1956 in Fort Sill, Oklahoma to the late Clarence & Patsy Johnson Woodard.

He retired with Harps Grocery Store and was a member of First Pentecostal Church.

He was predeceased by his parents; brother, Fred Woodard and sister Cindy Green.

Survivors include his wife, Cynthia Woodard; son, Marcus Woodard; daughter, Shivon (Rashawn) Green; brother, Clarence Woodard Jr.; sisters, Barbara Bellamy, Linda Lincoln and Gretchen Eugene .

Services will be held 10:00 A.M. Saturday, November 13, 2021 at First Pentecostal Church with Pastor Wilbert Bates officiating.

Burial will be at Friendship Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Ronnie Fincher, Rashawn Green, J.T. Leeper, Danny Martin, Gilbert Martin and Neriah Brown.

Honorary Pallbearers are Emekeus Robinson and Jeremiah Bellamy.

Visitation will be 6:00 – 7:00 PM Friday, November 12, 2021 at Hot Springs Funeral Home.

Previous Events

CHURCH SERVICE

NOV **13**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church

,
Hot Springs, AR 71901
(501) 623-6310

Tribute Wall

Joyce
Smith

“ *Joyce Smith lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard*



Joyce Smith - March 21, 2022 at 04:51 PM

TR

“ *If Richard isn't in heaven then no one is going. What a great man.*

Ty Rodgers - December 11, 2021 at 09:59 PM

TB

“ *I was just looking through the obits and seen this mans face and instantly remembered him from the grocery store. He was always so nice and made time to talk with the customers. My condolences to his loved ones and all that knew him.*

tburkes - December 03, 2021 at 11:17 AM

JW

“ *To the family of Rev, Woodard- my sister and I grew up with Richard and his siblings . They were our neighbors. May he rest in peace. Your family is in our prayers. Joyce Hill White. K C Mo. and Janie Hill Hatton. Milwaukee, Wi.*

Joyce A. Hill White - November 13, 2021 at 01:31 PM

LV

“ I am so saddened to hear of your passing , you were so kind to my husband & I. Sending love & prayers to Cynthia & family.
Larry & Linnie Vaughan 🙏

linnie vaughan - November 13, 2021 at 12:34 PM

KA

“ Sending prayers of peace and comfort to the Woodard family.
Kaye Randle

kaye - November 13, 2021 at 10:03 AM

GP

“ I will miss hearing him preach and sing - My prayers for comfort for the family . I am out of town and Sorry to miss his funeral ,

Glenda Porter - November 13, 2021 at 09:39 AM

TE

“ Terry And Gwendel Ellis lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Terry and Gwendel Ellis - November 13, 2021 at 08:17 AM

GC

“ Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Chur lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Chur - November 12, 2021 at 05:25 PM

GC

“ Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Chur lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Chur - November 12, 2021 at 05:24 PM

CL

“ Richard will be deeply missed. Our sympathy to the Woodard Family.
Johnny and Connie Lacy



Connie Lacy - November 12, 2021 at 11:53 AM

MW

“ Min. Bruce And Sherry Wilson lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Min. Bruce and Sherry Wilson - November 12, 2021 at 09:03 AM

JW

“ James & Marie Woodfork lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



James & Marie Woodfork - November 12, 2021 at 08:11 AM

MA

“ *Mariewoodfork lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard*



mariewoodfork - November 12, 2021 at 08:09 AM

JY

“ *Richard was a very compassionate man. He definitely touched all of us that road his van. He greater us workers and riders with kindness and showed the love of Jesus. He was a great witness of a true Child of Christ. We all loved to see him step off the van each morning with his big smile and words of encouragement for all. He is greatly missed. Sending love and prayers of peace strength and comfort for his family until you meet again!!*



Janet Yancey - November 12, 2021 at 02:51 AM

RK

Richard was a wonderful person! My husband and I ran into Richard at Sam's Club a couple of months ago. We talked for quite a long time. He said that he was so proud of his daughter and what she was doing with her life. We are so sad to know of his passing. We have known him for many many years. We will never forget his positive nature and his love for God and Jesus Christ. He was an inspiration to everyone that knew him. God bless you Richard we will miss you!

