

William Eley

July 14, 1963 - April 21, 2022

William Eley affectionately known as "Stepalong" or "Stephan" was born on July 14, 1963 in New York. God used Geneva Eley to bring William into this world. Goldie Gatlin was the angel on Earth that nurtured and raised him. On Thursday, April 21, 2022, our husband, father, stepdad, grandpa, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin and friend made a peaceful transition into eternal life. William was raised in Murfreesboro, North Carolina and completed most of his education in Hertford County, North Carolina. He graduated from Hertford County High School in Murfreesboro, North Carolina in 1982. He lived in North Carolina most of his life and moved to Georgia in 1997.

William's greatest joy was spending time with family and friends. He loved fishing, going to car shows, watching movies and traveling. His passion for driving allowed him to drive as a profession. At the time of his passing, he was employed by White's Transportation.

No words can describe how much William will be missed. He will live on in the hearts of his family through so many precious memories. He is survived by his wife of almost 31 years Surretta Faison Eley; his children, Teaunda Rodgers (Tavarus), Martin McCoy, Jr, Whitney Eley (Dominique) and Willetta Eley; seven brothers, Greg (Tammy), Roland, Dwayne (Sherry), Anthony (Renalda), Keith (Ollie), Derrick and Wayne (Rachel); two sisters, Navasha (Anthony) and Tamara; three aunts, Mary Eley, Earlene Watford and Mildred Cooper; grandchildren, King McCoy, Brycen Rodgers and baby Logan Robinson who's arrival he was anxiously awaiting on July 14, 2022; and a host of nephews,

nieces, cousins and friends.

He was predeceased by his biological mother Geneva Eley and his mother Goldie Gatlin.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Eley*

November 09, 2022 at 12:28 PM



“ *RIP my family and Classmate.*



Falicia Gatling - April 29, 2022 at 01:23 PM



“ *Condolences to the family on the loss of your love one.*

Doctors Gilbert and Charmont Hall-Stephen

Charmont Hall-Stephen - April 27, 2022 at 11:42 PM



“ *Westelle Cherry lit a candle in memory of William Eley*



Westelle Cherry - April 26, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William Eley.*



April 25, 2022 at 02:41 PM



“ *To The Eley Family,
I light this candle In loving memory of my dear friend William. We work together at Reuse Technology in Rocky Mount many years ago.*



I later moved to lumberton but every time William traveled I-95 he would stop and we would meet at the local truck stop.

We stayed in contact through text and phone calls just to say I hope all is well with you , wish each other Happy Fathers Day Merry Christmas, or send greetings for any holiday.

Edwards Epps and I were blessed to know the kind, thoughtful, and caring man William Eley. My family and I are truly sorry for your loss.

*Virgil L. Hutchinson
Maxton NC*

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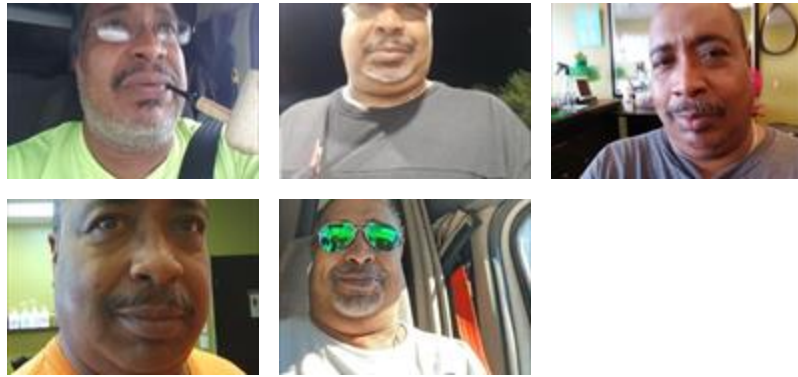
“ Raye Holley lit a candle in memory of William Eley



Raye Holley - April 25, 2022 at 02:23 PM



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