



## Chef Darryl E. Evans

November 24, 1961 - February 26, 2014

Stone Mountain, GA.

Chef Darryl E. Evans, 52, of Stone Mountain, GA. formerly from Columbus, GA, passed Wednesday, February 26, 2014 in Atlanta, GA. The celebration of his home-going will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of New Birth Missionary Baptist Church, 6400 Woodrow Road, Lithonia, GA. with Bishop Eddie L. Long, officiating. The repast will be held immediately following the service at New Birth. Interment will take place on Sunday, March 9, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at Green Acres Cemetery in Columbus, GA.

Visitation and viewing will be held on Friday, March 7, 2014, from 12:00 noon – 8:00 p.m. at Gregory B. Levett and Sons Funeral Home, 914 Scenic Hwy, Lawrenceville, GA 30045.

Chef Evans was a graduate of Carver High School Class of 1979. A graduate of the American Culinary Federation (AFC) apprenticeship program at Georgia State University in 1986, he is a three-time recipient of the AFCs Chef of the Year award. He was the first African American to participate in the International Culinary Olympics, Frankfurt, Germany where he won three gold medals and one silver medal in 1988 and 1992. He was an extremely accomplished chef who mentored and trained generations of culinarians throughout his career. He won numerous awards and served as visiting Chef

for functions held by the United States Congress and various State Governments. He was named Chef and Culinarian of the Year, Greater Atlanta Chef's Association, 1991, 1993 and 1996. Numerous national and local publications have featured articles on Chef Evans over the years. He achieved national profile and was lauded as one of the very few executive chefs of color in a hospitality industry that is dominated by white males.

Chef Evans' interest outside the culinary world included an avid interest in gardening. He also gave back to the community by participating in national and charitable organizations, such as The Culinary Masters, Prince Edward Island, Taste of the Nations (a nationwide organization to feed the homeless), Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, the World Cooks Tour for Hunger (Johannesburg, South Africa in 1993) and Chaine des Rotisseurs.

He was last employed as an Executive Chef at the City Club of Buckhead in Atlanta GA. He was a faithful member of the New Birth Missionary Baptist Church where he served as the Chef for the church for numerous years.

Chef Evans is survived by his devoted and loving wife Deborah, two sons Brandon (Hilary) Wheelless of Fort Benning, GA, Branford-Michael Evans of Stone Mountain, GA, his parents Edward L. and Violet Averett Evans of Columbus, GA, a God-granddaughter, Emani Lockett "Evans", one brother Anthony (Deborah) Evans of Fayetteville, GA, one niece, Christina Rae Evans and a host of relatives and friends. Chef Evans was predeceased by his brother Ray Garcia Evans.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 7. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gwinnett Chapel  
914 Scenic Hwy.  
Lawrenceville, GA 30045  
(770) 338-5558  
info@levettfuneralhome.com

## Service

MAR 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

New Birth Missionary Baptist Church  
6400 Woodrow Rd  
Lithonia, GA

## Interment

MAR 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

Green Acres Cemetery  
Columbus, GA

# Tribute Wall

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“ Miss you big brother 🙏🙏🙏

Timothy Dean - September 30, 2021 at 07:16 PM

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“ Tom Catherall purchased the Divine Light for the family of Chef Darryl E. Evans.



Tom Catherall - March 08, 2014 at 09:58 AM

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“ The Evans Family, Please accept my condolences for the loss of Chef Darryl. He will be missed by all that knew and loved him. The scriptures were of comfort to me when I lost my dad , I pray they will be for you. John chapter 11

Mrs. Ted Williams - March 08, 2014 at 08:18 AM

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“ To the Family and fellow Culinarians of Chef Darryl, its with my deepest heart felt sympathy to you in this time of sadness and lost.

*I meet Darryl more than 25 years ago at an ACF Chefs Meeting and we offend competed for metals together. However myself and others who tried to competed with Chef D quickly found out that we were no match for Chef Darryl God given Culinary Talent.*

*One year I asked Chef Darryl if he knew someone that bakes wedding cakes, he smiled and said I make wedding cakes. It was one the best cakes I've ever seen.*

*Bon Appetite My Brother Rest in Peace !*

*Chef Don Stone*



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**Don** - March 06, 2014 at 06:39 PM

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“ To the Family and Friends of Chef Evans: I'm sorry that your loved one fell asleep in death. I offer condolences and Scriptural encouragement to you all. Remember... "God sent his only-begotten Son into the world so that we might gain life through him." (1 John 4:9). Jesus confirmed his role in God's loving provision to raise up ones who have fallen asleep in death when he said: "I am the resurrection and the life. The one exercising faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life." (John 11:25). God is faithful and always keeps his promises! "Draw close to God (in prayer) and he will draw close to you." (James 4:8)



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**Beulah Parks** - March 06, 2014 at 09:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Chef Darryl E. Evans.*



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March 05, 2014 at 09:42 AM