



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Edward Earl
ANDREWS

MAY 14, 1948 | JULY 30, 2023

Obituary

Edward Earl Andrews (Ed), son of Katie Andrews and L.G. Andrews Sr. was born May 14, 1948 in Prairie Point, Mississippi. He attended the public schools of Noxubee County and was a graduate of B.F. Liddell High School. At an early age he began to learn about God as he attended New Zion Baptist Church and eventually professed his faith in God after having a personal experience of witnessing God's presence after visiting the mourning bench which was an experience he often spoke about. Ed's love for God was something that he didn't keep a secret and was greatly demonstrated in the manner in which he treated others.

On November 27, 1974, he was united in holy matrimony to his childhood sweetheart and love of his life Mildred Andrews, nee Ballard. This union was blessed with two beautiful daughters. Ed and Mildred remained married until the time of his death.

Ed was always a hard worker. At the young age of 17 he relocated from Macon, MS to Chicago, IL where he found employment at the Inland Steel Mill. After working there for a brief time, he decided to pursue a different career path and began to work for United Parcel Service (UPS) where he often received awards and accolades for safe driving. Ed remained at UPS until taking an early retirement at the age of 52 years old. But retirement for Ed didn't hold the same meaning as retirement for others. Ed used his retirement to build his personal businesses. He held ownership in several businesses including C&E Car Wash and Restaurant, Just Jam Hair Salon, Just Jam Fashions, G&G Trucking Inc., and GiGi Willikers Hoagies and Wings. In addition, Ed developed a love for fixing things and utilized that love when fixing properties for himself and for others. His number was on the speed dial of many people when it came time to fix things in their homes. Ed was a special person with a vast amount of wisdom which he didn't mind sharing with others. Because of this and as a result of his generous spirit and pleasant personality, he was loved by many. His influence will forever remain in the lives of all who know him. Ed departed this life Sunday, July 30, 2023 at Community Hospital in Munster, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his mother Katie and father L.G., his brothers James, Wallace, John and Robert, and his sister Bessie.

His beautiful life will forever be cherished in the lives of his children: Gia Davis and Greta Gearing, his grandchildren Raashod Fenner, Mark Gearing, Ashlynn Davis, Timari Gearing, and Aiden Davis. His great-grandchildren Mya, Jayden, Legend and Joi. His siblings Otis (Rubie) Andrews, Willie (Michelle) Andrews, L.G. Andrews Jr., Ruthie Robinson, Ruby Morris, Cleola Carter, Laura Scott, and Geraldine (Wade) Gordon. His sisters-in-law Mattie Ballard, Charlotte Ballard, Jo Ballard and a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Saturday, August 12, 2023
In The Upper Room Ministries
Street Address: 17601 Wentworth Ave
Lansing, IL 60438

Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	
Processional	Pastor and Family
Scripture	Bishop William Catlett
Prayer	Bishop William Catlett
Words Of Welcome / Poem	Lillie Robinson
Song Selection	
Acknowledgments, Cards, & Resolutions	Lillie Robinson
Obituary Reading	James Morris, Jr.
Remarks (2 Minutes Please)	Friends and Family
Eulogy	Pastor Lucian Jackson
Benediction	Pastor Lucian Jackson
Song Selection	
Recessional	



Memories and Reflections of a Wonderful Family Man

A letter to the love of my life...My wonderful husband.

I've loved you most of my life and I will never stop loving you. Thank you for 49 years of marriage. Thank you for protecting and providing for me. Nothing can heal the sorrow of your leaving but you've left me in good hands with our children and grandchildren that are all products of you. So you can rest knowing that I'll be alright

All my love to you...until we meet again

My Daddy....My Twin....My First Hero....My Superman.....A Great Man. Although you're no longer here in the physical....Your teachings are embedded in me. I'll miss your encouragement, our talks, you helping me with all my home improvement projects, and all your crazy sayings. Through my tears I am still able to see the blessing of being able to call you MY DADDY.

Your legacy will continue.

Job Well Done!!....Thank you

Greta

Our Papa was a man who had smiles to brighten your days,
who always made you feel good with his warm words of praise.

And what's more he knew
what to do to make wishes come true.
He was our Papa

Our Papa was someone who always had good stories to tell,

but just as importantly he knew how to be a good listener as well.

He was patient and kind
and the very best friend you could ever hope to find.
He was no ordinary man.

And we're proud to tell the world that
Edward Andrews
Was our Grandfather.

To My Superhero, My Daddy

Although the pain of losing you is like no other, I thank you for the 48 years that you gave me. I wish I could have gotten another 48 but God saw differently so I will eventually find peace in His decision. You did prepare me to live this life without you and I can, but the thing is I really don't want to. You were my first love. You still are my person and the thought of making decisions and moves in my life without you being a part of my process is almost too much to bear. But don't worry, with time I will be okay, and I won't let my emotions of missing you keep me from completing the work that you and I started together. So, rest well Daddy. You can finally hang up your Superman cape. This isn't goodbye, it's just a pause until we meet again. I love you to the moon, the stars and back again.

Gia

Not How Did He Die, But How Did He Live?

Not how did he die, but how did he live?
Not what did he gain, but what did he give?

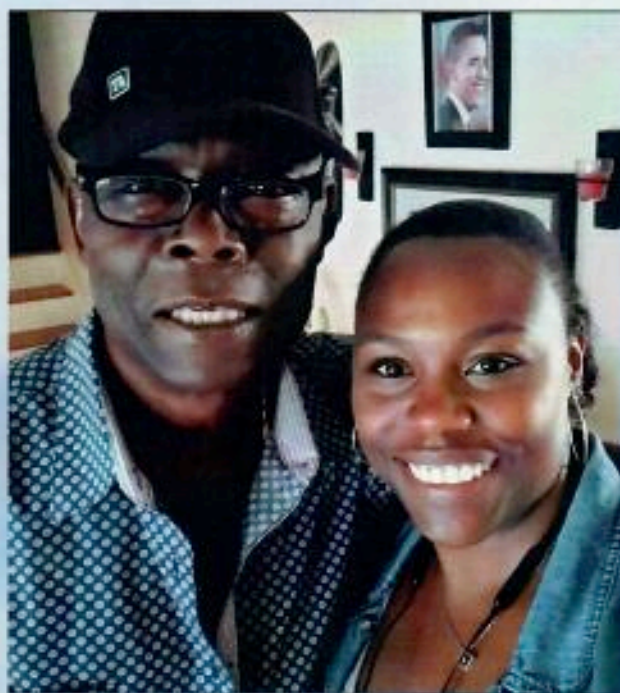
These are the units to measure the worth
Of a man as a man, regardless of birth.

Not, what was his church, nor what was his creed?
But had he befriended those really in need?

Was he ever ready, with word of good cheer,
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?

Not what did the sketch in the newspaper say,
But how many were sorry when he passed away.

Author Unknown







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Pallbearers

Aiden Davis
Timari Gearing
Mark Gearing

Raashod E. Fenner
Isaiah Johnson
James Morris, Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Otis Andrews

Willie Andrews



Acknowledgments

The family of Edward Andrews would like to express their sincere and heartfelt gratitude to those who have come to celebrate Ed's Homegoing Celebration. All expressions of concern whether by phone, card, visit or other forms of support and encouragement is greatly appreciated.

Interment

Mount Glenwood Cemetary
18301 S Glenwood Thornton Rd
Glenwood, IL 60425

Repast

Celebration Of Life at Hollandale Park
110 E. 164th St
South Holland, IL 60473

Service Entrusted To:
Nabors Family Funeral Home
470 W 172nd St, Thornton, IL 60476