

Honorary Pallbearers

Austin East Class of 1971

Active Pallbearers

Trey Dykes
Terry Henley
Leo Whiteside

Edward Debro, Sr.
Andy Wood
Melvin Hamilton

Flowerbearers

Mount Olive Baptist Church Ushers

The Day God Called You Home

God looked around his garden and He found an empty place.
He then looked down upon this earth, and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering. He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never get well on earth again.

He saw that the road was getting rough. And the hills are hard to climb,
So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered "Peace be thine".

It broke our hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you that day that God called you home.

~Author Unknown

Acknowledgments

Because of the warm hearts and multitude of friends who so graciously have shown kind deeds of love unto the family, we wish to thank you for the consideration you have given us during these trying times. May God's blessing continue to be bestowed upon you.

~The Family~



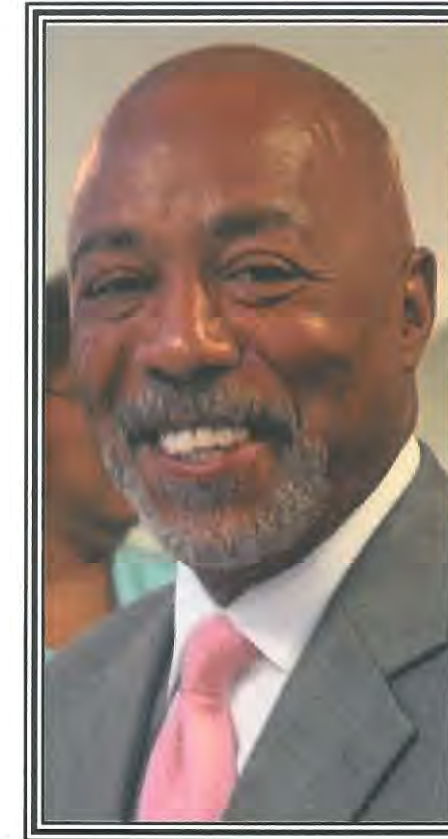
Final Arrangements Entrusted To:

Unity Mortuary
Knoxville, Tennessee 37915

"Unified for Serving - Committed to Caring"

Celebrating the Life
of

Barry Leonardo Richardson



Sunrise
November 6, 1953

Sunset
June 16, 2011

Service

Tuesday, June 21, 2011
1:00 p.m.

Mount Olive Baptist Church
1601 Dandridge Avenue
Knoxville, Tennessee 37915

Reverend Dr. LaTisha Reeves, Officiating

Reflections and Memories of a Life Well Lived

BARRY LEONARDO RICHARDSON, was born November 6, 1953, in Knoxville, TN, to the late Magdalene Scaggs Angel and Aaron Richardson. He departed this life on Thursday, June 16, 2011.

He accepted Christ at an early age under the guidance and stewardship of his grandfather, Reverend Edward Scaggs. He was a member of Mount Olive Baptist Church.

He graduated from Austin-East High School in 1971. He was drafted out of high school to play professional baseball for the Houston Astros. He attended Columbia State Community College, where he received a scholarship to play baseball. He transferred to East Tennessee State University, where he received a BS in Transportation. Barry was an accomplished artist, having designed the official Austin-East Roadrunner symbol, and he was also an accomplished and avid golfer.

Barry was a dedicated and faithful employee of State Farm Insurance Companies for 31 years, serving in leadership capacities for 23 years in Knoxville and Murfreesboro Tennessee.

Barry was preceded in death by: mother, Magdalene Scaggs (Frank) Angel; father, Aaron D. Richardson; grandparents, Reverend Edward and Charlotte (Lottie Minor) Scaggs; nephew, Justin Leath.

Left to cherish his memory: loving wife, Cheryl; son, Eric; daughter, Bianca; brother, Rev. Shawn (Sylvia) Angel; sister, Ingrid (Carlos) Erving; uncle and aunt but special godparents rearing Barry after the death of his mother, Jervis and Rosetta Leath; aunt, Sharon (Jesse) Farmer; great-aunt, Della Minor and Pearl Strong; father-and mother-in-law, Oscar and Dorothy Henderson; special cousins whom he loved as brothers and sisters, Reginald (Valerie) Leath, Jervece Steele, Xavier (Aixa) Leath, and Tegwyn (Paul) Berry; cousins, Derek (Charlotte), Aaron and Kashi, Akira Farmer; brothers-in-law, Rev. Anthony (Annette) Henderson and Jeffrey Henderson. He also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Special devoted friends, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dykes, III., Mr. and Mrs. Edward Debro, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Henley. A special thanks to the staff of Vanderbilt Hospital.

His wisdom, strength and honesty will be missed by all—and we know that God has already decided on a place for him in heaven. Until we see him again, we say “farewell—rest in please...we love you...job well done.”

Order of Service

Reverend Dr. LaTisha Reeves, Officiating

Processional

Family Visitation: 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Selection Mount Olive Baptist Church Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Reverend Shawn Angel
New Testament Reverend Stone Carr

Prayer Minister Sidney Davis

Selection Mount Olive Baptist Church Choir

**Resolution Thomas “Tank” Strickland
Austin East Class of 1971**

**Expressions Ginger Hines, State Farm Insurance Company
Edward Debro, Sr., Friend
Trey Dykes, Friend
Reginald & Xavier Leath, Family
Bianca Richardson, Daughter**

Words of Comfort Reverend Anthony Henderson

Solo Roberts Marks

Eulogy Reverend Dr. LaTisha Reeves

Recessional

Interment

**Highland South
Chapman Highway
Knoxville, Tennessee**

