



Mr. Leroy Etheridge

July 16, 1944 - April 3, 2022

Leroy Etheridge, born July 16, 1944, on a train (yes, a train) coming from New York, NY to Columbia, SC to the late George Etheridge and Sarah (Goodwin) Etheridge, Leroy was the youngest child born to this union.

Leroy went home to be with the Lord on April 3, 2022.

Sister Ertha Lee Hampton, and wife Yolanda (Emerson) Etheridge preceded him in death.

Leroy loved the Lord and was raised in a loving Christian home. He was rededicated and Baptized at United Christian Church Disciples of Christ – Detroit, MI in 1980.

Educated in the Richmond County School District, Leroy excelled in culinary arts.

He worked in many different fields throughout his life, such as, warehouse, foundry, hospital food services at Sinai Hospital, Michigan Osteopathic Hospital, Director of food services at the Detroit Rescue Mission, Maintenance Engineer at Henry Ford Hospital, Lawrence Tech University, and even Steve's Soul Food.

He was the founder of what may have been Detroit's first food truck fashioned from a converted school bus. Etheridge floor care service, Etheridge photography, Etheridge Videography, Etheridge Catering, and he even sold refurbished computers as some of his many business endeavors. If there was a dollar to be made Leroy would find it.

Leroy also had a heart for Mission. He would do weekly food distributions via

Focus: HOPE, and Kroger's to those in need. Unbeknownst to many Leroy became ordained as a Minister through the Universal Life Church with the hope of starting his own food-based mission.

Leroy loved deeply. To his first marriage to Ophelia Edmonds were born Donavia Etheridge, and Bridget Petty.

His second marriage was to Yolanda Emerson. To this union were born Elliott and Robert Etheridge. His third marriage to Brenda Wilson of which they recently celebrated 41 years produced George and Isaac Etheridge.

He was a good provider, loving father, and loyal friend.

He leaves to celebrate his life his wife Reverend Brenda Etheridge, sons Donavia – South Carolina, Elliott (Laverne) - Texas, Robert (Sonya) - Ontario, Canada, George (Samara) - Michigan, and Isaac (Sydney) - Michigan, one daughter Bridget-Petty – South Carolina, two brothers William “Jimmy” Etheridge and Charles Etheridge – South Carolina, grand children Darnique, Harold, Elliott, Jr., Ashley, Anthony, Yolanda, Paul, Shanadia, Gabriel, Robyn, Remii-Yolanda, and Jacob, six great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, in-laws, members of Unity Christian Church (where he served as First Gentleman for the past 12 years), members of United Christian Churches Disciples of Christ, and special friends, Penny Bailey, Barbara Goode, Mattie Allen, and Edward Rucker.

Previous Events

Live Stream

Tuesday, Apr. **12**. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.

YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtiS16ETKLnG1Cdtl088o8Q>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Leroy Etheridge*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Our Condolences on your loss Mrs. Etheridge, may Mr. Etheridge rest in heavenly peace. You are in our thoughts, hearts and mind. God Bless.*



Mrs. Desiree' L. Dismuke - April 12, 2022 at 12:32 PM



“ *To the Etheridge family God is good all the time good.mr Leroy has gifted hands as well as a gifted heart and smile go with it.leroy u be my gumbo man 🙏❤️r.i.p mr cee 🍷*

Herman mr cee carrington - April 11, 2022 at 07:40 PM



“ *George--I am so sorry for your loss. Let the memories provide you the strength as you lay him to rest. Colleen Flaherty*

Colleen Flaherty - April 11, 2022 at 03:32 PM



“ *Steve of Unity purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr. Leroy Etheridge.*



Steve of Unity - April 10, 2022 at 06:22 PM

BC

“ Sorry to hear Leroy has passed. My prayers for comfort for Pastor Brenda and the family. I always enjoyed visiting with Leroy he was always so welcoming. He is home with the Lord and is at peace.
Love, Betty Carb

Betty Carb - April 10, 2022 at 11:07 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Leroy Etheridge.



April 09, 2022 at 12:51 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Leroy Etheridge.



April 08, 2022 at 07:17 PM

YF

“ Your Home Depot Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Leroy Etheridge.



Your Home Depot Family - April 08, 2022 at 01:44 PM

TL

“ My hugs, love and prayers are with all of you. Leroy was such a loving man and will be missed. We were truly blessed to have him in church on Sunday to love and hug on him. He always cared so much for each person in our congregation and our congregation as a whole. Love you all.

Theresa LeFavour - April 08, 2022 at 09:09 AM

NF

“ Nina Fowler lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leroy Etheridge



Nina Fowler - April 07, 2022 at 09:26 PM

LH

“ Will so miss the chuckle and smiles of Leroy--so happy that I was able to laugh with him on Sunday, he asked about my Bella (doggie). He truly was an great First Gentleman for our Unity Christian Church congregation and we will all hold so very many fond memories!! Linda Holloway

linda holloway - April 07, 2022 at 12:40 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Leroy Etheridge.



April 07, 2022 at 09:11 AM



“ *Rev Brenda & family - my prayers are with you all. His smile and infectious laugh will be missed. God bless you! ~Inetta*

Inetta - April 06, 2022 at 07:52 AM