



Eric Garfield Golden

July 16, 1960 - December 10, 2024

Obituary

Eric Garfield Golden was the second of three sons born to Edison D. and Miriam E. Golden on July 16, 1960, in Pocomoke City, Maryland. He was called to his eternal reward on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at Tidal Health Peninsula Regional Hospital in Salisbury, Maryland.

Eric was educated in the public schools of Worcester County and graduated from Pocomoke High School in 1978. He distinguished himself academically and athletically. He was one of the top students in his class, was elected both Junior and Senior Class President, and was a team captain on the football team. He continued his education at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland where he graduated Cum Laude in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. After returning to Pocomoke following his college graduation, Eric enlisted in the United States Air Force in April 1983 and served as a Law Enforcement Specialist. He was honorably discharged as a Sergeant in December 1987 and then became a police officer with the Prince George's County Maryland Police Department.

Eric was reared and nurtured in the Christian faith, as he grew up in Mount Zion United Methodist Church. In his formative years, he participated in Church School on a regular basis and was an active member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and the Youth Choir. As an adult, he maintained his personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

An avid outdoorsman, Eric was passionate about hunting and was a devoted fan of the Baltimore Ravens and Baltimore Orioles. Inherited from his father, Eric's love and appreciation of music was a significant part of his life. When you passed by his house, you could always hear Eric playing gospel music on Sundays and enjoying jazz, blues, and classic soul throughout the rest of the week. A principled person who understood the true meaning of service and friendship, Eric was blessed with an ability to develop and maintain meaningful bonds with people regardless of their stature in life. He was well known and respected in the community for his generosity and spirit.

Eric was preceded in death by: his brother, Tyrone Golden; paternal grandparents, Marie and Ed Golden and maternal grandparents, Allen Blount, Sr. and Alice Downing (Blount) Doane.

Eric is survived by: his parents, Edison and Miriam Golden; daughter Erika Golden; son, Enrique Golden; granddaughter, Rayven Pye; brother, Tilden Golden (Stephanie); three nephews, Cameron Golden, Morgan Golden and Golden; four aunts, Eloise Marshall, Sharon Hilton, Kellie Holland and Paulette Primus; several cousins and numerous other relatives and friends. Eric may have left us physically, but he will forever remain in our hearts and we will cherish his memory always.

Lovingly Submitted ~ The Golden Family

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church (Pocomoke)
407 Oxford Street
Pocomoke City,, MD 21851

Funeral Service

DEC 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Live Stream Broadcast on Facebook

DEC 21. 1:00 PM.

Bennie Smith Funeral Home MD / VA

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - December 20, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ *Bennie Smith Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eric Garfield Golden*



Bennie Smith Funeral Home - December 20, 2024 at 02:21 PM

MH

Beautiful tribute ❤️❤️❤️

Mable Holden - December 20, 2024 at 07:24 PM

AF

“ *Art & Diane Mewborn & Family lit a candle in memory of Eric Garfield Golden*



Art & Diane Mewborn & Family - December 21, 2024 at 12:26 PM

A.

“ A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Garfield Golden.

A. - December 21, 2024 at 12:09 PM

MW

“ Myra Mills Watts lit a candle in memory of Eric Garfield Golden



Myra Mills Watts - December 20, 2024 at 11:48 AM

DV

“ DARRYL SMITH & Family (Yorktown Va) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Garfield Golden.

DARRYL SMITH & Family (Yorktown Va) - December 19, 2024 at 11:03 AM

DV

“ DARRYL SMITH & Family (Yorktown Va) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Eric Garfield Golden.



DARRYL SMITH & Family (Yorktown Va) - December 19, 2024 at 11:03 AM

JM

“ *Jeanie Mason lit a candle in memory of Eric Garfield Golden*



Jeanie Mason - December 19, 2024 at 10:50 AM

MH

“ *Mable Holden lit a candle in memory of Eric Garfield Golden*



Mable Holden - December 14, 2024 at 10:21 PM

SP

“ *I can't believe Eric has passed away. I've known Eric since Oxford Street where he lived with his family. Eric came from a good family, parents worked to give the boys a good life. He will be missed by family and friends. Rest in the Lord. "It is No Secret What God Can Do,What He Done For Others. He'll Do For You". John 15*

*With GOD'S peace, 🕊️🌟🙏
Sheila Palmer*

Sheila Palmer - December 14, 2024 at 01:26 AM

MD

One of my favorite cousins I grew up with.

Melvin A Downing - December 17, 2024 at 07:58 AM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss* ”



Thomas Widgeon - December 14, 2024 at 01:26 AM