

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION



Eric Alan Dreher

SUNRISE: MARCH 1, 1959 - SUNSET: JULY 16, 2024

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024

VIEWING | 10AM SERVICE | 12PM

**UNION BAPTIST CHURCH OF SWISSVALE
2117 COLLINGWOOD AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA 15218**

Reflections of Life

Eric Alan Dreher, at age 65, departed this life at Presbyterian Hospital to be present with the Lord on July 16, 2024. He was born on March 1, 1959, to the late Duffy L Dreher and Nellie J. Dreher in McKeesport, PA, and was the eighth child of twelve. He was known by his family as “Boo Boo,” a nickname given by his grandmother.

Eric was raised in the Mon Valley area of Pittsburgh. He moved to Cleveland, Ohio, where he attended East High School, then returned to Pittsburgh and graduated from Clairton High School in 1978. Upon graduating, Eric enrolled at Pittsburgh Beauty Academy for Barbers and became a licensed barber. He mastered his craft, worked in a barber shop, and provided in-home styling services as a traveling barber. Later, Eric’s career path led him to employment with Kaufmanns Department Store and Graffam floors.

Eric was united in marriage on January 5, 1991, to the love of his life, Gale Chambers Dreher. From this union, they were blessed with a son, Kameron Dreher.

Eric was dedicated to serving and committed his life to Christ on June 7, 2000. He was baptized at the Union Baptist Church of Swissvale under the pastorate of the late Reverend Maurice Doss.

Eric loved engaging in many activities, such as fishing, shooting pool, playing cards, buying scratch-off lottery tickets, and spending time with his family. He had a close bond with his baby sister, whom he would see daily. He was a master of taking Port Authority transportation anywhere in Pittsburgh and the surrounding area. If you wanted to know which bus to take and it’s schedule, you could look to Eric for the answer.

Eric will be missed and remembered for the many things he’s done for his family, friends, and his community. He was someone you could rely on, an impeccable landscaper, painter, barber, residential cleaner, a jack of all trades. His favorite saying was, “Yeah, boy!”.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Duffy and Nellie Dreher, and siblings, Duffy Dreher, Jr, Patricia Dreher, and Gregg Hopkins.

Eric leaves to cherish his memory wife Gale Chambers-Dreher, son Kameron Dreher, siblings Dennis Dreher (Ethel), Theresa Dreher, Loretta Osborne, Althea Dreher, Geraldine Dreher, Timothy Dreher (Shawnda), Kevin Dreher (Tina), Nellie Nicholson, and Harrison Dreher, godchildren Shantelle Stotts and Janell Nicholson, along with a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Service of Triumph

Officiating: Reverend Jacquelyn Lewis | Minister Les Scales, Senior Pastor

Musical Prelude.....Min. Charles Sledge
Director of Worship

Processional.....Clergy, Family & Friends

Musical Selection.....Maria Atkinson
“The Lord’s Prayer”

Scripture Readings.....Rev. Andrew Amoh
Old Testament.....Psalm 46: 1-7
New Testament.....John 14:1-3

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Andrew Amoh

Musical Selection.....David Mise
“My Soul has been Anchored in the Lord”

Poem.....Nellie Nicholson

Acknowledgements of Cards, Condolences & Obituray.....Danel Payne
Church Administrator

Musical Selection.....Maria Atkinson
Shana Mason - Pianist

Message of Hope.....Minister Ella Scales

Recessional.....Voices of Union
Clergy, Family and Friends

Pallbearers

KEVIN DREHER VINCENT STOTTS
HARRISON DREHER CHARLES TORAN
ERIC HUNTER PETE WEBB

Honorary Pallbearer TIMOTHY DREHER

Interment

Homewood Cemetery | Pittsburgh, PA 15208

Acknowledgments

The family of Eric A. Dreher wishes to express their deepest gratitude and appreciation to everyone who made this difficult time a little easier to bear. Thank you for your sincere expressions of sympathy, words of encouragement, prayers, kindness, and support.

Dinner will be served in the church fellowship hall immediately following the interment.

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