

## Order of Service

Rev. Arizona Perkins, Presiding  
*Harper Chapel*

### Processional / Viewing

**Invocation** ..... Bishop Jimmy Campbell  
*Elm Street COG*

**Scripture:**  
Old Testament ..... Bishop T.K. Coleman  
Psalm 27 *Third Mt. Zion*

New Testament ..... Rev. John Coverdell  
John 14: 1-6 *Prospect Baptist Church*

**Selections** ..... Combined Choirs  
*New Jerusalem*  
*Elm Street COG*  
*Greater Fernandina COG*

**Reflections:**  
As A Brother ..... Dr. Patricia Richo Bland  
Alahendra Richo  
As A Member ..... Deacon Ray Bartley  
Usher/Friend ..... New Jerusalem Usher Board

**Solo** ..... Jakiera Bland Gosha

**Obituary** ..... *(Read Silently)*

**Resolution/Acknowledgements** ..... Chenell Hudson

**Selection** ..... Combined Choirs

**Words of Comfort** ..... Elder Ruby Baker, Pastor  
*New Jerusalem HOGSIC*

### Recessional

#### *Repast*

The family will receive friends immediately following the service in the Social Hall of River of Praise Worship Center

## Pallbearers

Deacon Ray Bartley      Ernest Roberts  
Deacon Richard Hudson III      Robert Strange Jr.  
Bro. Robert Strange Sr.      Spencer Clayton

## Flower Attendants

Ushers and Friends

## Acknowledgements

The family of the late **Johnell Richo, Jr.**, would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for your many compassionate deeds, comforting words, visits, prayers, phone calls, cards, food, floral tributes, and all acts of kindness. It has helped to strengthen us in this trying time. May God bestow His richest blessings upon each of you.

~The family

## Interment

11:00 AM, Monday, May 16, 2016  
Jacksonville National Cemetery  
4083 Lannie Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32218

### ARRANGEMENTS IN CARE OF:



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# Honoring the Life of



**Johnell Richo, Jr.**

*September 27, 1949 – May 2, 2016*

### Service

11:00 AM, Saturday, May 14, 2016  
**River of Praise Worship Center**  
83410 St. Mark Drive  
Yulee, Florida 32097  
Pastor Larry Osburn  
*Elder Ruby Baker, Officiating*

## *In Thanksgiving for the Life of Johnell Richo, Jr.*

*Good people pass away; the godly often die before their time, but no one seems to care or wonder why. No one seems to understand that God is protecting them from the evil to come. For those who follow godly paths will rest in peace when they die.*

