



## Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan

June 4, 1979 - February 27, 2026

Derrick Lamar Morgan, age 46, was born on June 4, 1979, in Albany, New York, and called home on February 27, 2026. He spent much of his life living in many boroughs throughout New York. Also resided in Hartford Connecticut and Durham North Carolina, before relocating to Lawrenceville, Georgia, where he continued to grow personally and professionally, leaving a lasting impression on everyone he encountered.

Derrick discovered his love for cooking at a young age and pursued his passion with unwavering commitment, beginning his culinary journey in his teens. During his studies at the Institute of Culinary Education in New York, he completed internships serving the cast of Sesame Street and The Cosby Show. He built a remarkable 30-year career as an executive chef, working in numerous kitchens throughout the years. His professional journey included serving at ABC News in New York; Yeshiva University in New York; and Courtyard by Marriott in Duluth, Georgia. Each kitchen he entered was shaped by his creativity, leadership, and rare ability to elevate simple ingredients into memorable experiences.

Above all, Derrick treasured his role as a father to his 13-year-old daughter, Kristen, who was the light of his life. He accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and worked to allow the Lord to guide him through life's struggles. Derrick's warmth, laughter, and love for family, food, and community will be remembered by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his father, Herman Arrington and his

grandmother Amanda Morgan. He is survived by his loving mother, Rosette Noyan (Thomas), his cherished daughter, Kristen, (Queens New York), his brothers, Arthur and David (Lawrenceville Georgia), his sister, Andrea (Edwin) (Queens New York), and his devoted fiancée, Shavora Mona Williams (Lawrenceville Georgia), extended siblings; Little Luke, Daisy, James, Cassandra, and Kenneth (Albany, New York); and Erstella (Charlotte North Carolina), and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends who will forever hold him in their hearts.

Our beloved Derrick has entered eternal rest and is now in the presence of the Lord. His love and legacy will live on in our hearts until we meet again. Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan, 46, of Lawrenceville, GA passed on Friday, February 27, 2026. Celebration of Life Services will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2026 at 3:00 PM at New Jerusalem Baptist Church, 422 E. Crogan St., Lawrenceville, GA 30046. Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, Gwinnett Chapel, 914 Scenic Hwy Lawrenceville, GA 30045. 770-338-5558.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 14. 3:00 PM (ET)

New Jerusalem Baptist Church  
422 E. Crogan  
Lawrenceville, GA 30046  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Rest in heaven my twin my Gemini twin cousin, until we meet again .. keep watching over us love you cousin Derrick fly high 🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️



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**Enjoli Sessions** - March 14 at 11:16 AM

MJ

“ Sending my sincerest condolences and prayers to the family. Praying that the Lord will comfort and strengthen you during this time of deep heartache.  
Much love,  
Margaret Jackson



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**Margaret Ann Jackson** - March 10 at 04:12 PM

YF

“ Your Connecticut Family purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan.



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**Your Connecticut Family** - March 09 at 06:10 PM

DB

“ *The memory of you will live on in me and my family because I could never stop telling everyone what a beautiful mother you have and what a great man you became I watched you from a little boy you always showed my son love and I will always always be there for your mother and your family. I love you forever and ever*



Davetta Baskerville - March 09 at 10:04 AM

GM

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Derrick touched so many lives and his memory will continue to shine in your heart and those memories, in time, will bring you comfort. I'm praying that God will give you strength and peace in this challenging time. Love you all! Johnny & Gretchen*

Gretchen Middleton - March 08 at 08:51 PM

JM

“ *Johnny & Gretchen Middleton purchased the Flo or Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan.*



Johnny & Gretchen Middleton - March 08 at 08:30 PM

JM

“ *Johnny & Gretchen Middleton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan.*

Johnny & Gretchen Middleton - March 08 at 08:30 PM

MC

“ *Derrick will truly be missed. We want you to know we are praying for you all through these very said and difficult times. We send our deepest and sincere condolences to you all. The Cheney, Frazier, and Thomas families are here if you need anything.*



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**Marc and Maryann Cheney** - March 08 at 07:28 PM

DJ

“ *I will cherish all the memories we had in Queens like when you use to experiment your food ideas with us 😂, It was actually good, you will be truly be missed. 🌸*

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**Danisha Jenkins** - March 07 at 08:09 PM

GH

“ *1 file added to the album Derrick Love*



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**Gerard Holt** - March 07 at 05:27 PM

GH

“ *Rose and Andrea, my heart is broken and I am so sorry for your loss. I loved Derrick and I will miss him as he will be sorely missed by all his family. I'm praying that God will give you all strength and comfort in this difficult time. I love you all very much. Unc G.*

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**Gerard Holt** - March 07 at 05:13 PM

UB

“ Un G and Uncle Barry purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan.



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**Un G and Uncle Barry** - March 07 at 05:03 PM

EB

“ I never met Derrick but I am good friends with his mom and 2 brothers Arthur & David, I just met Andrea, but may Derrick rest in power 🙏

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**Erica Brown** - March 07 at 02:16 PM

CM

“ Derrick was more than a coworker to us at the Courtyard by Marriott —he was a light in the room. Through the meals he prepared and the laughter he shared so freely, he touched the lives of everyone around him. Derrick had a way of bringing people together, whether through his food or his joyful spirit. His presence made our workplace warmer, and his kindness made our days better. He will be deeply missed, but the impact he made on all of us will never be forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during this difficult time. 🙏🕊

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**carolice Morgan** - March 07 at 01:09 PM

AJ

“ Alice J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan.

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**Alice J.** - March 07 at 09:00 AM



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mr. Derrick Lamar Morgan.



March 06 at 08:10 PM



“ This hurts my heart I can't believe I'm writing this Derrick you are a good man and person You are an amazing friend son father and brother. If I could have told you one last time thank you for being a great person to me I would tell you over and over again Mr d lol I will cherish our memories forever thank you may you rest in peace Derrick you will be truly missed not just from me but all of the family



**Kaitlin** - March 06 at 02:56 AM



Thank you for your prayers and encouragement 🙏

**Rosette Noyan** - March 06 at 11:52 AM



Your so welcome mama this is Kaitlin I don't know if Derrick ever told you about me but if you could please reach out to me at 770 468 8535 thank you

**Kaitlin** - March 06 at 12:35 PM

MR

“ I was deeply saddened to hear about Derrick’s passing. He was such a kind and caring person, always full full of laughter and jokes. His love for his family and friends was unmistakable. I use to tease that he was a “mamas boy”, because no matter where life took him, he always seemed to find his way back to whichever town his mother was living in. Anytime I visited Georgia, I knew I could count on a wonderful meal and a warm hug. Derrick had a true passion for cooking and took so much joy in watching others enjoy the food he prepared. I believe that when the Lord sees that a flower in His garden is ready; he gently plucks it. While that may bring peace to know, it is still difficult for those of us who remain, holding on to cherished memories. Let us continue running this race called Life with faith and purpose, trusting that one day we will see Derrick again.

Always Love,  
Miranda, Cam, Boot and twins❤️

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**Miranda Reddish** - March 05 at 01:34 PM



“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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**Shuntel Marina** - March 05 at 01:02 PM

RN

Thank you for your prayers 🙏❤️

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**Rosette Noyan** - March 06 at 11:52 AM



“ *My Deepest Condolences  
May God be with you during this difficult time.*



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**Damita Williams** - March 05 at 12:49 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Derrick Love*



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**Rosette Morgan-Noyan** - March 05 at 11:26 AM



“ *Cremation Wreath- Blue and White was  
purchased for the family of Mr. Derrick Lamar  
Morgan.*



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March 05 at 08:08 AM