

## *Pallbearers*

Family Members and Friends

## *Flower Attendants*

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## *Where Did You Grow*

Where did you grow. In earthly or heavenly soil, the Son is shining. Where did you stretch out your arms and legs, whose air do you breathe you have not been plucked from the soil. You have been transplanted to more fertile soil in another land. The Son is still shining, continue to grow, continue to live, continue to stretch out your legs and arms and breathe deeply. For as God has said, it is very pleasant here.



## *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you made a comforting call, sent a card, blessed us with food, stopped by to see us, prayed for us or you reminded our family of neighborhood unity. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much. May God bless each of you.

~The family of the late *Albert Charles "A.C." Richards, Jr.*

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# A CELEBRATION *of Life*

FOR

*Albert Charles Richards, Jr.*



October 12, 1953 - March 5, 2017

### *Service*

Monday, 10:30 AM, March 13, 2017

*Samuel C. Rogers Jr. Memorial Chapel*

4315 N. Main Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32206

*Pastor Anthony Moore, Officiating*

# The Legacy of Albert C. Richards

**Albert Charles “A.C.” Richards (Ricky)** was welcomed into this natural life by Betty Eddy Holzendorf (Clifford) and Albert Charles Richards, Sr. on October 12, 1953 in Jacksonville, Florida. He was educated at Stanton High School and attended Florida State College. He later joined the United States Navy to serve his country during the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged in 1981. Upon leaving the military, A.C. returned to Jacksonville with a re-ignited fire and deeper love for God and shared the Gospel with many of his family and friends.

**A.C.** was employed in the Telecommunications Industry and was a member of the Southside Business Men’s Club. After many years in this industry, his entrepreneur spirit led him to open his own successful telecommunications company known as Advanced Beeper Communications (ABC Beepers). In 2003, he was the honorable guest speaker at the Commencement Services for ITT Technological Institute of Jacksonville and also helped mentor and train many students who were interns at ABC Beepers and within the telecommunications industry. Through this commencement speech, he continued to further his goal by starting the organization named Teaching Men Success (TMS), in which he mentored and empowered many young men to pursue their dreams. Keeping it moving forward, he also started Century Land Services, where he continued to share the gospel that impacted the lives of many of his employees as well as others. A.C. always loved to help others and was never afraid to follow his dreams or try a new idea. He finished part one and part two of his 3-cord legacy...lastly his third cord being the implementation of a program to assist Veterans with healthcare and their overall well-being.

**A.C.** transitioned from his natural life into his spiritual life on Sunday, March 5, 2017. He was preceded in death by his father, Albert Charles Richards, Sr; stepfather, Clifford Eddy; son, Charles Andrew Jones “Lil Ricky”; and grandmother, Bernice “Mother” Holzendorf.

**A.C.** leaves his special winning spirit and joyous life in remembrance to his wife of 42 years, Valerie Lindsey Richards; four children, Sharmayne (Derrick) Mason, Sharesse (William) Branch, Sharon (Timothy) Richards, and Shawn (Tameka) Richards; 12 grandchildren, Derrick-Alexander, Danielle, Daela, Derrious, Charles, Charish, Elijah, Timothy, Jr., Dejah, Wilson, Shamiah, and Shawn, Jr.; his mother, Betty Eddy; sister, Debbie (Charles) Cooper; brother, Marcus Eddy; father-in-law, Willie T. Lindsey Sr; sister-in-law, Monique Smith; brothers-in-law, Willie (Mary) Lindsey Jr., Vernon (Jean) Lindsey, Pastor Dr. Bruce E (Gwendolyn) Childs; 3 additional grandchild; many numerous step-brothers and sisters; and a huge host of uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.

# Order of Service

*Call unto me and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not. Jeremiah 33:3*

**Processional** ..... “I Give Myself Away”

**Scripture Reading:**

**Old Testament** ..... Psalm 103

Deacon Willie T. Lindsey, Sr.

Noble Street Baptist Church, Portsmouth, VA.

**New Testament** .....

Minister Dwight Anderson

**Video Prayer** ..... A.C Richards

**Musical Selection** ..... Sharman Philpot

Pastor Jehovah Rapha Worship Center Jacksonville, FL

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

**Video Tribute** ..... “I Love You Lord”

**Reflections** ..... (*Two Minutes Please*)

Resse Branch/Shawn Richards

Open to Others

**Musical Selection** .....

**Eulogy** ..... Minister Anthony Moore

Excel Church, Jacksonville, FL

**Recessional** ..... “Fill Me Up For Your Glory”

*Tosha Cobb*

**Interment**

Jacksonville National Cemetery