

PALLBEARERS

Chris Tyler
Dominique Ricks
Chuck Sawyer
Stephen James
DeAngelo Robinson

FLORAL BEARERS

Family and Friends

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

Words are inadequate to express the humbleness and gratefulness we feel towards all of our family and friends who have consoled us during our bereavement. Your prayers, your love, your presence and service has sustained us. Your cards of sympathy, floral arrangements and other social services are warmly appreciated. We saw all of these as God's love expressed through you.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you very much.

May God continue to bless you.
The Family of Dominick Ricks, Jr.

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A Celebration of Life
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Dominick
CARL ANTHONY
RICKS, JR.

SUNRISE
AUGUST 4, 1986

SUNSET
MAY 4, 2025

Saturday, May 17, 2025 | 11:00 A.M.
O. Allen Gethers Jr. Memorial Chapel
200 Grace Street | Moncks Corner, SC
Pastor Anthony D. Holmes, Officiating

INTERMENT
Westview Cemetery
1010 Cooper Store Road | Moncks Corner, SC

LIFE STORY

Dominick Carl Anthony Ricks, Jr., the beloved son of the late Mr. Dominick Ricks, Sr. and Mrs. Mozell Paulette Ricks, was born on August 4, 1986, in Bronx, New York. He peacefully departed this life on May 4, 2025, in North Charleston, South Carolina.

Dominick received his early education in New York and later attended Goose Creek High School in South Carolina. From a young age, he showed a strong work ethic and entrepreneurial spirit, helping to manage the family janitorial business while still in middle and high school.

On November 20, 2014, Dominick married the love of his life, Vernatta Sade Palermo, who then became Vernatta Sade Ricks. In their union, Dominick lived out the words of Ephesians 5:25 — *“Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it.”* He was a devoted and loving husband, always putting his wife's needs before his own.

Dominick was a dedicated member of Miracle Christian Center, where he found spiritual growth and fellowship. He served faithfully as the church’s sound technician. He took great pride in making sure every service ran smoothly, using his technical skills as a form of ministry and support to his church family.

Professionally, Dominick worked in the hospitality and hotel management industry, a field he was truly passionate about. His dream was to one day open a Bed & Breakfast with his mother. While that dream was never fully realized, Dominick remained committed to business and found joy and purpose as a secret shopper — always striving to learn, grow, and lead in his own way.

Dominick enjoyed traveling, playing video games, and collecting timepieces. He was a fan of anime and DC comics, loved trying new foods, and proudly cheered for the Dallas Cowboys — whom he considered the “best team ever.” Above all, he valued relationships. He served as a mentor to Marc Seymour and Andres Morquecho and was honored to be the godparent to Serenity Arianna James. He also lovingly embraced the role of “father in love” to Selena and Tonia Wiggins.

Dominick’s presence was warm, his laughter unforgettable, and his heart full of compassion. He leaves behind a legacy of kindness, love, and encouragement.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Vernatta Sade Ricks; his siblings, Dominique M. Ricks and Anthony E. Ricks; his nieces, Jasmine A. Ricks and Alana A. Ricks; his grandmothers, Elizabeth Ricks and Albertha Shirley Simmons; his aunt and godmother, Elizabeth Ricks-Okolo, and her husband, Henry Okolo; along with a host of uncles, aunts, cousins, and dear friends.

Dominick was preceded in death by his parents, Dominick Ricks, Sr. and Mozell Paulette Page Ricks; his paternal grandfather, Anthony Jefferson Ricks; and his maternal grandfathers, Evans Page and Carl Simmons.

Though his time with us was far too short, Dominick’s impact will be felt for a lifetime. He will be deeply missed and forever loved.

FAREWELL MY LOVE

Dominick,

I miss you already, but we said if the Lord was to take you, he’d give me peace, and guess what I have that peace (that goes beyond all understanding). When things happen throughout my day, I pick up my phone to tell you what happened, and remember you are not here to answer.

Even though at times I struggle with losing you, I know that to be absent from your body is to be in the presence of the one who created you. What a gift you have received, I’m happy for you Big Head. I’m wondering what the Lord’s voice sounded like when He told you, “Well done my good and faithful servant.”

See you later is what we always used to say to each other but today I am saying goodbye. Goodbye to my best friend, my confidant, my protector, my Boogie Woogie Wug and my gift from God.

