



# Matthew LeVar Crippen

December 31, 1991 - November 22, 2023

## MATTHEW'S JOURNEY

Matthew LeVar Crippen (1991-2023) was born to Forest Crippen, Jr. and the late Donna Price on December 31, 1991, in Salisbury, Maryland. He departed this life on Wednesday, November 22, 2023.

Matthew LeVar Crippen received a formal education at James M. Bennett High School in Salisbury, Maryland. He served in the United States Army 2012-2015, where he was united in holy matrimony to the love of his life, Patricia Crippen.

Matt, as he was called by many, loved to work and he was employed at Evo and Perdue in Salisbury, Maryland. Matt was very instrumental and an asset at every place that employed him. He was a devoted son, a loving brother and a friend to many, an uncle and most importantly, a caregiver. During Matt's call of duty in the United States Army, he received the Medal of Achievement Award and the M16 Sharpshooter Award.

Matt was a man who possessed many talents and he loved to help those in need. Also, he would give you the shirt off his back and if you knew him or ever saw him, he would never have on a shirt.

Matt was very free spirited and a loving person. He loved fishing, his dog “Mama” (his baby) and everybody’s children, even though he didn’t have any of his own.

Matt truly loved football and he was definitely a fan of the Baltimore Ravens. Whenever he showed up and a game was going on, he was the life of the party. We will always have these memories of laughter and keep them going to remind us of him in the past, in the present and in the future! Matt, just know you will be greatly missed by many...

Matthew LeVar Crippen leaves to cherish loving memories of his blessed life with: his wife, Patricia and his father, Forest E Crippen, Jr. (Chris), both of Salisbury, MD; brothers and sisters, VaShawn Price of Salisbury, MD, Michelle Crippen-Ayres (Norman) of Salisbury, MD, Ebony Crippen of Philadelphia, PA, TaKenya Crippen (Jarrell) of Pocomoke City, MD, TaKeshia Crippen (Terrance) of Philadelphia, PA and Forest Crippen III “Tre” of Salisbury, MD; his grandmother, Annie Byrd of Pocomoke City, MD; twenty-seven nieces and nephews; five uncles; seven aunts and a host of other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Donna Price and his grandparents, Donald and Willie Ann Price and Forest E. Crippen, Sr.

LOVINGLY SUBMITTED ~ THE FAMILY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 1. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center  
901 West Isabella Street  
Salisbury, MD 21801

## Funeral Service

DEC 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Salisbury, MD 21801

## Live Stream Broadcast on Facebook

DEC 1. 11:00 AM.

Bennie Smith Funeral Home MD / VA

# Tribute Wall

JR

“ My name is Jeff Rantz. I run poker at the VFW in Salisbury, MD. About three months, Mathew ,as my wife and I knew him as, started playing Texas Holdem Poker at the VFW. Mathew would play in the tournaments and for the record Mathew was pretty good and cashed a few times. Cheryl and I would often talk about our new players and we simply loved Mathew. Such a nice guy. And all the other players enjoyed having Mathew in the crowd. When we heard the news about losing Mathew we were crushed. Mathew we miss you brother!!!!

Jeff Rantz - December 06, 2023 at 12:40 PM

MB

Every Friday he was there the food he brought home from there was so delicious..

Melissa Bailey - December 07, 2023 at 11:24 AM

MM

“ Matthew, me and King miss you so much! We love you so much. I miss your presence, your personality, your smile. Tell MomDonna I said hello. ❤️🙏



Markeshia Macer - December 04, 2023 at 03:06 PM

FV

“ From the Salvation Army - Gloucester VA purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Matthew LeVar Crippen.



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**From the Salvation Army - Gloucester VA** - November 29, 2023 at 05:46 PM

TC

“ So Hurt About this But I know you are in a better place 🥀🥀🥀🥀 I Will Always Be My Brother Keeper it's a Crippen Thing some wouldn't understand the bond an longs distance we have but the love he have for his sister an niece's an nephew's it's bond that can't be broken 💔



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**Takiesha Crippen** - November 29, 2023 at 02:54 PM

MP

“ To my nephew Matt "Red"...it's hard to digest that you are gone...I took Donna to PRMC to give birth to you! My love and memories of you will last forever and a day..."Auntie Lisa" loves you!! 🥀🥀🥀💖

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**Miriam Price** - November 28, 2023 at 01:25 PM