I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God has laid you see. I took His hand when I heard His call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day To laugh, to love, to work, or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way I found the peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void Then fill it with remembered joys A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss Oh yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-God wanted me now; He has set me free.

Pallbearers

Grandsons

Floral Bearers

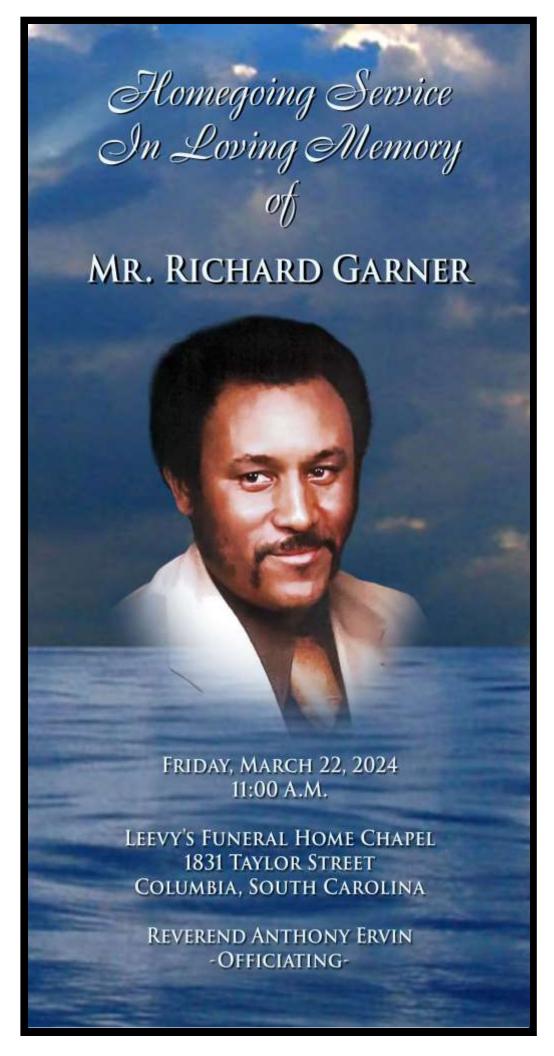
Nieces

Acknowledgement

We, the family of the Mr. Richard Garner, would like to thank each of you for your prayers and support during the passing of our loved one. It is our prayer that the Lord blesses each of you in a very special way.

Services Entrusted To:





Obituary of Mr. Richard Garner

Mr. Richard Garner was born on May 15, 1941, in Eastover, South Carolina to the late Louis and Robertha Garner. He departed this life on Sunday, March 17, 2024 at Prisma Health Richland, in Columbia, South Carolina.

Richard was educated in the public schools of Richland County, South Carolina. He was united in holy matrimony to Vivian Jackson on June 14, 1961 and to their union five children were born.

Richard worked as a welder for Owen Steel Company for over 45 years. He was baptized at an early age at the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church. Richard loved fishing, cooking, and fellowshipping with his family and friends.

In addition to his parents, Richard was preceded in death by his son, Everett Pernell Garner; brothers, Louis, Jr. Jacob, Willie, Belton, Ernest, Freddie, and Robert Garner; sisters, Dorothy Thomas, and Thelma Hinton.

Mr. Richard Garner leaves to cherish his precious memory: his wife, Vivian Garner; his children, Teresa McDaniels, Richie (Cheryl) Garner, Kerwin Garner, Monique (James) Etheridge, all of Columbia, South Caolina; brother, Hillard (Aretha) Garner, of Brooklyn, New York; two brothers-in-law; ten sisters-in-law; ten grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; a host of loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, many other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Memories

















A Service of Remembrance

Musical Prelude

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Processional	
Viewing	Funeral Directors
Musical Selection	Mr. Lonnie Clark
Old Testament	Minister Viola Etheridge
New Testament	Deacon Earl Gantt
Prayer	Evangelist Laura Gantt
Musical Selection	Minister Willie Haile
Remarks	Deacon Earl Gantt
Musical Selection	Mr. Lonnie Clark
Words of Comfort	Minister Anthony Ervin
Recessional	
Postlude	



Committal, Benediction, and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery 4900 Farrow Road Columbia, South Carolina