



## Ernest George Essue

January 2, 1943 - January 3, 2024

### Obituary

Ernest was born and raised in Duckenfield, St. Thomas, Jamaica.

He attended the Golden Grove Primary School and was a member of the Golden Grove Anglican Church. He was married for 55 years and blessed with five children. He worked for the Jamaica Sugar Estate for a few years and moved on to work at The Goodyear JA Ltd.

He loved his family dearly and extended that love to others. He was also very athletic. He played cricket, was a great football (soccer) player, was an avid swimmer, and loved to do deep sea diving. He will always be remembered for his football (soccer) skills and recollection of his encounters below the sea.

He migrated with his family to the Bronx, New York in 1989. He worked a few different jobs until he fell in love with taxi driving. He loved driving and would drive everywhere he was asked. It was after an incident that he reaffirmed his faith and became very knowledgeable about the bible and loved the Lord.

In 2006, he and his family moved to Conyers, Georgia. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He was a uniquely kind and giving man. He was full of knowledge and

shared his advice liberally.

Ernest is survived by his wife, Myrtle; three sons, Neco, Ron, and Teddy, and two daughters, Sardia and Paula (Dionne); a son-in-law, Mark, and a daughter-in-law, Svetlana (Kimmy); eleven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He leaves behind many adopted children and grandchildren.

He is also survived by his siblings, seven brothers, Baldwin, Clement, Lloyd, Bobby, Richard, Peter, and Roger; five sisters, Esmilda, Charlotte, Janet, Angella, and Elam; along with a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews.

Moving to Georgia, he met cousins, Jennifer, Lloyd, and Robert. He also leaves behind a host of friends and loved ones.

Celebration of Life (LIVESTREAMED) will be held on Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in our Chapel. Visitation will held on Saturday, January 13, 2024 from 12 - 1 p.m. Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. ROCKDALE CHAPEL 1999 Hwy 138 SE Conyers, GA 30013 (770)285-6673.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-Rockdale  
1999 Hwy. 138 SE  
Conyers, GA 30013

# Tribute Wall



“ Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Ernest George Essue



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - January 08, 2024 at 03:35 PM

NS

family,

*I know this is among those moments it is never easy to speak the words of consolation perfectly but on behalf of my family to yours, I extend sincere condolences to the immediate and extended households on the loss of your Dad.*

*Know that he was like an uncle as himself, Baldwin & my Dad were best of friends. They were central figures in my life and have made extraordinary impressions even just standing there.*

*He whom you've loved & lost may no longer be where he use to be, but he now goes with you wherever you go.*

*May the soul of the departed "Commanding General" in our Duckenfield army RIP perpetually and the light of God shine on his memories.*

*Blssup,  
Shoultz.*

N. Shoultz. - January 11, 2024 at 08:40 AM

AR

*Sleep in Peace Uncle Ernest. You were like a Father to our family. We slept at our house at nights in lived in your house in the days. We will never forget you. You were loved and will be sorely missed. Little Gella, Bigella and Doreen*

**angela Robinson** - January 13, 2024 at 08:06 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ernest George Essue.*



January 15, 2024 at 07:17 PM

AT

“ *I remember looking forward to cricket and football games, when my cousin Draggy was one of the best players. I also remember him trying to teach me to swim; and days when he took us to school on his way to work at Goodyear, even when we were late, he never left us. He was a compassion, kind and dedicated family man. He may be gone, but he will always be here in our hearts.*

**Angela Thompson-Rodriques** - January 15, 2024 at 07:00 PM

RL

*There are many ways in which I will remember this giant of a man, in size and in his heart. The Gentle giant who no one had to fear because he was fair. He made playing football look like he invented the game; he was a formidable player who knew what to do for all to enjoy. He knew the see at Holland Bay where he would ride his bicycle to get to. What about him playing board game at the roadside university aka Lakran barber shop under the ackee tree. If there was agentleman for young men to admire it was him. He was a class act, a family man who made you feel welcomed. We're saddened by his departure but our memories of him will never be forgotten. Sleep In Eternal Peace Ernest George Essue.*

