



Mr. Richard A. Burton Jr.

September 24, 1953 - July 3, 2025

***NOTE: A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR MR. RICHARD A. BURTON, JR., WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2025, AT OUR FUNERAL HOME

PLEASE SEE VISITATION & SERVICE TIMES LISTED BELOW

***MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER WILL BE PROVIDED BY REQUEST.

The Obituary

On July 3, 2025, Richard A. Burton Jr. was called home to be with our Lord and Savior. Richard was born September 24, 1953, to Richard Sr. and Mary (Reno) Burton in Kalamazoo, MI. Richard, (also known as "Junior"), was the eldest of six children. He graduated from Kalamazoo Central High School and eventually moved to Battle Creek, MI. He was employed at Rock-Tenn Company for many years until his retirement.

Richard met Jackie Hudson-Moore (deceased), their relationship made them proud parents to their daughter Contina Hudson ("Tina") who was born on November 25, 1974. Tina was Richard's pride and joy. He loved her more than any words could express. He later united in marriage to Clara (Tolls) Burton, his love and partner in life. This union blessed him with a son, Christopher Knox.

Richard attended Temple Baptist Church in Kalamazoo, Michigan. He enjoyed life, and loved fishing, watching sports on tv, family gatherings, a good cookout, his dog Skittles, and occasionally going to the casino. Richard's heart was so full of love, giving and caring for others, especially his grandchildren and family. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Clara Burton; daughter, Contina Hudson; parents, Richard Sr. and Mary Burton; 2 brothers, Lewis Burton and Michael Burton; 3 sisters Elizabeth (Burton) Smith, Jeannine (Burton) Fowler and Annette (Burton) Jackson. Also, his grandparents, many aunts, uncles and cousins.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his son Christopher Knox; grandson Keenen Palmer, granddaughter Tianna Palmer; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and best friend, Tracy Williams

Previous Events

Visitation For Family & Friends

JUL **25.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel
521 Douglas Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI

A Memorial Service In Loving Memory Of

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Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Richard A. Burton Jr.



Harper Funeral Home - July 22, 2025 at 11:11 PM

ES

“ My Condolences the Family 😭



Ellen Spencer - July 27, 2025 at 03:41 PM

CG

“ Our condolences to the family

Cordell & Brenda Gardner - July 23, 2025 at 01:17 PM

RO

“ Rafiq Siddiqui-Rickie Ozier lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton



Rafiq Siddiqui-Rickie Ozier - July 23, 2025 at 06:25 AM

KO

“ Kathie Ozier lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton



Kathie Ozier - July 23, 2025 at 06:07 AM

RL

“ *Ramona K Lumpkin lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Ramona K Lumpkin - July 22, 2025 at 05:29 PM

HS

“ *Hilda Snell sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Burton*



Hilda Snell - July 22, 2025 at 02:52 PM

HS

“ *Hilda Snell lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Hilda Snell - July 22, 2025 at 02:51 PM

RO

“ *Rafiq Siddiqui-Rickie Ozier lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Rafiq Siddiqui-Rickie Ozier - July 21, 2025 at 10:08 AM

BG

“ *Beverly Green lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Beverly Green - July 21, 2025 at 06:57 AM

KO

“ *Kathie Ozier lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Kathie Ozier - July 20, 2025 at 05:02 PM

PG

“ *Pauline Gardner lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Pauline Gardner - July 20, 2025 at 03:50 PM

LS

“ *Lola Streeter lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Lola Streeter - July 19, 2025 at 09:23 PM

BG

“ *Beverly Green lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Beverly Green - July 19, 2025 at 01:05 PM

EG

“ *Edith Gardner lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton*



Edith Gardner - July 18, 2025 at 01:56 PM

PD

“ Patricia A Daniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Burton



Patricia A Daniel - July 17, 2025 at 09:09 AM

HB

“ Condolences to my family!



Helen (Mills) Brooks - July 14, 2025 at 03:05 PM

EG

“ Edith Gardner sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Burton



Edith Gardner - July 14, 2025 at 10:38 AM

HB

“ Hal & Janet Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Richard Burton



Hal & Janet Buchanan - July 14, 2025 at 10:18 AM

PD

“ Patricia Daniel sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard Burton



Patricia Daniel - July 14, 2025 at 08:12 AM