



Anthony Keith Staples

June 26, 1964 - January 19, 2024

Anthony Keith Staples, also known as “Tone” or “Tony”, was born on June 26, 1964 in Manhattan, NY. His parents are Arlene Ella Staples, the late Jake Pheonix. He was an only child, but had a half-brother, Derrick Brown, and many brothers and sisters through the friendships he developed throughout the years. He is survived by his wife of 35 years Lisa McGreer-Staples, and his daughters Sherise Staples, Chantal Staples-O’Silas (Joshua), Jordan Staples, and Imani Staples. He is also survived by his in-laws Napoleon and Lula McGreer who loved him like a son, a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and friends to celebrate his transition.

As a child, Tony was always considered special. He was inquisitive, and his mother knew he was destined to do great things. This lead him to be selected to attend the elite Brooklyn Technical High School. After high school, Tony pursued a degree in Information Systems at New York University.

He met Lisa in 1985, and it was a whirlwind of romance and courtship and then they married in 1989.

Genius is one of the words you could use to describe him – he had such an innovative mindset. He was a loving, supportive father and proud of his children and their accomplishments. He also was very people-oriented and had the ability to shine a positive light on everyone he met. Talk to any of his

friends, and they could share stories of how Tony inspired or encouraged them in some way. He always made himself available to give advice and share perspective.

He loved travel. He has visited Israel, Japan, Brazil, Peru, Mexico, Jamaica, and many other places.

He loved his music too, and was gifted in music composition. He made beats, and his DJ name was Center Stage.

You could find him watching and analyzing sports on any given Monday or holiday. His cheers and shouts would boom throughout the house on game day!

Tony loved God, and while he was not perfect his heart was always in the right place. We celebrate because we know he is with his Savior. So today we honor, respect, and remember a good man who touched and enriched our lives in many ways. Let's take a moment to shift our thoughts from how much we're going to miss him to one of the many joyful and happy times that we shared with him –and there were many. So relive it, enjoy it, and smile.

Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held SATURDAY, January 27, 2024 at 1:00PM at our Gwinnett Chapel.

Celebration of Life Services for Anthony Staples will be held on Saturday, January 27, 2024 at 1:00 PM. These services will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

<https://vimeo.com/event/4036380>

Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, 914 Scenic Hwy., Lawrenceville, GA 30045 (Gwinnett Chapel), 770.338.5558

Tribute Wall



“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Anthony Keith Staples*



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - January 22, 2024 at 03:54 PM



“ *I just received the news of my friend Anthony Staples death. Tony was one of the most gifted young man I ever worked with during my years in the Technology field. We met while working for E.F. Hutton in computer dept in 1980s. Very social individual and liked by all. My condolences to his family. Rip “Tone” .*

Phillip Davis - May 04, 2024 at 07:18 AM



“ *I will always remember Mr. Tony with fondness, he was a loving man with a great heart. I have memories of smiling and laughing with him and he taught me so much.*

Ms. Lisa my mom sends all her love and condolences ☐

Candace and Celeste

Candace McCullough - January 27, 2024 at 01:24 PM

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Thank you both so much

Chantal Staples - January 29, 2024 at 06:15 PM

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Chantal Staples - January 29, 2024 at 06:15 PM

YF

“ *Your ERIE and EAAN Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anthony Keith Staples.*



Your ERIE and EAAN Family - January 26, 2024 at 09:08 AM

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“ *The ERIE African American Affinity Network sends its condolences to the family of Anthony Keith Staples. Words are difficult to express during a time like this, but we wanted to let Chantal know that her EAAN family is with her during this time. Hold fast to the many great memories you shared with your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Sincerely,

*The EAAN Leadership Team
Chris Conley and Lyn Twillie-Darby, Co-Chair*



Lyn Twillie-Darby - January 26, 2024 at 07:47 AM



Chantal, thinking of you and your family at this very difficult time. With love, Mary Dollard

Mary Dollard - January 26, 2024 at 09:22 AM

CS

Thank you so much family ❤️

Chantal Staples - January 29, 2024 at 06:10 PM

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“ I am soo soo sorry for your loss my condolences I will keep praying for you.guys

Heather Nicole hunter - January 26, 2024 at 02:20 AM

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Thank you Heather!

Chantal Staples - January 29, 2024 at 06:15 PM

DY

“ Denise Rose Young planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony Keith Staples.

Denise Rose Young - January 25, 2024 at 06:24 PM

CM

“ Candace M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony Keith Staples.

Candace M. - January 25, 2024 at 12:34 PM

DY

“ Don Yancey lit a candle in memory of Anthony Keith Staples



Don Yancey - January 25, 2024 at 08:55 AM

DY

To a truly wonderful friend who will never be forgotten; it was wonderful knowing you and all the good times we shared together; till we meet again

Don Yancey - January 25, 2024 at 08:59 AM

HN

“ Heather N. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony Keith Staples.

Heather N. - January 24, 2024 at 07:04 PM

EF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May God comfort you through his word the Bible and the gift of prayer. Thinking of you all.

Evans family - January 21, 2024 at 10:35 AM

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Love you family ❤️

Chantal Staples - January 29, 2024 at 06:15 PM

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“ The Lord said, "Put My yoke upon your shoulders—it might appear heavy at first, but it is perfectly fitted to your curves. Learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. When you are yoked to Me, your weary souls will find rest." Matthew 11:29 Voice Version.
My beloved friend has found rest in the Lord.
Family be encouraged by the Love he shared and embraced you with. There was only one and he was enough for us all. Thank you God for sending Anthony Keith this way. Thank you God for keeping the family and friends during this time of sorrow and celebration.
And thank you God for knowing just how much we can bear.

Susan - January 19, 2024 at 10:58 PM

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Amen ❤️ thank you Susan

Chantal Staples - January 29, 2024 at 06:16 PM