



## Mr. Eric Jermaine Akers

October 16, 1987 - June 20, 2022

Eric Jermaine Akers of Spring, Texas and a longtime resident of Beaumont, Texas, transitioned into Heaven on June 20, 2022, in Houston, Texas.

Celebration of Life Service for Eric will be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 2, 2022, at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church located at 3920 W. Cardinal Drive, Beaumont, Texas 77705. Social distancing protocols will be practiced, and face masks may be required.

Eric was the baby boy born on October 16, 1987, in Beaumont, Texas to Horace Akers, III and Ramona Akers joining his two brothers, Horace IV and Quincy. He was baptized at an early age at their family church, Sunlight Missionary Baptist Church until becoming a longtime member at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church and was licensed to preach to Gospel in December 2007. He serviced in the music ministry and truly loved to worship God in song!

Eric entered the Ben Rogers/Lamar University/Beaumont ISD/"I Have A Dream" Program in his sixth grade year (for the future Class of 2006) providing mentorship, guidance and support for college readiness. He remained active in the program which was very instrumental to his educational journey. The program's leadership, Ms. Margueritte Humphrey and Ms. Regina Rogers continued to encourage Eric throughout his years of health

challenges, even to his final days.

Eric graduated from Ozen High School in 2006 and received his bachelor's degree in 2015 from Lamar University of Beaumont, Teacher Certification, and his master's in Educational Leadership from Grand Canyon University. He worked as a Music/Choir/Math teacher in several school districts: Beaumont ISD (Smith MS, Central HS, South Park MS, Odom MS); Port Arthur ISD (Lincoln MS); Humble ISD and other Houston area schools. During this time, Eric inspired many with his musical skills, as well as helping many scholars while developing great friendships. He became a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. in the Spring 2022, Alpha Beta Sigma Chapter. His Line name was "Steadfast."

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; Horace Akers, II, Zadie Akers, Roberta Smalls and Willard Smalls, Sr., Maurice Walters, Sr. and other relatives.

Eric's legacy of kindness and joy (fun) will be lovingly remembered his devoted mother, Ramona Akers Cotton; father, Horace Akers, III; brothers, Horace Akers, IV and wife Sonya (Eric called her "my sister") and Quincy Akers; grandmother: Mrs. Josie Walters, nieces: Joredyn Lewis, Hailey Akers, Hilary Akers, Madison Akers; great nephew: Ahmir Karter Allie; his Aunts: Velma, Billie, Jerri, Katie, Minnie, Tara, Santoria and Eunice; his Uncles: Maurice Jr. and David.; his "Wife/Woman" Renata Rawlins and his 'play daughter' Renea'; God fathers: Lawrence J. Ingram and Rev. Major Goldman; dedicated friends, Rev. Justin and Candise Henderson and a host of cousins, other relatives, and many friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Anthony Cemetery

3908 Pine St.  
Beaumont, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church  
3920 W Cardinal Dr.  
Beaumont, TX 77705

## Funeral Service

JUL 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church  
3920 W Cardinal Dr.  
Beaumont, TX 77705

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Eric Jermaine Akers*

October 05, 2023 at 01:51 AM



“ *Much love, Eric. Such a privilege to teach you at both Odom and Lamar. Such a talent, and such a gentle soul.*  
*Mrs. Turner*

Noel Turner - July 02, 2022 at 11:05 AM



“ *It's difficult writing these words to you, Eric. You were such a sweet, kind, godly young man who didn't let your circumstances define you. I will miss you, but I know you are on the banks of the river. What a time!*

Dr. Debra Williams - July 02, 2022 at 02:05 AM



“ *I taught you social studies at ôdôm and ozen. May you rest in peace*

Mike mcaleer - July 02, 2022 at 12:40 AM



“ *Mike Mcaleer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eric Jermaine Akers*



Mike mcaleer - July 02, 2022 at 12:35 AM

TM

“ I didn't know you but a short time but it seemed as if we knew one another for years. "Merchant" is what you called me followed up by "listen" which I absolutely loves to hear you say. Within a short time we bonded and the last time we talked you told me you missed me. Thank you so much for being you and genuine.

