



Eric L. McIntyre

June 17, 1978 - April 19, 2024

Eric L. McIntyre was born Saturday June 17, 1978, the only child from the union of Boyd D. McIntyre and Mary Catherine Millet McIntyre. He was born at South Chicago Community Hospital in Chicago, IL. Eric faced and overcame many obstacles in life at a very early age including spinal meningitis, severe asthma, chronic pneumonia, semi-club foot requiring him to wear braces on his feet, and corrective shoes, all in the first year of his life. He showed this same determination when facing the many obstacles that laid ahead later in his life as well. Eric accepted Christ at an early age under the leadership of Bishop Vesta L. Dixon of Evening Star MB Church in Chicago, IL.

In his early years, Eric displayed his exceptional intelligence. He was an honor roll student who skipped multiple grades. He was artistically inclined and shared his gift of words through his autobiography at the age of 14. These accomplishments earned him a scholarship to St. Hales Franciscan High School, a prestigious all-male college preparatory school. Eric had a magnetic personality and an infectious spirit that shined through in everything he did.

As a teenager, Eric moved to a historically black community in Wisconsin called Lake Ivanhoe, to live with his great-grandmother, Mrs. Ella Eva Pious, who preceded him in death. Lake Ivanhoe soon became his home, where he made many lifelong friends and impacted the lives of many. He was a graduate of Badger High School in Lake Geneva, WI. Eric was well-known

and beloved for his undeniable charisma, sense of humor and quick wit. Eric was not just the life of the party, he was the party. He always took pride in ensuring that a good time was had by all. It brought him much joy to improve anyone's situation. His greatest sources of joy and pride were his 2 beautiful children, Caitlin and Ty Anthony. They were his greatest accomplishments.

Eric battled many demons in this life, which ultimately landed him in prison. Eric was not ashamed of his incarceration, because he used his time as "a guest of the State of Wisconsin" to cultivate an unshakable faith and solidify a closer relationship with God. This caused Eric to answer the call to ministry and earn his Doctorate of Divinity degree. Despite his circumstances, he did remarkable things. He co-created and co-founded The Pen Project, a magazine devoted to being a voice to at-risk youth and the incarcerated. Amongst the poetry and inspirational messages featured in this publication was his heartfelt tribute to his daughter titled Dear Daughter. He also showcased his passion for music, playing bass guitar with the Five Thirteen Free band and composing a full album. One of his best kept secrets was a song he released that is still available on a streaming platform today.

Eric moved to Marshfield, WI in September of 2023 to work for a Christian-based company. Though his time in Marshfield was short, his impact on the community was profound. He found a church home and family at Faith Fellowship, where he participated in men's conferences, bible studies, and fellowship classes. He often participated in local men's ministry groups involving members of Bluff View Church and other local churches. Eric used his life story, testimonies and biblical wisdom to encourage and mentor people of any age.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Dennis "Daddy" R. Millet, Sr., Constance Rose Millet and Julia Parker, his great-grandparents, Ella Eva

Pious, Percy Lasley, Mary Eugenia Rivers, Kermit Millet, Sr., and a very special mother figure, Mrs. Willie Lee Perry.

He leaves to cherish his memory his parents, Mary C. McIntyre and Boyd D. McIntyre, his "sisters" Lynne McIntyre, Denise Millet and Vanessa Hicks (Rashad), his children, Caitlin and Ty Anthony, his better half, ChaKuan and a host of relatives and friends. He touched the lives of so many. His legacy will live on forever through his love for his family, friends, his music and his poetry.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 4. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home - Legacy Center
7046 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Funeral Service

MAY 4. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Live Webcast

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Virtual Guests please log on to www.calahanfuneralhome.live

Burial/Interment

MAY 4. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Lincoln Cemetery
12300 South Kedzie Avenue
Blue Island, IL 60406

Tribute Wall



“ 😞 *..No words can express..*



Andrea Casias - September 02, 2024 at 05:06 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Kathy King - May 04, 2024 at 09:34 AM

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special times

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PF

“ *Piantino- Hendricks Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Eric L. McIntyre.*



Piantino- Hendricks Family - May 02, 2024 at 07:50 AM

CA

“ I was actually lucky enough to date eric in highscool for awhile and I frequently hung out with him in Lake Ivanhoe I have so many great memories of you eric you were one of my bestfriends throughout the years even my kids loved you and i loved yours. I was heartbroken when I heard the news of losing you eric. It hurt so bad especially because you just invited me to Marshfield and then this happened before I could go there. Eric I miss your infectious smile and laugh. Eric always had you laughing. My sincerest condolences and prayers go out to the family for your loss. I wish I could come Eric you know I would but I cant drive in Illinois legally right now. Rest In Paradise Sweet Eric.

Charli Atkins - May 01, 2024 at 01:04 AM

SM

“ Forever thinking of your family and friends. I've known you since I was 16 years old. This is hard to believe it's reality. Eric mat you rest in paradise and be free now!
Your Friend Sarah

Sarah Mcdade - April 29, 2024 at 01:42 PM

TR

“ I am so sorry. I wish I did go. You know this. I love you so much.
Rest up my brother.

Tracy - April 27, 2024 at 08:45 PM

TI

“ The Harris family in Lake Ivanhoe purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Eric L. McIntyre.



The Harris family in Lake Ivanhoe - April 23, 2024 at 07:11 PM