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Rosa McClish • Shaurice Asher • Tae Smith
Ceon Whistnant • Rena McClish

HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS

Claudia Spears • Charlene Chapman • Leslie Burke

The McClish, Richardson, Williams, and Benton families sincerely thank everyone for the prayers, love, and support shown during this difficult time. May we continue to cherish the memories of the love, joy, gratitude, and kindness that Deacon Lester Richardson exemplified every day, and may we strive to live with that same spirit.

FINAL RESTING PLACE:

Lakeview Cemetery
12100 E. 13th St. - Wichita KS 67206



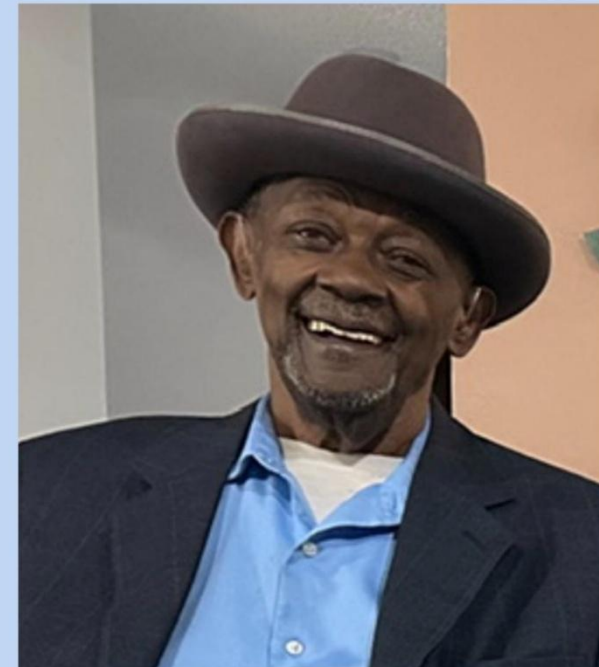
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*Celebrating
The Life and Legacy of*
DEACON LESTER D. RICHARDSON



January 25, 1935 ~ April 10, 2026

SERVICE:

May 1, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.
Greater Holy Temple COGIC
1706 E. 11th St. N. - Wichita KS 67214



Deacon Lester Richardson was born on January 25, 1935, in Lockesburg, Arkansas, to the union of Bruce L. Richardson and Mary Katherine (Keeler) Richardson. Though he attended very little formal schooling in Lockesburg, he was raised to be a hardworking, honorable, and devoted gentleman whose work ethic and character spoke volumes throughout his life.

Lester later moved to Wichita, Kansas, where he met his beloved first wife, Mary Davis. He was truly “quite the catch,” and Ms. Mary knew not to let him get away.

The two were united in marriage, and Lester lovingly embraced the role of husband and father, proudly helping raise her two young sons, James and Maurice McClish, whom he loved dearly. They shared over twenty years together before her passing.

He later married Ms. Cecil Richardson, and made many memories of love until her passing. However, God sent his final love to him in September of 1998, when Lester entered his final union with the late Ms. Hazel Bruce. Together they enjoyed a beautiful life filled with fishing, gardening, laughter, raising grandbabies and faithful service to the Lord.

Deacon Richardson was a devoted and faithful member of Greater Holy Temple Church of God in Christ, where he served under the late Elder Freddie Anderson and later under Presiding Pastor Edward and Lady Diane Flowers, whom he dearly loved as friends and spiritual leaders. Even after he was no longer able to drive, his commitment to worship never wavered, as his Pastor and Bro. Snipes faithfully ensured he made it to church each Sunday. He served faithfully as a Deacon and was also recognized as one of the original members of the Kansas Southwest COGIC Usher Board in Wichita, Kansas, where he served with excellence, humility, and dedication.

Lester wore many hats throughout the community, but one of his proudest accomplishments was his long-standing career with Hostess Bakery. During his more than 25 years of employment, he earned numerous honors and recognitions for his exceptional leadership, superior contributions, outstanding work ethic, and dedication to excellence. Among those honors were Service Awards, Awards of Achievement, and the President’s Quality Achievement Award. He was deeply respected and well-loved by supervisors and coworkers alike. In appreciation of his faithful service, he and his wife were once rewarded with a memorable trip to Hawaii.

Deacon Richardson was preceded in death by his wives, Mary Richardson, Cecil Richardson, and Hazel Richardson; his parents, Bruce and Mary Katherine Richardson; his sisters, Essie Richardson and Martha Williams; Lolita Bruce (daughter of Hazel Richardson) and Glen Bruce (son of Hazel Richardson); along with several beloved cousins and friends.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories: his son, Maurice McClish of Wichita, Kansas; his daughter, Mona (Alvin) Young of Wichita, Kansas; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, neighbors, his Greater Holy Temple Church family, and many dear friends who will forever treasure the love, wisdom, kindness, and joy he shared so freely.

God had His arms around Mr. Richardson and whispered, “Come follow Me.” A golden heart stopped beating, and hardworking hands were laid to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us that He only takes the best.

Celebration of Life

Friday - May 1, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Prayer

Old Testament Scripture

New Testament Scripture

Music Ministry

Precious Memories & Tributes

Speakers:

Gene McClish • Tae Smith • Bro. Dwayne Snipes

Video Presentation: Tae Smith

Speakers:

Bro James Lewis • Shaurice Asher • Maurice McClish

Resolutions / Reader of Condolences: Gwendolyn Richards

Music Ministry

Words of Comfort / Eulogy: Pastor Edward Flowers