tamika merchant - July 01, 2022 at 11:23 PM

RW

“ Min. Akers, you were always full of smiles...always so kind. The girls told stories of when they were in the youth ministry with you and we laughed as we remembered you. That angelic, soft voice will always be remembered. It was a pleasure singing alongside you! Get your rest "Baby Face". Love you always! ❤️



Regina Williams - July 01, 2022 at 06:31 PM

AE

Eric your were such a wonderful person. Your voice was heavenly. You brought joy to everyone. I thank God I knew you. I am sure you have brought a lot of joy and laughter to heaven. May God bless your family during this time

Annette Harmon Edwards - July 02, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Eric Jermaine Akers.



July 01, 2022 at 01:02 PM

DS

“ My buddy, I will miss you so much. Rest well Eric I will see you in the morning.

Derrick Shynett - June 30, 2022 at 11:34 PM

MS


“ This is Merle!!! I still can't believe you are gone. I will miss those dimples and that smile. The first time I heard you sing, it was like a melody from heaven. I will miss the times we went out to eat and that other place. Take your rest Boo I will always love and miss you. Muriel Merle Shynett

Muriel Shneyt - June 30, 2022 at 11:25 PM

SE

“ Heaven just gained another singing angel. Take your rest Eric . You will be missed . Wilbur, Sitrena , Quel & D.J. Edward's

Sitrena Edwards - June 30, 2022 at 10:33 PM

 Tammy  
McCain  
Champagne

“ Eric you always had a beautiful smile I will remember what you said to me as long as I live Your voice was golden you remind me of my mother sing unto God himself I will miss you Sleep well my sweet friend/ son

Tammy McCain Champagne - June 29, 2022 at 10:37 PM

YS

“ Eric you will be missed. I still can't believe you're gone. The good times we had will never be forgotten. A kind wonderful soul. You kept me laughing. Love you always 💕

Yolanda D Smith - June 29, 2022 at 04:25 PM

EE

“ Praying for the Akers family, the Lord will bless and keep you at this difficult time. 🙏🙏🙏🙏



Ester Egins - June 28, 2022 at 03:16 PM

EB

Eric, from the days of "I have a dream" you remained that well focused and grounded young man. We were impacted by that contagious personality. We all loved you, but God loved you best. You will be forever missed and loved. Praying for your family.  
Emma Brown

Emma Brown - June 30, 2022 at 08:02 PM

SJ

“ I would like to send my condolences to Mr. Akers family. I am grateful that I got a chance to meet Mr. Akers and he was able to share some of his wisdom as well as his humor with me. I will continue to use some of the tools you taught me as I continue my teaching career thank you for all you have done rest easy.

Shaney Jackson - June 28, 2022 at 10:32 AM

PF

“ Eric when I got the news I felt my heart drop. U always been kind to me and my kids. Even though u didn't have kids couldn't tell cause all the kids of Antioch thought of you as uncle etc. They looked up to u. I hate I want be in town to give my final goodbyes but I will think of your family as the say Goodnight we see u in the morning. Rest my friend

Phyllis Fontenette - June 27, 2022 at 10:35 PM

DB

“ A humble, gentle, never lost for words, sweet soul and my friend. Thank you for being the person God created you to be. To your loved ones... God be with you and my heart ❤️ feels your hurt. Rest on Eric Akers.

Darlene Bonner - June 27, 2022 at 09:43 PM

YB

“ Wow I don't know where to start, but I can say this is a hard pill to swallow. When I tell you that this man right here kept me laughing all day every day and I will always remember what you told me, don't just sit and wait if you are not happy move around and it happened but you call me and said that it was Gods time he was ready to shake it up and he did. I didn't get a chance to tell you about my new job but I know you already know. Oooh before I forget it's still your week to buy popsicles from the corner store. 😭😭😭😭  
Rest easy my friend until we meet again 🙏🙏🙏🙏

Yolonda Brown - June 27, 2022 at 08:38 PM

AB

“ Eric ,I had the pleasure of working with you at Homedepot and then traveling with Ozen Choir,and being in the choir with you at Antioch you don't know how your life impacted so many people so Rest In Heaven!!!!