Robin Keller - November 14, 2021 at 05:37 PM

LC

“ *Lomer Conway lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard*



Lomer Conway - November 11, 2021 at 05:10 PM

LC

“ *To the family of Richard I have known Richard for a while now he have taken back n fourth to my Dr appointment on the scat bus he was a wonderful driver n person he will be missed*

Lomer Conway - November 11, 2021 at 05:09 PM

SS

“ *Prayers for the Woodard Family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*
Shari Siedschlag

Shari Siedschlag - November 10, 2021 at 08:32 PM

RS

“ *I'm reminded that John chapter 14 tells us Jesus went away to prepare a place for us. That place has many mansions and each mansion is filled with rooms. Each one of us have a room in one of those mansions. When our room is ready, Jesus comes for us. Richard's room was ready and he has joined those gone on before. Father I ask that you wrap this family in your comforting blanket of peace during this time of loss.*

Rev Peaches Smith - November 10, 2021 at 07:26 PM

SM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Mr. and Mrs. Woodard were always so loving towards each other. I could always tell that he was a good family man. He will be missed by many. Praying for you and your family. May God give you strength.

Sharon McClure - November 09, 2021 at 10:04 AM

EL

“ Eric Lenox lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Eric Lenox - November 08, 2021 at 04:59 PM

LM

“ Larry & Carolyn McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Larry & Carolyn McDaniel - November 08, 2021 at 09:10 AM

LM

We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Brother Richard! He was such an inspiration to my husband and I. Whenever we run into him, he always had a word to say about God! Cynthia and family you have our condolences and prayers! May Bro. Richard rest in Love and Peace! Beautiful beautiful

Larry & Carolyn McDaniel - November 08, 2021 at 11:20 AM

DH

“ Thankful to have known this man. His testimony, input and singing will be greatly missed in our church services. He was always ready to talk about Jesus. God bless this family in their loss. Deborah Herrell

Deborah Herrell - November 07, 2021 at 03:49 PM

LP

“ Richard and I worked together for many years. I never met a more finer person in my whole life. A person you never forget, for he was very caring and kind to all he met. To his family who should very proud to have such a wonderful Husband and Father. I will miss this great person who God put this man on this planet. Rest in peace my old friend. Larry Pace

Larry A Pace - November 07, 2021 at 08:08 AM

CA

“ Clymesa Applewhite lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard



Clymesa Applewhite - November 06, 2021 at 06:19 AM

BC

“ Rev. Woodard is such a genuine, Godly soul. I was in the hospital a few years ago and he and Mrs. Woodard visited me several times and always prayed with me. I knew he was a child of God. He still is. Please continue to pray for those of us left behind. Rev. Woodard. RIP.

Barbara L Cooper - November 05, 2021 at 01:43 PM

BC

“ *Barbara L Cooper lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard*



Barbara L Cooper - November 05, 2021 at 01:37 PM

KH

“ *Richard was a very caring person who never had a bad word to say about anyone. He was a Christian in every since of the word and a great friend. Richard will be sorely missed by all that knew and loved him!*

Kenneth Hass - November 04, 2021 at 09:51 AM

AH

“ *Richard was a joy to talk to and work with. He always had a smile and kind words. All the conversations with him left you with a smile and a warm heart.*

Aaron Hatton - November 04, 2021 at 06:18 AM

PS

“ *Richard was a wonderful man. He was so kind too the clients he transported. He will be missed. Prayers for his family and friends.*

Pamela Smith - November 03, 2021 at 10:12 AM

MA

“ *MarkSouthern lit a candle in memory of Richard Allen Woodard*



MarkSouthern - November 02, 2021 at 05:15 PM

MA

“ *Mr Woodard you were always a very kind and pleasant person to talk with. I always enjoyed our talks about the bible, My condolences to his family, Mark Southern*

MarkSouthern - November 02, 2021 at 04:47 PM