



## Mr. Joel M. Richardson Sr.

March 30, 1942 - February 11, 2023

Galivants Ferry..... It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Joel Richardson, Sr., a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Joel passed away on February 10th, 2023 at the age of 80.

Joel was born in Greenville, SC to Bessie Mae "Betty" Grant Richardson and Peyton McMullan Richardson, and lived a full and rich life. He is predeceased by his brother Jerry Grant Richardson and survived by his sister Janet R. Sheridan (Wally). He was known for his infectious laughter and his kind and generous spirit. Throughout his life, Joel was dedicated to his family, his community, and his faith.

Joel had a passion for nature, history, and all things Scouting. He was an avid fan of the Gamecocks and anyone playing against Clemson, and he loved to spend time outdoors, enjoying nature and gardening. Later in life, he enjoyed completing his education at Coastal Carolina University and became a proud supporter of his Alma Mater.

Joel was a proud veteran, having served his country with honor and distinction. He served in the US Army and was proud to have served his country in defense of freedom and democracy. His service had a profound impact on him, and he carried the values of honor, duty, and courage throughout his life.

Joel was a man of great integrity and a hard worker. He had a successful career in construction as General Contractor, where he was respected by his colleagues and loved his work. He was known for his strong work ethic and his unwavering commitment to doing what was right.

Joel was a devoted husband to his wife, Ann Carmichael Richardson. Together they shared 44 years of marriage. They were a true partnership, supporting each other through life's ups and downs and creating a warm and loving home for their family. Joel was a loving father to his children Matthew Peyton Richardson (Elizabeth Taylor), Fort Mill, SC and Joel Richardson, Jr, Miami, FL.

He cherished his time with his grandchildren Edith Ann Richardson, Mason Peyton Richardson, Elizabeth Gail Walker, Jonathan Davis Walker (Emily), and was always there for them with a kind word. He was known for his silly jokes, his silly faces, and his love for playing games and spending time with them. He was always there with a hug and a smile, and his grandchildren will always remember him as their beloved "Papa."

Joel was a cherished uncle to his nieces and nephews Robert G. Richardson, Greenville, SC, Patricia R. York (Michael), Mauldin, SC, Michael S. Richardson, Simpsonville, SC, Harry "Tripp" W. Davis (Betsy), Lexington, SC, and Mary Peyton Davis Wall (Steven), Blythewood, SC. He had a special bond with each of them, and he was always there with a listening ear or a helping hand.

Joel's family was his greatest source of pride and joy. He cherished their time together, creating memories that will be treasured for a lifetime. He was loved deeply by his family, and they will miss him deeply. They will continue to cherish their time with him and hold him close in their hearts.

Joel's life was a testament to his faith in God, and he lived his life with grace and humility. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

A celebration of Joel's life will be held on Monday, February 13th at Goldfinch's Funeral Home in Conway, SC with visitation beginning at 3 PM followed by a service at 4 PM.

The family would like to extend thanks to McLeod Hospice for the excellent care the professional staff gave to Joel in his final days.

Joel Richardson, Sr. will always be remembered for his infectious smile, his generous spirit, and his love for his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 13. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel  
606-610 Beaty Street  
Conway, SC 29526

## Memorial Service

FEB 13. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Rest in peace Joel. I enjoyed our time in scouting and have missed you over the years.

Ed Suggs - March 14, 2023 at 05:57 AM

SE

“ BR549 Joel I'm saddened to hear of your passing. I'll see you in the next place.

Steve Eaton - February 15, 2023 at 10:00 AM

GR

“ Glenna Rogers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joel M. Richardson Sr.



Glenna Rogers - February 14, 2023 at 11:46 PM

JK

“ Jeff Kalstrup lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joel M. Richardson Sr.



jeff Kalstrup - February 14, 2023 at 05:40 PM

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“ *Tammy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joel M. Richardson Sr.*



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**Tammy** - February 13, 2023 at 03:40 PM



“ *I will always miss Uncle Joel. I hope he's having a great time seeing my Dad, and grandmother and grandfather.*



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**Patti York** - February 12, 2023 at 11:39 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Joel M. Richardson Sr..*



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February 11, 2023 at 07:56 PM