### Active Pallbearers

Cory Aldridge De'Jon John Darrell "DK" Richards, II

Don Huey David Meeks Derrick Robinson

Kendrick Adkins Byron Coleman Michael Cross Braylen Malone

Honorary Pallbearers
Kevin Antoine

Kenneth Collins, Sr. Richard "Frog" Hampton Brandon Sidney

Kelvin Bennett, Jr. Kenneth Collins, II Marcus Jones Eric Keith Sidney

Acknowledgements

We, the family, would like to thank you for your calls, text messages, prayers, food, and offers of assistance. Thank you to those who traveled near and far to celebrate and support us.

~The Family~

Interment

Houston Memorial Gardens 2426 Cullen Blvd, Pearland, TX

Repast Immediately after service in the church fellowship hall

Final Arrangements Entrusted to





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## In Loving Memory of



Sunrise December 6, 1973

Sunset September 3, 2023

Service
Saturday, September 9, 2023 11:00am

**Greater Hope Missionary Baptist Church** 

9600 Scott Street Houston, TX 77051 Dr. Mose A. Jones, Pastor

Pastor L. Malbro, Officiating



# Eric's Story

Eric Fitzgerald Sidney was born on December 6, 1973, to Edward Dave Antoine and Betty Williams. Eric attended school in the Houston Independent School District. He obtained his Associates in Business from Howard College.

Eric married Raven, the love of his life on January 22, 2020. They were soul mates and cherished one another's time and presence a great deal, rarely leaving one another's side. Their blended family consisted of a total of six children and two grandchildren whom they found great joy in supporting in any way they could.

Eric was employed by the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA) Local Union No. 24. He was a proud union member and cherished his time at Local 24. Eric worked mostly at Houston Terminal starting in the "gear room" and later became one of the truck foremen for H.T.

He thoroughly loved and enjoyed spending time with all his family and close friends. He loved sports, cooking, music, and worldwide travel. Traveling worldwide became one of Eric's most favorite past-times, visiting places like Egypt, Paris, Barbados and Jamaica with family and friends each year. He also earned himself the self-proclaimed title of "Boobie Flay" after finding his love for cooking dishes smothered in various cheese sauces and barbequing the perfect fried ribs.

Eric was preceded in death by his father, (Edward Dave Antoine) and his sister (Melanie). He leaves to cherish his life beloved wife, Raven Sidney, mother Betty Williams (Artvel), siblings: Nicole (Thomas), Keven, Erica (Kenneth), Brandy, Dominique, Dameca (Walter), Erika and Billie Jean; children: Eric, Elexis, Erika, Samantha, Kendrick and Marcus; two grandchildren: Kaiden and Cire and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, close friends and co-workers.







































## Order of Service

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Prelude	Soft Music
Processional	Clergy, Bearers & Family
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament	Appointee
New Testament	Appointee
Prayer	
Musical Selection	Carlos Lewis, Jr.
Resolutions and Acknowledgements	Pastor Tasheba Menefee
Expressions	Local 24 Representatives & Family
	Bryce Hawk
	Patrick Green
	Nicole Antoine-King
	Sydney O'Connell
	Shalunda Evans
	Kenneth Collins, Sr
Musical Selection	The Crossettes
Eulogy	Pastor Larrie Malbro
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# Tributes of Love

#### To My Dearest Husband

I will always love you Handsome. You were an AMAZING man to me and made me feel special in every way. You took great care of me and gave me a lifetime of adventures that will never be matched. Although my head knows that you're in a better place, my heart misses you immensely. It gives me great joy to know that I will see you again one day. God blessed me with the love of a lifetime that will never be replaced. I love you so much Eric.

-Your soul mate and wife, Raven

#### To Our Father

Of all the many blessings however great or small, to have had you for a father was the greatest one of all. Our family chain has been temporarily broken for now and nothing seems the same. But as God takes us one by one our family chain will link again.

Love always, Your children and grandchildren.

#### To My Only Son

I hide my tears when I say your name, but the pain in my heart is still the same. Although I smile and seem carefree, there is NO ONE who misses you MORE than me....

-Your Mother

















#### To Our Brother

We do not need to get in front of the church and declare how much we love you. If anyone knows you and your siblings, they KNOW how much we love each other. We will not try to express how much we will miss you because words hadn't been created in the English language for this yet. This pain runs deep but we are reminded of the words of the Lord, "There is a time and a season for all things". We just never imagined your season would come so soon.

We love you Brother, Nikki, Keven, Erica, Brandy, Dameca, Dominique, Erika, and Billie Jean.

#### To My Dear Friend

I feel so privileged to be asked to give this tribute to Eric. We shared some dark times in life, and I am so happy God put us together even though it was somewhat frowned upon culturally. But the heart and the truth are pure, and color is a bonus. Eric loved adventure and he is having the adventure of his life right now. He made a difference in my life. He was compassionate and he was a warrior and slayed his dragons. Eric, Job well done.

~Dave

#### To Our Beloved Brother...

Boobie from another mother. We're so deeply heartbroken of your sudden transition. We will cherish the memories that we have with you and Raven. We've cried together, laughed together and had so much fun together. You will always be in our hearts. You're gone but never forgotten. We love you now and forever. We will miss hearing your laughter and seeing you.

We love you bro!
Don, Yvitta, and Deztinee

#### Our Uncle Boobie

The love we have for you is immeasurable. Although our earlier years were hit or miss, these last eight years with you made up for them all! You were the life of the party Unc and words cannot express you much you will be missed. The family vacations and backyard parties were the best and will NEVER be the same. Remember "Back to the Ship".

Forever in our hearts, Your nieces and nephew