



Richard Earl Washington

March 15, 1936 - January 3, 2025

Captain Richard Earl Washington was born in Winter Garden, Florida to Aline and Richard Sr on March 15, 1936. Later, he was legally adopted by his Aunt Ossie and Uncle Booker T. Washington, who had no children of their own. Captain Washington Attended Orange County Public schools and graduated from Robert Hungerford High School in 1953. While in high school, He played basketball, football, and baseball.

After graduating from High School, he attended the Prestigious Tuskegee Institute, an HBCU located in Alabama, which was opened under the leadership of the American Educator Booker T. Washington. In 1958, he earned a Bachelor of Science in Commercial Industries.

Shortly afterwards, Richard joined the United States Air Force where he proudly served for approximately seven years, earning the rank of Captain. During this time, he was deployed to Germany, France, and in the states, he served in Alabama, Texas, and Florida.

After serving his country, Captain Washington moved back to Central Florida and settled in Apopka. In 1988, he married Evelyn Bolden. They loved each other tremendously and were together for over 30 years until the time of her passing. One of their favorite things to do was go to breakfast every morning where they would witness and share Christ with those God led them to. They had their favorite spots, Krystals, and Winter Garden Restaurant. They would

often bless people in the store with groceries, etc. He and Evelyn, strong believers and followers of Christ, attended Faith World Center of Orlando, New Destiny Christian Center. Prior to his wife's passing, and his failing health, he attended Journey Christian Church in Apopka, Florida. They merged families together and had a total of eight children.

Captain Washington worked as an Automotive Technician at Sears, Roebuck and Co. He later moved to Miami for a brief period. While there, he taught himself Spanish. After a few years, he returned to Sears where he worked until he retired.

Captain Washington was a devoted family man. A fond memory was the care he showed for his parents and elderly aunt. He would always run errands, take them around. He made frequent trips to Winter Garden to make sure his mom was okay. Another is the fact that although he was small in stature, he LOVED to eat!! Even in the later stages of his illness, he always anticipated breakfast and dinner. He ate everything that was given to him.

He was preceded in death by his Wife, Evelyn Washington, Son, James Washington, Sr., Surrey Washington, Grandson, Parents, Ossie and Booker T. Washington, Aline & Richard Sr, Brothers Leonis Jones (Mary), Luther McIntosh, Lucious McIntosh (Gladys), Jimmy Beauford (Dorothy Jean), Johnny Brown.

He leaves to mourn 7 Children, Sabrina Jones, Gloria Washington-Shaw, (Jerome), Charles Warren, Jr., June Orr, (Earl), Wendy Warren, Jimmy C Warren (Eillice), Kimberlee R. Washington, and a Sisters-in-law, Sandra Brown (Johnny), Kathy Day (Rodney), and Lillie Allen (Stacy); Granddaughters: Chasity Ferguson (Jermaine), Dorothy Rene Inez Washington, Shandra Ann Warren, Jasmine J. Mack, Serrall Denise Ivey, Trinity Nicole Shaw, Lashawna, Cymone, and Ivyvona J. Barber, Grandsons:

James Washington Jr., Korey Washington (Wanda), Athalie Rivera (Erin),
Nathan J. Shaw Jr. Derrall Ivey, Earl Jermain, Levar Tomar (Ligi), and
Jonathan Swift, and a host of Nieces and Nephews, Great-grandchildren
Great-great-grandchildren and Cousins and other loving relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **10**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Church of the Messiah
241 N. Main St.
Winter Garden, FL 34787

Service

JAN **11**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Florida National Cemetery Burial

JAN **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Florida National Cemetery
6502 S.W. 102nd Ave,
Bushnell, FL 33513

Tribute Wall

TG

“ *Toyea P Gunn lit a candle in memory of Richard Earl Washington* ”



toyea p gunn - January 25, 2025 at 08:54 PM

TG

“ *Toyea P Gunn sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Earl Washington* ”



toyea p gunn - January 25, 2025 at 08:54 PM

BM

“ *Barbara Massey lit a candle in memory of Richard Earl Washington* ”



Barbara Massey - January 11, 2025 at 04:53 PM

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“ *Barbara Massey lit a candle in memory of Richard Earl Washington* ”



Barbara Massey - January 11, 2025 at 10:00 AM

AB

“ *Allenea Bolden lit a candle in memory of Richard Earl Washington*



Allenea Bolden - January 11, 2025 at 02:08 AM

MS

“ *MONICA DENISE SCOTT lit a candle in memory of Richard Earl Washington*



MONICA DENISE SCOTT - January 10, 2025 at 10:45 AM

PG

“ *Patricia Grant lit a candle in memory of Richard Earl Washington*



Patricia Grant - January 08, 2025 at 01:22 PM

LF

“ *To my family, may the peace of God rest with you all, may God Bless You All In Spiritual Strength, and Guidance! May uncle Rich spirit rest in peace! Love you all! Your cousin Lori Flemming of Rochester, NY.*

Lori Flemming - January 08, 2025 at 08:30 AM