



*Family Tribute*

**CELEBRATION**  
 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025 - 11:00 AM  
 PIPKIN BRASWELL CHAPEL OF PEACE  
 6601 EAST COLFAX AVE. | DENVER, COLORADO 80220  
 PASTOR MICHAEL D. HENRY, II, OFFICIATING

Processional.....Tara Washinton / Nathaniel Black  
 "Take Me To The King"  
 Selection.....Lonnie Liston Smith Recording  
 "Quiet Time"  
 Comfort From the Scriptures.....Minister  
 Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3: 1-4 | New Testament - John 14 : 1-6  
 Prayer of Solace.....Minister  
 Selection.....Tara Washington / Nathaniel Black  
 "Everything Must Change"  
 Acknowledgement and Condolences.....Pipkin Braswell Funeral Director  
 Obituary.....Adrienne Martin - Fullwood

**VIDEO REFLECTIONS**  
 (Wiz Production)

**FAMILY TRIBUTES**  
 Melvyn & Glen Wright

Expressions of Love.....Two Minutes - Remarks  
 Selection.....Tara Washington / Nathaniel Black  
 "I Can Only Imagine"  
 Message of Comfort.....Pastor Michael D. Henry, II  
**PIPKIN BRASWELL FUNERAL DIRECTORS**  
 "I'll Always Love You"

Recessional.....Tara Washington / Nathaniel Black  
 "Oh Happy Day"

**THOSE WHO BEAR THE CASKET**

Rickey Harris    Virgil Owens  
 Steve Toliver    John Barber  
 Larry Benford    Phil Taylor

**THOSE WHO BEAR THE CASKET IN HONOR**

Richard Simpson, Clifford Packer, Jamal Wright, Dante Wright, Ivry Wright,  
 Richard Reedy, Connie Reedy, Julius Reedy, Corey Reedy, Terrance Reedy,  
 Aspen Wright, Steven Johnson, Kenny Mays, William Thames

**HIS EARTHLY RESTING PLACE**  
 Fairmount Cemetery | Denver, Colorado

**BREAKING BREAD IN THANKSGIVING**  
 Pipkin Braswell Reception Center

**DECLARATION OF APPRECIATION**

The family of Richard Wright (Ricky) is grateful to God for his life. There are those whose lives death cannot diminish. Their love radiates forever in the hearts of family and friends. We wish to express our appreciation and sincere thanks for your friendship, your love, kindness and prayers.

**PIPKIN BRASWELL FUNERALS AND CREMATION SERVICE**

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 "When Someone You Love Becomes A Memory, The Memory Becomes A Treasure."

TO EVERY MAN  
 THERE IS A SEASON



*Richard*  
 "RICKY"  
**WRIGHT**

JANUARY 21, 1954 - OCTOBER 4, 2025

## RICKY'S JOURNEY

# *Richard Wright "Ricky"*

January 21, 1954 - October 4, 2025

Richard Wright was born on January 21, 1954 on a Thursday at 5:45 in Denver, Colorado to Edward Clay Wright, Sr., and Frances Wright. He was the fourth child of seven to this union, two girls and five boys.

During the summer between third and fourth grade, Richard read the entire Bible and began his life's journey as a Christian. He was baptized at New Hope Baptist Church by Reverend M.C. Williams. Richard was a member of the youth choir and participated in other youth activities, such as Youth Day, Baptist Training Union (BTU). During the summer breaks he attended Black Forest Youth Camp, located in Black Forest, Colorado.

Richard began playing the violin and quickly excelled at it. He was selected as fourth chair violinist in the Denver Children's Orchestra two years in a row. In the 7th grade at Cole Jr. High, he joined the FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America), where he wrote a paper about the future of computers. What inspired Richard to write this paper was the show Star Trek. He was amazed at how the show used computers to store information and quickly retrieve it to solve problems. He believed that in 20 years, every person would have a personal computer, which would cause people to have less interaction with each other and ultimately hurt the world. Richard excelled at sports, he and his brothers played football, softball, and spent countless hours playing basketball on the blacktops of Whittier Elementary, as well as at local recreational centers like Glenarm, 20th street, and Red Shield Salvation Army.

Richard was educated in Denver and attended Manual High School, graduating in 1972. After graduation, he attended Trinidad State Junior College, where he received the Who's Who award for the region and graduated with an Associate Degree in Electronic Technology and an Associate Degree in Computer Technology. Richard continued his studies at National American University, where he attained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Information Science and began his career as a Computer Programmer /Analyst /Engineer. He worked for some of the top companies in Denver, CO.

