



Eric Yates

December 21, 1971 - October 1, 2020

Eric Lee Yates, 48, passed away on Thursday, October 1, 2020, at his home in Louisville. Graveside services and interment will be 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 3 at Whitehall Cemetery with Rev. Heath Hillman officiating. Visitation will be the day of the service from 12:30 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Nowell-Massey Funeral Home in Louisville, Mississippi.

Eric was born December 21, 1971, to Bobby and Mary Ann Yates in Kosciusko, Mississippi. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Louisville. Eric enjoyed working in Retail Management and was always ready to visit with his customers. He was really a soft-hearted “teddy bear” who loved his nieces, nephews, and younger cousins very much. Eric was known as “Big Daddy” to most of his friends with whom he enjoyed grilling and watching football games. He was an avid fan of Mississippi State football and the Pittsburg Steelers.

Eric is survived by his parents Bobby and Mary Ann Yates of Louisville, his sister Rhonda Yates Walker of Picayune, Mississippi, and his brother Corey Yates and wife Amanda of Richland, Mississippi. He also leaves behind his nieces and nephews: Laine (Michael) Nanney, Brooke Walker, Malerie Yates, Corinna Yates, and Abram Yates, as well as his aunts, uncles, and cousins. Eric was preceded in death by both his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Serving as pallbearers are Corey Yates, Abram Yates, Jason Wright, Jeremy Boler, Jason Carr, and Russ Nowell. Memorial contributions in honor of Eric may be given to Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children, Office of Development, 2500 N. State Street, Jackson, MS 39216.

Services are under the direction of Nowell Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.nowell-masseyfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Whitehall Cemetery

10595 Highway 14 West
Louisville, MS 39339

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home
724 N. Columbus Avenue
Louisville, MS 39339
(662) 773-3501
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net
<https://www.masseyfuneralhome.net/>

Graveside

OCT 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

Whitehall Cemetery
10595 Highway 14 West
Louisville, MS 39339

Interment

OCT 3 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eric Yates*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *I many fond memories of Eric. He was a great friend to everyone. He had a big heart and was always the life of the party. He always had a ear to listen and a witty sense of humor. He will be missed by many. Until we meet again my friend.*

Jennifer Hazelwood Kirk - October 04, 2020 at 08:11 PM



“ *Sincere sympathy,
Mozell Hull*

Mozell Hull - October 02, 2020 at 09:34 PM



“ *Always love you my dear friend, and my brother! You will be so missed! I will cherish our memories. Rest in the loving arms of our Savior.. love you, Roxanne.*



Roxanne Russell - October 02, 2020 at 09:33 PM

JT

“ I am saddened by the loss of my friend Eric. We have been friends for many years and never run out of conversation. The last time I spoke with him he was telling how much he enjoyed my blackberry wine cake and how soon I was going to make him another. I'm just wondering what he and Clark Hodge have been discussing. RIP my friend.

Jimmy Thompson - October 02, 2020 at 08:55 PM

AP

“ Dear Mary Ann and Bobby, I am so sorry. Please know that your family is in my prayers.

Ann Randle Poche - October 02, 2020 at 08:35 PM

CT

“ Bobby, Mary Anne other family members and loved ones, I am so very sorry for your loss. The loss of a child is beyond understanding. My prayers for Gods comfort are with you.

Carol Turnipseed - October 02, 2020 at 07:07 PM

LP

“ You will be missed. All of the memories we have shared at the fair, cookouts during deer season and all the gatherings at the Country Club and so many more. You will be remembered for so much. You will be missed "Big Daddy". Fly high our friend. You have joined the other Angles before you. Clark, Andy and Douglas. I know you all will have a great reunion. We will miss you. Shane Partridge and Lee Daniel.

Lee Daniel & Shane Partridge - October 02, 2020 at 06:34 PM

RR

“BIG DADDY,” I love you, I always have and I always will. When I was told of your passing I said, “NO, Say it isn’t So!!” 😭😭. I will miss your big hugs, and sweet memories. You were a friend to everyone. “An angel on Earth.” I will miss you everyday until we meet again. LHS Class of 1990 loves you & will always mourn you. Rest In Peace, love!! One day I will see you again. Love, Roxanne Reed Russell “Rox”

Roxanne Russell - October 02, 2020 at 10:42 AM