



## Richard Owens

April 26, 1930 - May 7, 2021

Richard Owens, age 91, of Wilmington, DE, passed away peacefully on May 7, 2021, at home surrounded by family. Richard was born in Zion, Maryland to Avery and Ethel McKinney Owens on April 26, 1930. After being raised there, he built his first house less than 2 miles from Zion after he got married and left military service – living 52 years of his life within a 1.5-mile radius.

He served in the Army during the Korean war traveling to Germany as a Binocular Repairman. An electrician by trade, Richard worked for C. Paul Nickle for 27 years. He was one of the first employees, starting as an electrician, and finished his career there as Superintendent. You have likely been in a building in northern Delaware that Richard “wired.” Following his time as an electrician, Richard started and ran his own home remodeling business, MaRich Inc. Richard enjoyed working with his son, also an electrician, throughout his career.

Richard played the organ in his early life and had a great appreciation for music – he especially loved gospel, jazz, country, and theater organ music.

For many years, Richard was “Chairman of the Board” of a group of “breakfast guys” at Mary’s Country Kitchen in Stanton where many world problems were solved.

After his retirement in 1998, he enjoyed traveling with his wife and following the activities of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Richard is survived by his wife, Mary Owens; his son, Wayne Owens (Lynn); his daughter, Rene Pearson (Steve); stepchildren: Kim Guillen (Rob), Charles Clarke (Gloria), and Michael Clarke (Dawn); sister-in-law, Kitty Owens; 13 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Avery & Ethel Owens; and his brother, Alfred Owens.

A viewing will be held Friday, May 14, 2021, from 10-11 AM at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE 19702 followed by a service in celebration of Richard's life at 11 AM. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be sent to the American Diabetes Association ([www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org) or PO Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116-7023) or a charity of your choice. To send an online condolence, visit [www.stranofeeley.com](http://www.stranofeeley.com)

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Private**

**MAY** **Viewing** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home  
635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE, US, 19702

**MAY** **Service** 11:00AM

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Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home  
635 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE, US, 19702

# Comments

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“ Mary, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I'm so sorry for your loss.  
Deb Wein (Fraim Center)

Deb Wein - May 13, 2021 at 09:41 PM

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“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Richard Owens.



May 13, 2021 at 02:11 PM

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“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Richard Owens.



May 13, 2021 at 11:04 AM

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“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Owens.



May 12, 2021 at 05:04 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Owens.



May 11, 2021 at 05:45 PM

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“ Richard was one of the nicest most gentle man I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. We shared many wonderful conversations when I called and Mary was out. He knew so many things and loved to talk about them. I will miss him and all his wonderful ideas Rest in peace my friend your job is done and you can go home

**Rosemarie DeLong** - May 11, 2021 at 01:59 PM

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“ My heartfelt sympathy to Mary and your family. May his memory be a comfort and a blessing to you always. With love, Marj Pfaff

**Margaret Pfaff** - May 11, 2021 at 11:08 AM



“ Mary, Richard has earned his eternal rest, may you take comfort in knowing he will be watching over you now

**Ellie** - May 11, 2021 at 09:07 PM