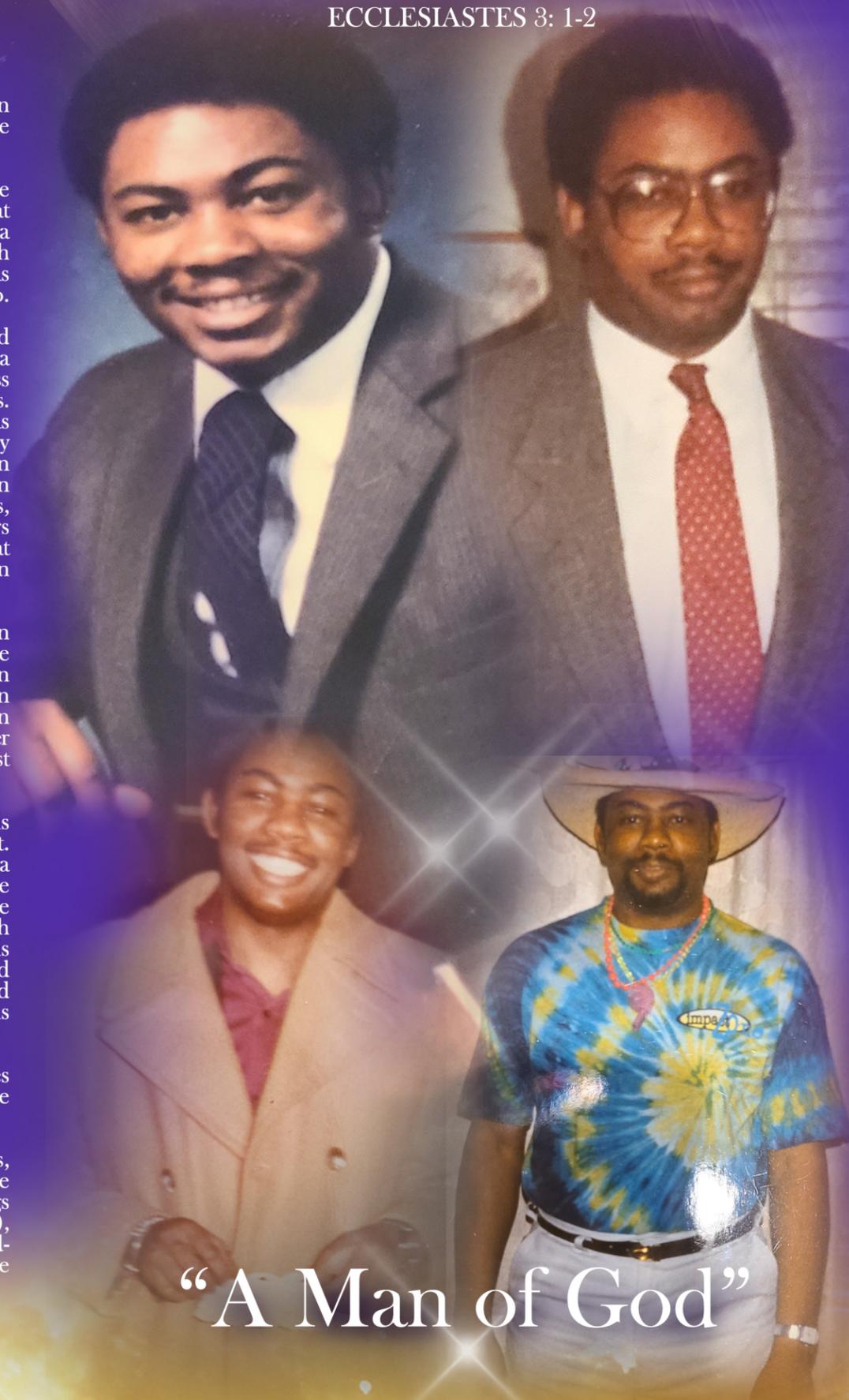
In 1976, Richard met Melvina Bonner, married in 1983, and from this marriage, they had two daughters, Daniyell Thompson and Patrice Wright. He later relocated to Austin, TX, where he met and then married Debra Mackey in 1998. They were married for 27 years until his passing. While in Austin, he joined Kingdom of God Christian Center (KGCC) under the direction of Pastor Fred Moore. He loved his church and his church family. He held seminars to help people save money for their future. In his spare time, Richard loved to go walking, watch sports, talk politics, and enjoyed writing computer programs for any and everyone. After many years of dedicated work, Richard Wright retired and spent his time traveling to visit friends and family. Richard departed this life on October 4, 2025.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Edward Clay Wright, Sr., and Frances Wright; two brothers, Edward Clay Wright, Jr., and Ernest Wright; one sister, Jeraldine Reedy and step-son Edward "Eddie" Taylor, Jr.

Richard is survived by his wife, Debra; his children and their families, Daniyell (Mitchell) Thompson and Patrice Wright, step-daughters Sujuane (Brandon) Smith, Vallie King, and Christine (Urbain) Glapion. His siblings left to cherish his memory are Charlotte (Robert) Butler, Melvyn (Andrea), and Glenn Wright. He also has several loving grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends whose lives he touched.

*"TO EVERY THING THERE IS A SEASON, AND A TIME TO EVERY PURPOSE UNDER THE HEAVEN; A TIME TO BE BORN, AND A TIME TO DIE"*

ECCLESIASTES 3: 1-2



*"A Man of God"*



*Precious Memories*