Marking the time May 10, 2025; 1:08 p.m.,

Sade

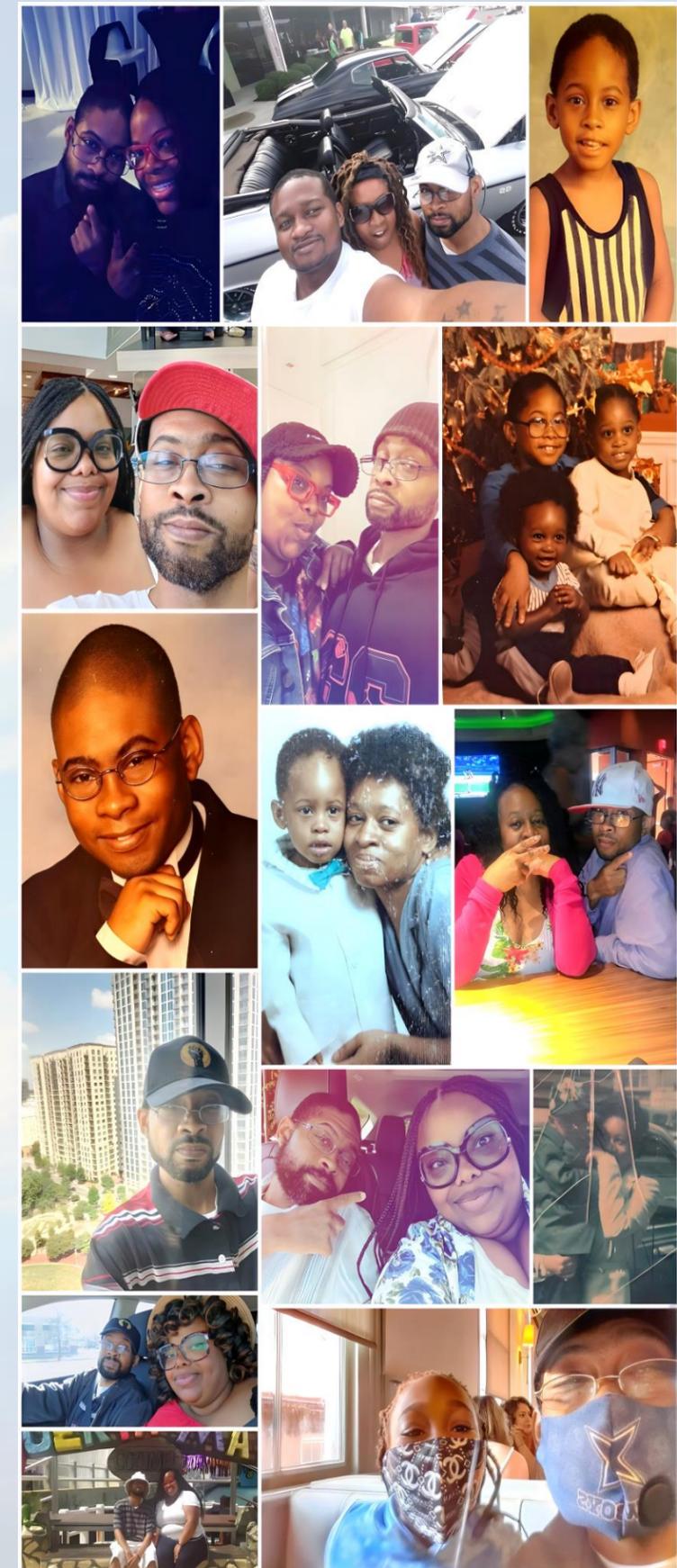
ORDER OF Service

Pastor Anthony D. Holmes, Officiating
Miracle Christian Center

Elder Annette Holmes, Presiding
Miracle Christian Center

Processional.....Clergy and Family
Hymn.....When We All Get to Heaven
Prayer.....Elder Annette Holmes
Scripture Reading.....Elder Annette Holmes
Old Testament – Psalm 23
New Testament – John 14:1-6
Solo.....Crystal Tyler-Mood
Remarks.....Marc Seymour
Family ReflectionsDominique M. Ricks, Sister
Selection
Eulogy Pastor Anthony D. Holmes
Committal
Benediction
Interment Westview Cemetery

REPAST
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313 North Live Oak Drive
Moncks Corner, South Carolina 29461



Forever In Our Hearts