*Isaiah 57: 1-2 NLT*

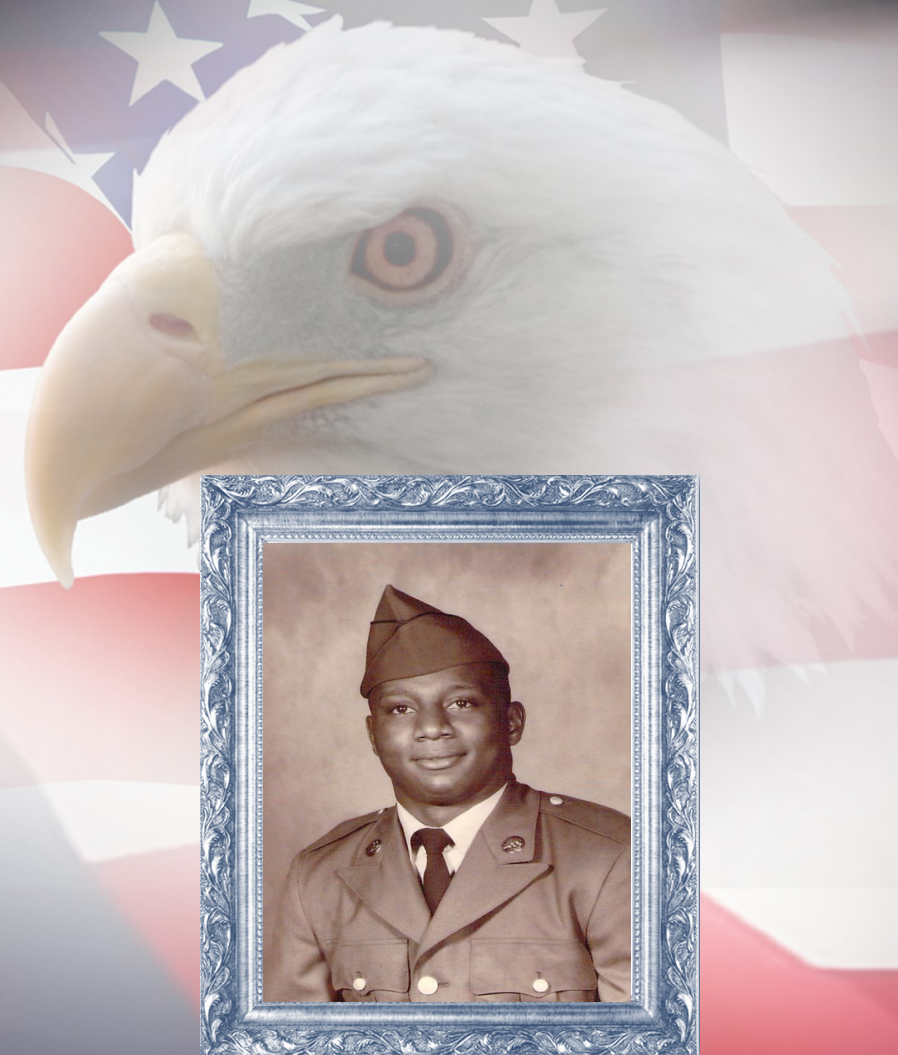
**Johnell Richo, Jr.** was born on September 27, 1949 in Fernandina Beach, Florida, to the union of Johnell Richo Sr. And Gussie Harker. He was the oldest of five siblings. Johnell grew up in Fernandina Beach and graduated from Peck High School. He was enrolled in college for a year before being drafted into the United States Army; where he served from January 1969 to January 1975 (medals received: National Defense Service, Vietnam Service, Vietnam Campaign and Good conduct) after serving in the military, Johnell worked at Container Pulp Mill, Atlantic Coastline Railroad and finally retiring as a shrimper; he loved the ocean. He was a jack-of-all trades; helping whoever and wherever needed.

**Johnell** and Robbie Wilson were united in marriage December 1, 1989 after 12 years of courtship. To this union one son, Neil Richo was born.

Early in life Johnell attended Elm Street Church of God, in his later years he started attending New Jerusalem HOGSIC and became a member. After recommitting his life to the Lord Johnell became very faithful. He served on the Usher Board for several years and was the newly appointed Usher Board President. He was committed to Sunday School, Prayer/Bible Study, Men's Ministry and Worship Services.

**Johnell** was preceded in death by his mother Gussie H, Richo; two brothers, Joseph Richo and James Richo; stepdaughter, Angel Reed.

**Johnell** leaves to cherish his memory a loving wife, Robbie Richo; father, Johnell Richo Sr. (Min. Delores); daughter, Tara Brown; son, Neil Richo; two stepsons, John Wilson (Shirley) and Ray Reed; stepdaughter, Docher Reed; two sisters, Dr. Patricia Bland (Leon) and Alahendra Richo; two uncles, Abraham Richo (Dorothy) and Jerome Richo (Pastor Jeanette); four aunts, Gladys Middleton, Hattie Joseph, Elizabeth Thompson (George) and Geraldine Walker; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and special friends, New Jerusalem HOGIC Usher Board.



### *My Life*

My life is an open book, come quick and take a look.  
See all the smiles and frowns, tears and pain;  
but I'm still standing, because of lessons learned, failures,  
successes, understanding and shame.

Tell me who can I blame?

It hurts to know that people could see, but the truth has  
set me free.

I'm free to fly above the clouds; free as the wind that  
blows. Yes, today I am an open book.

*By: Alicia R. Wells*