



## John "Big Red" Richardson

September 26, 1946 - July 31, 2011

John Rives "Big Red" Richardson, 64, of Stevensville died on Sunday, July 31, 2011 at the Queen Anne's Emergency Center.

Born in Baltimore on September 26, 1946, he was the son of the late Edward Marvin Richardson, Jr. and Lorraine Eberhart Richardson. He graduated from Prince George's High School in Virginia and East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. After college, he joined the service serving in the United States Army in Vietnam, earning a National Defense Service Medal and an Army Commendation Medal. After his discharge, John moved to Richmond, VA where, on April 10, 1971, he married the former Billie Jackson. John and Billie moved to Kent Island in 1984, where they raised their two boys. He made his career in the FDIC. John was a diehard Redskins fan, and loved "tinkering" in the garage. His happiest moments were the times spent with his wife, children, grandchildren and "auxiliary children" hanging out in his garage.

He is survived by his wife, Billie Jackson Richardson of Stevensville; his sons, Jonathan Edward Richardson (Becky) of Stewartstown, PA and Jason Edgar Richardson (Megan Richter) of Girdletree, MD; six grandchildren: Taylor Gawne "by love", Hannah Richardson, Hayden Richardson, Riley Richardson, Harper Richardson, and Jackson Richardson; a sister, Ann Bartholomew; and several "auxiliary children". In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Edward Marvin Richardson, III.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm on Thursday, August 4, 2011 at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

# Tribute Wall



“ *John "Big Red" Richardson*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *John "Big Red" Richardson*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *John "Big Red" Richardson*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Red was one of a kind and will never be forgotten! I'll always remember the great stories he shared with us and the great times we had. Rest in peace Big Red...##imported-begin##alan santos##imported-end##*

August 04, 2011 at 11:09 AM



“ *Uncle John, you were simply the best. You were so easy going and always there when needed. You opened your heart and home to so many regardless of how full it was. We all loved you so much. You will be greatly missed. Love, Michelle, Jason, Hailey and Nick Berg.##imported-begin##Michelle Berg##imported-end##*

August 04, 2011 at 09:20 AM



“ *Billie and Family. Wish I could be there Thursday but since I can't want to let you know how much you will be in my thoughts. John will be missed by so many people.##imported-begin##Sandra Christman##imported-end##*

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August 03, 2011 at 09:59 PM



“ *Blessings and peaceful hearts to you all. I love each and everyone of you so much.##imported-begin##Cynthia Bartholomew & family##imported-end##*

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August 03, 2011 at 07:40 PM



“ *Billie, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. You are in my prayers. May God comfort you and your family.##imported-begin##Joyce Vinch##imported-end##*

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August 03, 2011 at 07:04 PM



“ *My favorite uncle, my ally, my friend. I can't imagine a world without you in it, and am thankful for all that you brought to this world and to the lives your family and friends. Thank you. I love you. Wish I could be there with all of you to celebrate his life, love you all and know you are constantly in my thoughts.*

*Lisa, Keenan and Jake Cameron##imported-begin##Lisa Bartholomew Cameron##imported-end##*

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August 03, 2011 at 06:39 PM



“ I'm thinking of you all with deepest sympathy. So many fond memories of a wonderful cousin--from the earliest ones at Grammy and Poppy's house on Ingleside Avenue through the gift from Vietnam (a statuette of a horse, of course), the wedding in Girdle Tree and the lovely self-built house to just last Christmas. See you all tomorrow.##imported-begin##Ruth Frey##imported-end##

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August 03, 2011 at 05:49 PM



“ Billie and Family: My heart goes out to you and your family on your loss.

Connie##imported-begin##Connie Burgee##imported-end##

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August 03, 2011 at 12:26 PM



“ Dear Billie and Sons, I've known John since he and his family moved to Hopewell (so that's a long time). It was great seeing him through the different phases of his life. May all of you find the comfort and peace you now need in his absence. God has better plans for him, without anymore health issues. Frank and I will keep you in our prayers and will always remember John's smiling face.##imported-begin##Barbara & Frank Marr##imported-end##

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August 03, 2011 at 11:09 AM



“ Our thoughts & prayers are with you, Billie & the boys & families. I still can't believe my "baby brother" is gone. It's just not right! I still remember the pesky little kid with the curls bugging me constantly. Will see you all tomorrow night. Love, Ann & Fred##imported-begin##Ann & Fred Bartholomew##imported-end##

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August 02, 2011 at 10:09 PM



“ *Billie, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember your family from living on Long Creek Farm back in 1985-1989 when Allen passed and I moved to Virginia. I lost Allen there and in December last year I lost another husband. I know how you must feel, but we have to find the strength to move on until the good Lord decides to reunite us with our loved ones. Take care and when you get situated look me up. God bless you and your family. Debbie*###imported-begin###*Deborah Webster Daugherty*###imported-end##

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August 02, 2011 at 03:48 PM



“ *John was my first boss (actually my boss's boss) at FDIC in May 1983 when I went to work as a temp doing receivership accounting in the Costa Mesa office. Whenever there was a complex transaction where I needed advice to book, I would call John. He was invariably helpful and very kind to me in light of my ignorance at the time.*

*I later had the opportunity and the honor to work with John in DC. He was a terrific person and a force of nature. I'm much the better for having known him.*###imported-begin###*Mark Jacobson*###imported-end##

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August 02, 2011 at 12:49 PM



“ *An honest lovely man, just filled with penetrating judicious insight and wit. I've been fortunate to have worked with and known him.*###imported-begin###*Chris Husker*###imported-end##

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August 02, 2011 at 10:30 AM



“ *Billie,*

*We love you and cannot express the loss of Uncle John.*

*We'll see you Thursday.*

*Love,*

*Debbie and Brian##imported-begin##Debbie and Brian##imported-end##*

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August 02, 2011 at 10:01 AM



“ *My family and I are deeply saddened by the loss of this wonderful man. Although it's been many years since I've seen Big Red, my memories of the time I spent as one of the many "auxiliary" children are fond ones and I will treasure them always.*

*Mrs. Billie, Jon, Jason, and the rest of your families, my heart aches for you in this time of sorrow. I wish that there was something I could do or say to help take away some of the pain. Thank you for sharing him with all of us for so many years. He brought much happiness to everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him. May you find strength and peace in the coming days.*

*With much love,*

*Kari##imported-begin##Kari (Hall) Oulahyane##imported-end##*

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August 01, 2011 at 05:38 PM