

The Family Tribute

Mr. John Edward Murdock

*Memory has a beautiful way of keeping our loved ones near,
Ever close in our hearts and minds are the ones we hold most dear.*

Mr. John Edward Murdock, affectionately called, "Hot Rod", was born in Iredell County on February 25, 1959, and was the son of the late John Edward Alexander and Betty Jane Murdock. He passed away on Sunday, April 24, 2022, at Atrium Hospital in Charlotte, NC.

Following graduation, John worked as a cook in the restaurant industry. John loved his family and will truly be missed.

He leaves to cherish the memory of his life, two daughters, Sparkle Harris and Syria Blackwell; three sons, Maurice Murdock, Ajanaku Murdock, and Lamerick Blackwell; one brother, Curtis (Loretta) Alexander; one sister, Teresa (Johnny) Jones; two uncles, Nate (Lillie) Murdock and Eddie Burch; one aunt, Cynthia Holmes; three foster sisters, Pamela Anderson, Renae Polk, and Beverly Pickens; one foster brother, Tony Hayden; nine grandchildren, Amir Blackwell, Zamera Blackwell, Zariah Blackwell, Azden Caldwell, Braelen Caldwell, Isnael Damera, Ajaya Blackwell, Dayshia Blackwell, and Jaxson A. Murdock; and a host of cousins, other relatives, and friends.

*It seems so unreal that you are gone
When just the other day
You walked and talked and laughed with us
Then suddenly slipped away.
Your peaceful smile, your joyful laugh
How sweet the memory still
Your parting left an aching void
Only God's love can fill.
Lovingly submitted,
The Family*

The Celebration of Life Service

Friday, April 29, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
Rutledge and Bigham Funeral Home
Statesville, North Carolina
Pastor Jerry Moore, Officiating
Pastor Emanuel Brown, Eulogist

The Visitation

1:00 P.M. UNTIL 2:00 P.M.

The Processional
The Gathering of Family and Friends

The Order of Service

2:00 P.M.

The Invocation
The Opening Selection Pastor Jerry Moore
The Scripture Readings
 Old Testament:
 New Testament:
The Prayer of Comfort
The Remarks: *(Limit two minutes please)*
The Acknowledgments and Commemorative Presentation
 The Funeral Director
The Selection Pastor Jerry Moore
The Eulogy Pastor Emanuel Brown
The Committal
The Recessional Selection

With Our Heartfelt Thanks

...that we through the patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope, (Romans 15) God has given us our church family, neighbors and dear friends, to help us as we go forward. God's Word has been manifested through your many expressions of sympathy and support; we praise God from whom all blessings flow. Thank you for honoring the memory of our beloved Hot Rod and for remembering us during his illness and passing. In our risen Lord, we have peace that passes all understanding. The Family

A Celebration of Life for
Mr. John Edward Murdock



Hot Rod

Sunrise
February 25, 1959

Sunset
April 24, 2022

Professional Services Entrusted To:
**Rutledge and Bigham
Mortuary, Inc.**
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for Mr. Murdock
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