Andrea Bundrage(Dre) - June 27, 2022 at 05:53 PM

KB

“ All I can say is he was for me! I will love him forever...my friend to the end 😊.

Kenitra BennettEdwards - June 27, 2022 at 12:52 PM

DR

“ I'm sending my prayers and comfort to the Akers family. Mr.Akers and I shared corner classrooms we would share our weekend stories, and church jokes being P.K. I was glad to know I had a Christian friend at work. You were my friend, Eric, especially when we ran into each other at the discount store, we laugh about having more in common. In the mornings I would sing in background with him a melody to let him he wasn't by himself. I wanted to cheer him up on days when I knew he wasn't feeling well,even though he never complained. I admire you for pushing through all of the doctor's appointments, now you can rest and lay peacefully. Eric, I will always keep you in my memories as a great friend.

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**Dominique Rice** - June 26, 2022 at 11:16 PM

SA

*Thank you Mrs.  
Rice for such kind words and memories*

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**Sonya Akers** - June 27, 2022 at 12:45 PM

MM

“ To Eric my fond memory of you is when I was sitting at the Humble Rhodes Campus and you walk in and acknowledge that I was you Matron at church where you grew up THANKS GOD for the up bringing and respect people don't have to say nice things about you but he was a sweet young man then he got to meet my granddaughter AUBRIELLE and that day her hair came out of her rubber band and she came home and said momma Mr. Aker fixed my hair he put this stuff(gel) and comb it back in place he was that special person RIP ERIC YOU WILL BE MISSED

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**maxine m.black** - June 26, 2022 at 10:08 PM

MM

“ Love you cousin Rest well

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**Missy Moton** - June 26, 2022 at 05:52 PM

KB

“ To the Family and Friends of Mr. Akers, please accept my heartfelt condolences. I was blessed to meet Mr. Akers this year as my Math Coach. We started out rocky only because we had our own ideas of how things should. But eventually we became a team and the friendship evolved. Not to mention Mr. Akers had a love for keeping my markers and I in turn would keep his magic erasers (inside joke). Nevertheless, I learned so much from Mr. Akers. Our morning conversations and his presence standing near my classroom will be sorely missed. I find comfort in knowing he is no longer in pain or discomfort. May God give you the strength to continue Mr. Akers' legacy and love for music.

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**Kameko Bowers** - June 26, 2022 at 05:49 PM



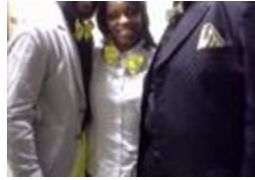
“ To the family and friends of Eric Akers; please know the RSPA crew is praying for you and the Williams family. You may not know it, Mr. Akers and I worked together in Spring ISD and RSPA. He always had a song in his heart and a word from the Lord. So many times he encouraged me. He will truly be missed. Phyllis Williams & Family

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**Phyllis Williams** - June 26, 2022 at 05:20 PM

LL

“ Eric oh Eric, you were such a gentle soul. I can't say I ever witness you mad. Your laughter and smile always made it a joy to be around. I would always say you were a walking miracle. I loved cooking meatloaf for you and making the others mad, lol. 😂 You will be greatly missed. Do me a favor, Sit next to my dad & grandmother then sing two songs for me, Guide Me Over (you start and my dad will finish it) & Oh How Precious. Yesssss yes yesssss!!! I Love You forever and always. LL



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LaSonia Latulas - June 25, 2022 at 06:56 PM

RE

“ To my Fatso,

*Silly of me to think I'd have you forever. I am ever grateful for the times we had to share. The laughs, the smiles, the tears, the breakthroughs that we've been through together are immeasurable. The love you imparted into our daughter is like none other. Renea' can truly say she landed nothing and it's all because of you. Rest on Husband Man... I'll see you again*

Love,

*Wife pdzdd d dzdt s t*



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**renata** - June 25, 2022 at 06:12 PM

SA

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



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**Sonya Akers** - June 25, 2022 at 04:23 PM

SA

“ *We love you Eric and your will be missed so much!!!*

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**Sonya Akers** - June 25, 2022 at 04:15 PM