



Ricky Pendergrass

December 1, 1961 - July 11, 2022

Ricky Pendergrass, born on December 1, 1961 in Kingstree South Carolina, passed away on July 11, 2022 in New Britain, CT. He relocated to New Haven, CT in 1964 with his parents, James Samuel Moore and Hessie Moore.

Ricky attended the New Haven Public School System graduating from Wilbur Cross High school in 1979. At the time of his accident, he was employed at Yale University as a Lead Custodian for 23 years. He was also a faithful cleaner of Shekinah Glory Apostolic Church from 2004 until 2021.

In 2012, Ricky was reunited with his teenage sweetheart, Melba Jones, and married her in 2015 blending their children , 4 daughters Natasha Jones-Cruz (Isaiah), Brittany Campbell-Pendergrass, Nikia Harris-Carney (Sylvester), Ralena Harris, and 1 son Ronald Harris.

Ricky is survived by his wife, Melba Jones-Pendergrass, mother, Mother Hessie Moore, 3 sisters Sharlee Livingston (Ronald), Barbara Moseley (Joe), Monica Iovieno (Jamar) and 2 brothers, Larry Pendergrass and Samuel Moore (LeKeysha). He is predeceased by his father, James Samuel Moore.

Services will be held at Beulah Heights First Pentecostal Church, 782 Orchard Street, New Haven on July 19, 2022, viewing 9:00-11:00 a.m. and funeral at 11:00 a.m.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd
New Haven, CT 06519
(203) 624-5505

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUL 19. 9:00 AM (ET)

Beulah Heights Pentecostal Church
782 Orchard Street
New Haven, CT 06511

Funeral Service

JUL 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SO

“ Rick always greeted me when I ran into him. I enjoyed conversations with him on a regular basis in the hallways at Yale School Of Medicine. Gone but never forgotten.

Scott Olson - January 04, 2024 at 07:56 AM



“ Ricky Pendergrass

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM

CA

“ I am only just hearing this devastating news. Ricky was a beloved face at the medical school campus. A dedicated worker and friend to all. This is a shock. Praying for his family at this difficult time. Gone too soon.

Carole J Amarakoon - October 11, 2022 at 10:55 AM

SL

“ My condolences to the Pendergass families



Sheila R Lawrence - August 02, 2022 at 12:19 PM

SC

“ Ricky wasn't afraid to speak to people in passing. I always liked that about him, he could pull people out of their shell. Great sense of humor. May you Rest In Peace.

Scott Olson

Scott - July 19, 2022 at 10:58 AM

SB

Ricky made me laugh every time I saw him. Just found out today, didn't even know about accident. Sleep in Peace Ricky 🙏🙏🙏

Stephanie Bowers - July 19, 2022 at 08:17 PM

SG

“ I knew Ricky, the majority of my life..He was from the neighborhood and hung with my Uncles...what I remember most, was his COOLNESS...HIS HAIRCUT AND THAT EARRING..OH HIS SMILE..even when he saw me as an adult he always showed love...YAKE YA REST RICKY

Sharell Giles - July 19, 2022 at 09:28 AM



“ Will Moore lit a candle in memory of Ricky Pendergrass



Will Moore - July 18, 2022 at 10:16 PM

ML

“ *My most heartfelt condolences. Ricky could tell a story like no other. His style was a true reflection of his good character. He was a great neighbor and friend.*

Mark Lawless - July 18, 2022 at 09:17 PM

JD

“ *Sharlee and Family*

We were saddened to hear of Ricky's passing may God hold your hands during this difficult time and strengthen your broken spirit. Keep you eyes on the Lord



Joyce Diggs - July 18, 2022 at 05:38 PM

PC

“ *I've known Ricky for 20 yrs from Yale University when I walked through the building where he worked. Occasionally I was lucky to hear him sing, and he'd often say something comical that made me laugh. Although I only knew Ricky for these brief times in the hallway, his charm, his gift of gab and friendliness was unique—a welcome bright spot that no doubt lifted many other's day. I was heavy-hearted when I received the email that Ricky was gone. I hope he's up there singing with the other angels. I am so sorry for Ricky's family for their loss of this special man.*



patti cavaliere - July 18, 2022 at 02:18 PM

BM

“ *RIH Ricky till we meet again as we worked together at Yale medical school for a few years. I can always remember he was quick on his feet and always several steps ahead of my slow self. You were one heck of a senior custodian*

Bob McCormack - July 18, 2022 at 01:32 PM

WM

“ *Wanda Mccown lit a candle in memory of Ricky Pendergrass*



Wanda Mccown - July 18, 2022 at 01:03 PM

SH

“ *My condolences to Sharlee Moore and family*

Sandra Henry - July 17, 2022 at 08:37 PM

ML

“ *Remembering Ricky P. from visiting my family back on Downing Street very energetic and a simply nice and kind person, who love to keep his cars clean and shiny....my condolences to his family and friends ... He will be missed. Rest in peace... 🙏 M. Linnen*



M. Linnen - July 17, 2022 at 01:30 PM

EM

“ *To the entire family of Ricky: You have my deepest sympathy, I am praying for you. Sister Ella Moore*

ELLA MOORE - July 17, 2022 at 08:09 AM

RK

“ Sending condolences to my sister Melba Pendergrass and family on the passing of my brother-in-law uncle. May God continue to comfort you now and after, giving you the strength and knowing he is no longer suffering. May God give you peace. RIP my brother Ricky love you always. Your sister-in-law Renee Knight and family



Renee Knight - July 16, 2022 at 09:06 PM

GI

“ Gloria Ivory-Moore lit a candle in memory of Ricky Pendergrass



Gloria Ivory-Moore - July 16, 2022 at 07:03 PM

TD

“ To the Pendergrass family,
May you find peace during this time of bereavement.
The halls at Yale will never be the same.
You are in my prayers.

Towanna Duncan - July 16, 2022 at 03:49 PM

DL

“ Condolences to the Pendergrass Family.
Rickey will truly be missed. RIP and keep
those cars shining up in Heaven
Quinnipiac Family



Deloris linen - July 16, 2022 at 12:01 PM

DL

“ *Deloris Linen lit a candle in memory of Ricky Pendergrass*



Deloris linen - July 16, 2022 at 11:52 AM

KF

“ *Kelvan Fitzpatrick lit a candle in memory of Ricky Pendergrass*



Kelvan Fitzpatrick - July 15, 2022 at 07:02 PM

LW

“ *My condolences to the family. Ricky (aka: Ricardo-to me) was like a brother to me. I will miss our meaningful conversations and our laughs together.*



Lori Williams - July 15, 2022 at 04:06 PM

GM

Sending sincere Sympathy and Love to the Family of Ricky. Praying the Lord will give you strength in this your time of Bereavement. Pete & Lois Mouzon & Family

George Mouzon - July 18, 2022 at 10:29 AM