



Mr. Eric W. Davis

February 7, 1975 - August 2, 2025

Eric Wayne “Black E” Davis, born on February 7, 1975, to Terry Ann Davis and Emanuel Coates in Peoria, Illinois, transitioned to Glory on Saturday, August 2, 2025.

Eric accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized at an early age attending Rising Sun Christian Church where he participated in BYF (Baptist Youth Fellowship) and sang in the choir.

Eric graduated from E. N. Woodruff High School in Peoria, Illinois, in 1993, and Full Sail University in Winter Park, Florida, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Business. His love for music expanded into various genres with the focus on R & B, and Hip-Hop. He was the founder and CEO of NITTY GRITTY Records, where he wrote and produced hit records such as C.O.P. Playazz “Uncontrolled Substance” and a fan favorite Black Crusaders “We Gets Em’ Heated.” Eric loved to travel. His last employment was truck driving across the country.

Eric’s passion was his family. He loved getting together for family barbeques and playing cards, he also loved going to the beach. He had his own sense of style that was matched by none.

Eric was preceded in death by his mother, Terry Davis, his siblings, Tanoa

Davis, Arnisha Davis, Karlissa Davis, and Frank Suggs, his maternal grandparents Clarence and Josephine Hobbs, his paternal grandparents Willie and Elizabeth Coates, and several aunts and uncles.

Eric leaves behind to cherish his memory of his father: Emanuel (Kara) Coates; stepfather: Rodge Travis; children: Eteraka Davis, Kaizon Davis, and Jerimiah Davis of Peoria, Illinois; Kyairla Davis, Imani Davis, Nia Davis, and Emmanuel Davis of Orlando, Florida; and Royalty Davis of Indianapolis, Indiana. Amir Matthew, Annie Atkins, Tanqueria Willford, and Arthea Coleman.; siblings; His beautiful grandchildren Eterion Burnside, Lakota Owens, and Journee; a special aunt: Patricia Davis, along with a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Among those closest to him were special friends Antwaun Banks, Tony Stuckey, Kenzo Irby and Keiya Robertson.

Eric lived life to the fullest, leaving a lasting impression on all who knew him. He will be deeply missed by all his family, friends, and everyone whose life he touched.

A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, August 16, 2025, at T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Minister Artilla Kasaru will officiate.

Arrangements were made especially for the “Davis” family and professionally directed by T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel. Live streaming can be viewed by clicking the link for TW Parks Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/tw-parkscolonialchapel>. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of “Eric Wayne Davis” please visit our Sympathy Store.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 16. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel
201 N. Mac Arthur Hwy
Peoria, IL 61605
twparksc@yaho.com

Tribute Wall

EH

“ My condolences to the family and friends Eric you really broke me with this 💔 I don't know how I didn't know you passed away I know we would go for a couple months without talking but never in a million years I thought that you would be gone like this I'm so lost for words right now I just don't even know how to feel right now I just know I'm hurting but you will continue to live in my heart ❤️U Eric until we cross paths again I'll see you later love 💔💔💔

Erika Hodge - November 11, 2025 at 09:13 PM

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“ The Woodruff HS Warrior Nation mourns the loss of a fellow alum.



S. D. Andersom, WHS Class 1965 - October 19, 2025 at 09:09 AM

CB

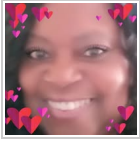
“ I love you my dearest God Brother. You will be so missed. I won't forget our last conversation. Kiss your mom Pwee, Noa, Nish, Carlissa, and my sister Brandy for me. May god bless all of your family and children.

Chakara J Bush-Flynn - August 15, 2025 at 01:08 AM

SG

“ I don't have very many memories with big Cuz. But my dad (Larry Sullivan) does and he loved him very much. Sad that the family decided to exclude him because he could not make it to your service! However, the Sullivan family loved you and we know you will sleep in peace with Granny Josephine and Paw Paw Clarence ☐

Shenay Glover - August 15, 2025 at 12:37 AM



“ Darlene Horton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eric W. Davis



Darlene Horton - August 12, 2025 at 01:50 PM

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“ First my heart goes out to the family and his kids! Sending love at this difficult time. Eric/Black-E was a solid individual. Thank-You for all your inspiration, insightful conversations, connections, wisdom and playing a huge part in my upbringing! Definitely was one of one. Love is Love. 🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️

Noob - August 07, 2025 at 09:41 AM

DP

“ Condolences to Davis family. I've been knowing Eric since he was a baby. Praying for the family.

Darryl Pegues - August 07, 2025 at 04:45 AM

KL

“ *Kimberly Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eric W. Davis*



Kimberly Lewis - August 06, 2025 at 08:30 PM

ZB

“ *Zerlyna Burse-Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eric W. Davis*



Zerlyna Burse-Taylor - August 06, 2025 at 08:05 PM

RB

“ *Ruth Bush lit a candle in memory of Mr. Eric W. Davis*



Ruth Bush - August 06, 2025 at 03:55 PM

RB

Praying for the family ,I have known Eric ever since the day he was born it breaks my heart ❤️ he has now transition to another home not made with hands Eric I am going to miss you. I know that your mom,sisters,aunt and cousins have greeted you with open arms. Love ❤️ you

Ruth Bush - August 06, 2025 at 04:05 PM

SH

“ Rest well, son 🙁🙁🙁🙁

Shirley R Hughes - August 06, 2025 at 03:00 PM

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Noob - August 07, 2025 at 09:29 AM