

Active Pallbearers

Joe Ricks Fred Marshall, Jr.
Zakh Gamble Leroy Washington
Kenneth Ricks Michael Glover

Flower Attendants

Family and Friends



Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral spray, if so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend would say.
Perhaps you were not there at all; just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you very much whatever the part. May God bless each of you.

~The Family of the Late Tommie Lee Ricks ~

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Homegoing Celebration for Tommie Lee Ricks



Sunrise
September 8, 1954

Sunset
April 8, 2020

Service

11:00 AM, Saturday, April 18, 2020

Samuel C. Rogers, Jr. Memorial Chapel

4315 N. Main Street

Jacksonville, Florida 32206

Reverend Alfred Derrick Cotton, Officiating

Obituary

Tommie Lee Ricks was born on September 8, 1954 to Sarah Dawkins and Willie Ricks in Miami, Florida. He was the fifth child of seven children. At an early age, he dedicated his life to Jesus Christ as he confessed Jesus Christ as his Savior.

He attended Hamilton County Public Schools in Belleville, Florida. After grade school, he attended Crenshaw High School in Las Angeles, California. He continued his education in Job Corps in Tucson, Arizona where he received his high school diploma equivalent (GED).

He chose his bride when he met and married Rosemary Johnson, April 19, 1999 in Jacksonville, Florida. She was the love of his life and he was the love of her life.

Tommie was a remarkable and dependable employee having worked for the University of North Florida and American Flat Glass Distributors. He made his mark with an impeccable status in Duval County Public Schools working for AraMark. His reputation preceded him as school level administrators requested him by name to work in their schools. His outstanding custodial savviness was not unnoticed as he received several awards of excellence for cleanliness in every school, where he worked. He was often recognized for his exceptional professional custodial service at each school by administrators, teachers and staff. The students loved and respected him as he demonstrated a strength of cleanliness in the educational arena.

Tommie was a lover of black history as he studied Islam all of his life. He had a strong conviction to ensure that black children were enlightened regarding black history and their culture. He felt it was his obligation to contribute to their black historical knowledge. His love for family and children were constant in his life - to love his family and to ensure that black children were educated and well-versed in black history.

Tommie was preceded in death by his parents, Sarah Dawkins and Willie Ricks; brothers, Willie L. Marshall and Fredrick E. Marshall, Sr.

His passing, leaves to mourn: a devoted and loving wife, Rosemary Ricks; daughter, Tara Ricks (Herman); three grandchildren; brothers, Joe Ricks and Kenneth Ricks (Judy); sisters, Florida Mae Corbitt and Barbara Ricks; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and many other relatives and friends. He will be missed.

Order of Service

Rev. A. D. Cotton, Presiding
Community Missionary Baptist Church

Processional

Scripture

Old Testament Psalm 17:15 Rev. Levi White
Greater New Birth Missionary Baptist Church

New Testament Revelations 21:1-6 Rev. Levi White
Greater New Birth Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer Rev. A. D. Cotton

Musical Selection Lynda Williams
"They Got the Word"

**Acknowledgement of Cards
and Condolences** Gayle Williams
Obituary Read Silently

Remarks Evelyn Tukes
"Salvation"

Musical Selection Judith Tukes
"The Battle Is Not Yours, It's The Lord's"

Eulogy Rev. Alfred Derrick Cotton
Community Missionary Baptist Church

Recessional

Interment

Restlawn Cemeteries
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