



## Richard Lewis Jr.

October 22, 1929 - December 2, 2023

Richard Lewis, Jr. age 94 of Powell, Ohio. Went to be with his heavenly Father on Saturday, December 2nd at his home in Powell, Ohio. He is preceded in death by his wife, of 71 years, June P. Lewis.

Richard Lewis, Jr. was born on October 22nd, 1929 in Montgomery, Alabama, and was the only child of the late Jessie Mae and Richard Lewis, Sr.

Richard graduated from Alabama State University and obtained his Master's Degree from the University of Chicago. He also was a lifelong member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity for over 65 years and active in the Columbus, OH. Chapter.

Richard joined the Army as a paratrooper and was a member of the 82nd Airborne during the Korean War conflict. After losing his whole platoon during a military exercise and being the lone survivor, he spent 6 months in a German hospital recuperating from many injuries suffered.

Richard and his family of 5 moved from Montgomery to Rochester, New York in 1962 where he worked as a Physical Therapist at the VA hospital in Canandaigua, N.Y. After obtaining a Real Estate degree from the Rochester Institute of Technology, Richard started a property management, Real Estate company, becoming the first and only black-owned property management

company in the city of Rochester.

He decided to branch out and opened offices in Dallas, Plano Texas and Columbus Ohio. During his many years, he was awarded and celebrated for his dedication to humanity.

Richard leaves to cherish his memories, his daughters Sheila (Dublin, OH.), Jessica (Patti) Irving (Warren, Dublin, OH.), his son Richard III (Sheila, Hilliard, OH.); grandchildren, Bianca Andrea Irving, Warren Irving III, Richard Lewis IV, Preston Lewis and Jason McCraney plus a host of nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 2:00 pm Saturday, December 16, 2023 at Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, Ohio 43065.

Jessica is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Celebration Of Richard Lewis Jr.'s Life

Time: Dec 16, 2023, 02:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81624996459?pwd=JtDsbxaYhJFAnxtHaadUj6z6mNeAI0.1>

Meeting ID: 816 2499 6459

Passcode: 262233

# Cemetery Details

## Arlington National Cemetery

Washington, DC

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life:

DEC 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Lewis Jr..*



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December 15, 2023 at 05:54 PM



“ *Bernard , Tina and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Lewis Jr..*

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**Bernard , Tina and Family** - December 15, 2023 at 05:42 PM



“ *Bernard , Tina and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard Lewis Jr..*



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**Bernard , Tina and Family** - December 15, 2023 at 05:42 PM



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December 14, 2023 at 01:21 PM

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“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Shelia Lewis - December 13, 2023 at 08:15 PM

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“ Just a few of your many accomplishments and achievements. A life well lived❤️



Shelia Lewis - December 13, 2023 at 08:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard Lewis Jr..



December 12, 2023 at 09:26 PM

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“ *Loved and cherished by your grandkids. We will miss your words of wisdom 📖💔* ”



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**Shelia Lewis** - December 12, 2023 at 10:34 AM

DG

“ *Our deepest condolence and prayers on the loss of Richard Lewis! May God give the Lewis Family strength, comfort and understanding during this difficult time. To know Richard Lewis was to love and appreciate him.* ”

*In prayer,  
Dorothy and Bill Green*



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**Dorothy Boga Green** - December 12, 2023 at 12:50 AM

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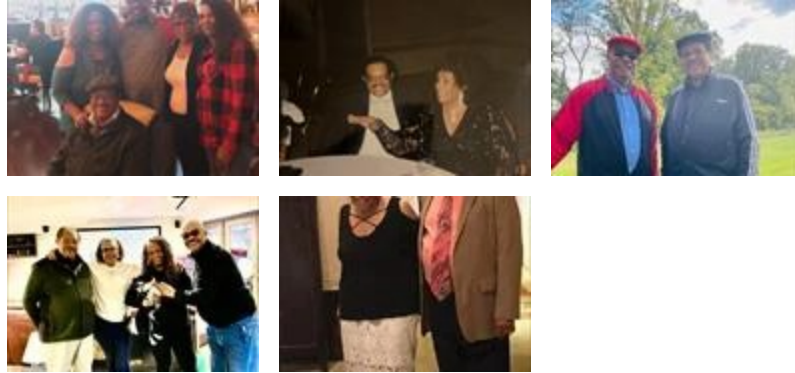
“ *Thank you for your service and sacrifices. RIP* ”



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**Shelia Lewis** - December 11, 2023 at 07:06 PM

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“ So many memories to share. We will miss you, but you will forever be with us. ❤️



Shelia Lewis - December 10, 2023 at 07:00 PM

CM

“ May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Richard Lewis Jr., give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.

My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....

US Veteran, Richard Lewis Jr., is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl J Skinner Tri-State Military Muse - December 09, 2023 at 07:18 AM

TF

“ *The Ward Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Richard Lewis Jr..*



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**The Ward Family** - December 08, 2023 at 01:18 PM

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“ *The Ward Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard Lewis Jr..*

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**The Ward Family** - December 08, 2023 at 01:18 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Richard Lewis Jr..*



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December 08, 2023 at 11:21 AM

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“ *Heaven just got a lot brighter. Love you, cousin Richard. Rest in peace.*

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**Heather Lewis** - December 07, 2023 at 04:02 PM