



## Deacon Jake Rich

April 17, 2016

Statesboro, Georgia

Deacon Jake Rich age 70 passed into rest Sunday, April 17, 2016 at the Ogeechee Area Hospice Inpatient Facility. The Bulloch County native was the son of the late Jake Rich, Sr. and the late Louise Young Rich. He was educated in the public school system of Bulloch County and at the age of seventeen he moved to New York for better opportunities. Jake became a member of the Revival Time Pentecostal House of Prayer under the leadership of the late Bishop Daisy B. Garvin where he was later ordained as a deacon. During this time, he served faithfully and was continuously providing support to the ministry.

In the early 1990's, Jake and his family moved from New York City back to his hometown of Statesboro, GA. Although he loved the city life, Jake was eager to be near his mother, the late Louise Rich. Once back in Statesboro, Jake joined Statesboro Mission Outreach Ministries under the leadership of Bishop Virgil L. Badie, Sr. where he continued to serve as a Deacon. He later desired to go back to his family church, Harmony Missionary Baptist Church, where Pastor Troy Grubbs is the presiding pastor. He served faithfully on the board of deacons as well as in many other church capacities.

He leaves to cherish his memoires, his wife, Evangelist Mary Ann Rich,

Statesboro, GA., his children, Mrs. Tuwanda Rich (Paul) Pinkney, Boynton Beach, FLA., Mr. Christopher Jake Rich, Statesboro, GA., Mr. Alexander Jeiel Rich, Statesboro, GA. and Mr. Michael Montgomery, Brooklyn, NY., sisters, Mrs. Emma (Tyrone) Anderson, Arlington, TX., Mrs. Lucille (James) Carter, Silver Springs, MA., and Mrs. Pinkie Mikell, Statesboro, GA., brothers, Mr. Carl Rich, Statesboro, GA. and Mr. Jessie (Annie Mae) Rich, Charlotte, NC., his grandchildren, Mrs. Niesia (Reggie) Byrd, Mr. Naje Best, Mr. Christopher J. Rich, Mr. Christian X. Rich, a great grandchild, Nyris A. Byrd, a host of other relatives and friends.

Family visitation will be held on Friday evening from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in the Chapel of Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

The funeral services for Deacon Jake Rich will be held 12 noon, Saturday, April 23, 2016 at the Statesboro Mission Outreach Ministries, Inc. with the pastor, Bishop Virgil Badie, Sr., officiating. Burial will follow in the Harmony Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at [hillsmortuaryinc.com](http://hillsmortuaryinc.com)

Final rites have been entrusted to Hill's Mortuary, Inc.

# Tribute Wall



“ 33 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hill's Mortuary, Inc. - April 22, 2016 at 05:30 PM

RG

“ The memory of our uncle is how he took over the parental roll of all his nieces and nephews when their parents had gone on to glory. He would call us or either stop by to visit us (depending where we lived) to see if all was well. Uncle Jake appointed himself as the primary caregiver for his siblings; and he received my husband Robert with open arms. Most importantly, we remember his words of encouragement as he praised the Lord and always inviting someone to go to church. We remember him fighting the good fight, running the long and trying race until his day was done. We remember how he loved his family, babysit his grand-babies. Yes that's what I fondly remember is that he was a loving caregiver to all. Aunt Mary Ann stay strong in the Lord and we love you. Robert

Robert & Billy Glasper - April 20, 2016 at 10:05 PM

SJ

“ My memory of Dea. Rich was how he loved to praise the Lord, and how he would always bring ppl to church, He was a man that loved God, whole heartily 🙏 Hal, Sheila, Patricia, and Shay

Sis. Sheila Jones - April 19, 2016 at 09:17 PM



“ Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Deacon Jake Rich.

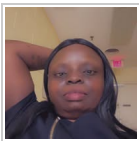


April 19, 2016 at 07:41 PM

MR

“ I remember our brother in Christ as always having a smile, sharing his vehicle time after time to transport my family to and from church in NYC. Never showing an inkling of not wanting to assist. He was truly a REAL blessing more than words can say. A cheerful giver. Some people you tend to forget, but this brother right here, I shall never forget!  
I say to his family, "Continue to be strengthened, because, this too shall pass!! Sister Margie.

Margie Robinson - April 19, 2016 at 06:02 PM



“ Charlene Coleman lit a candle in memory of Deacon Jake Rich



Charlene Coleman - April 19, 2016 at 05:58 PM

CF

“ *Christie, Jerry, Tyler, Keenan, Faith lit a candle in memory of Deacon Jake Rich*



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**Christie, Jerry, Tyler, Keenan, Faith** - April 19, 2016 at 03:57 PM

BT

“ *To the Rich Family sorrow for your lost, Mr Jake went home to be with Lord RIP. I will keep the family in pray God Bless*



*Barbara Thomas-Hunt/ Camden, NJ*

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**Barbara Thomas/Hunt** - April 19, 2016 at 03:22 PM

CH

*mr jake rich is just my fsmily my prayers are with evanglist mary ann rich and the family.*

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**CARRIE D HOWARD** - April 19, 2016 at 06:03 PM



*A few words to my Grandson :*

*Dear Lil Chris, It has been said that the best dads get promoted to grandpas. Grandfathers are good listeners, good storytellers, and most importantly, good friends. They are always there to laugh and play with their grandkids and even console them when necessary. Grandfathers are also often the source of sage advice, a benefit of their many years of experience. One thing is for sure, the love of a grandfather is a unique treasure that is never forgotten by their grandchildren. The times spent with a grandfather turn into precious memories that are conserved in the heart, even long after they have passed. Although it seems he is gone always remember what I taught you... The Body is the Temple that houses the Spirit and the Soul, and those are the things that GOD takes to his mansion in the sky to make of home for us when we take our journey. I love you Grandson and I know Grandpa will be in Heaven with your Mom. Grandmom..Voni and your sisters and Brother.*

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**Yvonne Wilson** - April 21, 2016 at 06:57 PM