



Eric D Askew

January 22, 1958 - December 4, 2024

Eric Douglas Askew departed this life on Wednesday, December 4, 2024. Born the second child to Lawrence Askew and Lillie Bell Askew (Gilder) on January 22, 1958, in Chattanooga, TN.

Eric graduated from Kirkman Technical High School in 1976, where he ran track and field and received several awards and academic acknowledgments. He attended the IBEW Electrical Apprenticeship Program, Local 175 in Chattanooga, and graduated as a journeyman electrician in 1981. He also received a Certificate in Ministry from Crossroads Bible College in 2006.

Eric met Frankie Slay at Westside Baptist Church where they both sang in the choir. After six years of dating, they married on June 16, 1978. Eric and Frankie became parents in 1979 and 1981.

During the earliest years of their union, Eric and Frankie resided in Chattanooga, TN, where Eric worked several jobs as an electrician. In 1984, Eric moved his family to Kokomo, IN, where he began his long and dedicated career with General Motors. Later, he moved his family to Indianapolis, IN, where he retired from General Motors after 31 years (2018).

Eric started his relationship with the Lord at Westside Missionary Baptist Church in Chattanooga TN where he served as president of the adult choir.

He later continued his service in ministry as a deacon, Sunday school teacher, and mentor at Word of Life Baptist Church and Greater Northwest Baptist Church in Indianapolis, IN.

Eric is preceded in death by his parents, Lawrence and Lillie Askew.

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife of 46 years, Frankie Askew, and children Eric T Askew (Abbey) and Tanorria Askew Nickson (Johntay). Two grandchildren, Emme Askew and Ellis Askew. Brother, Jerry Askew, Chattanooga, TN. Sister, Beverly Askew, Covington, GA. Sister in Laws, Phyllis Gore (Kevin), Ellwanda White (Vincent), and Coletta Elder, Chattanooga, TN. Brothers in Laws, Steven McCallum and Edward McCallum, Chattanooga, TN. A devoted Aunt, Lucille Browder, Glendwood, IL. A devoted cousin, Evelyn Wisham, Shaker Heights, OH, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, godchildren, and friends.

Acknowledgments

The family of Eric D. Askew would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for the outpouring of love and support we have received. Your cards, flowers, meals, and all other acts of kindness have been a great comfort to us during this difficult time. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.

Cemetery Details

Lincoln Memory Gardens

6851 S. Whitestown
Indianapolis, IN 46075

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Greater Northwest Baptist Church
3402 W. 62nd Street
Indianapolis, IN 46268
<http://gnwbc.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ *My sincere condolences to the family and friends!* ”



Dr. Jessica Mason - December 18, 2024 at 06:03 PM



“ *Elva Mathis-Pullom lit a candle in memory of Eric D Askew* ”



Elva Mathis-Pullom - December 17, 2024 at 01:58 PM

CJ

“ *Been knowing Eric since we were kids He was a good man and friend The Askews were friends with my mom and dad and after church on Sunday sometimes they would stop by to fellowship with us Eric Beverly and Jerry were always nice to play with.ERIC AND I would play ball and was always playfully trash talk to each other As we grew older we still stayed in contact with each other He would sent me a text daily about a prayer or a gospel singing It's really hard to believe he is gone We just talked a couple weeks ago RIP brother You will truly be miss. To the family my condolences from the Salmon family* ”

Claude Salmon jr - December 16, 2024 at 04:31 PM

GM

“ Thank you for all your encouraging words, scriptures, and prayers. You were a good neighbor in Tennessee. You will be missed. The Mason family.



Greg Mason - December 16, 2024 at 08:42 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eric D Askew.



December 15, 2024 at 07:28 PM

MT

“ Keeping the family lifted in prayer during Eric's transition. The Bethel Baptist Virtual Sunday School Class will not be the same without him. May you find comfort in knowing he was truly a man of faith. God bless you

Mattie Thomas, Tullahoma, Tn - December 14, 2024 at 10:53 AM

KC

“ Please accept my deepest condolences on Eric's transition. May the God of all Comfort strengthen you during this time of bereavement. Remember the good times & all the fond memories. 🙏🙏🙏

Kathy Curtis - December 13, 2024 at 10:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Eric D Askew.*



December 11, 2024 at 03:26 PM



“ *My Sincere condolences to my family during this time of sorrow. It was a shock when I received the news of Eric passing and for the members of the Westside Missionary Baptist Church where you all started your walk in faith. I am praying for you and know that God will be your comforter during this time and in the days to come. May your memories keep a smile on your face and warm your hearts, just as Eric did for so many.*

Sincerely, Carol Bell-Johnson

Carol E Johnson - December 10, 2024 at 08:54 AM



In Life's Journey, there are only a few friendships with impactful power and endurance...I count Eric as such a friend. Family, remain encouraged in the Lord. Pray, Praise, and Preach 🙏 Michael Prater, Sr.

Michael Prater - December 15, 2024 at 09:56 PM



We share our sincere condolences during this difficult time. It is our privilege to have served your family. Sincerely, Kathryn and all the staff at Lincoln Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Kathryn Gross - December 17, 2024 at 03:56 PM