



## Mr. Lavell Rich

August 1, 1926 - June 4, 2015

### My Story:

"I was born on Sunday, August 1, 1926 in Purvis, Mississippi to my dedicated parents, Desiree Davis and Peter Rich. Well before I answered to Lavell, I was affectionately known as "Bubba." I was blessed to grow and discover the world with nine siblings Ruby, Hazel, Myrtle, Fannie, Bernice, Edna, Julius, Otis and Edward. Our parents shared with us the love of God and I dedicated my life to the Lord at an early age.

While I was a good student, I was even better with my hands, and learned to fish and hunt with the best in the south. I bravely enlisted in the United States Navy where I served as a cook in the Korean War and cherished my experience living in the state of Hawaii.

After serving my country, I moved to the up and coming Detroit, Michigan suburb of Inkster, Michigan. There, I met the love of my life and sun in my sky, the exquisite and remarkable, Annetta Rountree. God smiled on my life when she agreed to marry me in 1948 and spend the next sixty-six years of her life with me. Always the jokester with a quick and unmatched wit, I would frequently tease that I married her because she promised to buy me a Cadillac! During our years together, I worked as a high low driver at General Motors and retired after thirty dedicated years. I also drove the bereaved and mourning families who trusted their loved ones' final earthly plans to the Penn

Funeral Home. Annetta's compassion for others prevailed when she not only cared for the mentally ill patients at Eloise Hospital, but also gave birth to and lovingly raised six children: Milton Rich, Franklin Rich, Lavon (Commodore) Price, Anita (Albert) Miller, Dennis Rich and Pamela Rich. We did our best to instill and demonstrate a trust in God and a hard work ethic in our children. We served at Smith Chapel AME Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Westlawn Cemetery

31472 Michigan Ave  
Wayne, MI 48184

# Previous Events

## Visitation

Tuesday, Jun. **9**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Smith Chapel AME Church  
3505 Walnut  
Inkster, MI 48141

## Family Hour

Wednesday, Jun. **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

Wednesday, Jun. **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Lavell Rich*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. May you draw close to God in prayer and he will sustain you.-Psalms 55:22*

**Ms. Tuffy** - June 08, 2015 at 12:53 PM



“ *I'm sorry to hear of your families loss, may you find comfort in knowing that soon by means of Gods Kingdom all sickness and death will be brought to an end. Isaiah 33:25, Isaiah 25:8*

**Andrea** - June 06, 2015 at 08:00 AM



“ *I give my condolences to the Rich family. Mr Rich , played a very inportmant part of my life. it was because of him that I can now sit back and enjoy the fruits of retirement. Im blessed to have had him play a major part of my life. Mr Leslie (Butch) Wells .*

**Mr. Leslie Butch Wells** - June 05, 2015 at 08:37 PM