



## Mr. Lionel Jay Richardson Sr.

August 14, 1949 - January 12, 2016

Lionel Jay Richardson, Sr., 66, of Peoria, IL passed away peacefully surrounded by his family at 4:03 PM on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at Heartland Manor Care.

Lionel was born on August 14, 1949 in Memphis, TN to Joe Lee and Ed Lee (Henson) Richardson, Sr. He married Ruby Stine Massey on May 25, 1991 in Peoria.

Lionel leaves to cherish his most precious memories his loving and devoted wife, Ruby S. Richardson of Peoria; his mother, Ed Lee Richardson of Memphis, TN; one daughter, Tonya Richardson of Peoria; and Evangelist Julis (Ron) Franklin whom he raised as a daughter; four sons, Pastor Quantrel (Andrea) Fletcher, Allen Marcello Richardson and Lionel Scott Richardson all of Memphis, TN and Lionel J. Richardson, Jr., of Peoria, IL; six sisters, Dorothy Foster of Bartlett, IL, Joyce Ann Richardson, Belinda Ray and Evon (Sammie) King all of Memphis, TN and Mattie B. Stevenson and Hattie Richardson both of Fort Myers, FL; four brothers, Leeira (Cynthia) Richardson of Duarte, CA, Melvin Richardson, Allen Richardson and Joe Lee (Damita) Richardson, Jr., all of Memphis, TN; his in-laws, Bishop Charles & Evangelist Nell Washington, Ruby (Scott) Combs and Rosie Petty; a host of grand and great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives. Lionel is preceded in death by his father, Joe Lee Richardson, Sr.; son, Edward M. Parkers; grandmother, Eva Pierson; grandson, Lionel Richardson and his father and mother-in-law, Charlie and Mary Brown.

Lionel was a long time member of the Royal Knight Motorcycle Club of Memphis, TN. He loved the outdoors, riding his motorcycle and gardening. Lionel loved being with his family here and in Memphis. He could drive from here to Memphis in 4 hours!

Lionel was also an avid reader and vivid story teller.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM, Saturday, January 23, 2016 at Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral with a visitation beginning at 10AM. Lionel's son, The Rev. Quantrel Fletcher, Pastor of Devine Vision Christian Center of Memphis, TN will officiate. Lionel will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral  
2201 SW Adams Street  
Peoria, IL 61602

## Funeral Service

JAN **23**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Lionel Jay Richardson Sr.*



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**Simons Mortuary** - January 25, 2016 at 11:12 AM

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*Very nice video he was very very stylist and profile I loved the video Rlp Mr Richardson.*

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**Lawrence moore** - January 26, 2016 at 07:07 AM



“ *Mr. Lionel Jay Richardson Sr.*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Lionel Jay Richardson Sr.*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *I wish this was a bad dream I can wake up from but reality hit me my Superman my Dad my Papa my friend my teacher is gone, since I was born my granddad been by side telling me stories and giving me the tools I needed for life. He will always be in my heart.....I was his cuppy girl*

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**Julis Massey** - January 26, 2016 at 03:55 PM



“ THIS MAN RIGHT HERE SAVED ME FROM A HOT & A COT, ON MY BDAY, In 2001... HE DROVE MY BABY DADDY CHRIS MAYES (R.I.P.) BACK TO SANGAMON COUNTY, POST MY BAIL, AND DROVE US BACK TO PEORIA. MUCH LUV UNCLE LIONEL... 🥰  
🥰💕 GONE BUT NEVA FORGOTTEN, R.I.P. 😊

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**Cynthia Pittman (Jeannette)** - January 14, 2016 at 07:24 PM



“ I'm sorry for your loss. Tonya, you and your family are in my prayers.



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**Jackie Childs** - January 14, 2016 at 07:00 PM