**Rupert L.Edwards** - January 04, 2025 at 12:56 AM

EE

“ *I miss you dad. The memories are endless and your light will shine eternally. From Neco, your grandchildren Brandon, Brianna, Bethany, Benjamin, Zamiyah, Zahara and your great grandson Le'rois.*



**Eloy Essue** - January 13, 2024 at 04:23 PM

ST

*My prayers are with you all, may he RIP 🙏*

**Sandra Tuitt** - January 15, 2024 at 07:57 AM

CM

“ *Sleep in peace Uncle Ernest. From your niece Candace Morrell.*



**Candace Morrell** - January 13, 2024 at 12:55 PM

SE

*Thank you.*

**Sardia Essue** - January 16, 2024 at 11:57 PM

HH

“ *For the Hope-family --Wesley, Sybil, Hortense, Horace -- Ernest was our Neighbor, school mate, friend, Comic Book and Movie Enthusiast and so much more. All Beautiful Memories! May his Soul Rest in Peace.*

**Hortense Hope** - January 13, 2024 at 12:52 PM

SE

*Thank you.*

Sardia Essue - January 16, 2024 at 11:56 PM

CA

“ Carmette sent a virtual gift in memory of Ernest George Essue



Carmette - January 13, 2024 at 12:27 PM

SE

*Thank you.*

Sardia Essue - January 16, 2024 at 11:57 PM

DB

“ Be comforted in this heartbreaking period. May The LORD JESUS comfort you all and bring you peace today and the days ahead. I remember Draggey as that's the name my dad always address him. Many memories but will relished those memories. REST IN PEACE  
DEONNE

Deonne Bryan(Brown) - January 13, 2024 at 09:54 AM

SE

*Thank you.*

Sardia Essue - January 16, 2024 at 11:56 PM

AE

“ R.i.p.mr ernest



Angela Elliott - January 13, 2024 at 12:27 AM

SE

“ I miss you daddy!! Sleep in eternal peace.

Sardia Essue - January 12, 2024 at 11:27 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ernest George Essue.

January 12, 2024 at 11:20 PM

AB

“ Draggy( Ernest) was always helpful to me in getting to school, he would pick me up in the mornings on his way to work and drop me off by Morant Bay High School..I am very grateful for him and his family..I pray that he may rest in peace

Ainsley Brown - January 12, 2024 at 04:39 PM

SE

Thanks Jiggs!

Sardia Essue - January 12, 2024 at 11:14 PM

GB

“ *Sardia Paula and the rest of the family you have my deepest sympathy. Praying for Gods strength and Peace to get through the difficult times ahead. Always here for you.*  
*Gloria Baggett*

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**Gloria Baggett** - January 12, 2024 at 01:36 PM

SE

*Thanks G*

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**Sardia Essue** - January 16, 2024 at 11:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ernest George Essue.*



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January 12, 2024 at 01:29 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Ernest George Essue.*



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January 12, 2024 at 01:24 PM

AE

“ *Angela Essue planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ernest George Essue.*

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**Angela Essue** - January 12, 2024 at 11:00 AM

NS

“ Family,

*I know this is among those moments it is never easy to speak the words of consolation perfectly but on behalf of my family to yours, I extend sincere condolences to the immediate and extended households on the loss of your Dad.*

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*Blssup,  
Shoultz.*

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**N. Shoultz.** - January 11, 2024 at 10:03 AM

SE

*Thank you Nick!*

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**Sardia Essue** - January 11, 2024 at 12:24 PM

EE

*Thanks Nick.*

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**Eloy Essue** - January 13, 2024 at 04:24 PM

MW

“ *Deepest regrets to Sardia and the entire family at this challenging time. May you all find strength and comfort in cherished memories your beloved patriarch. Kindest regards*  
*Martin*

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**Martin Wilson** - January 10, 2024 at 05:49 PM

SE

*Thanks Martin!*

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**Sardia Essue** - January 11, 2024 at 12:25 PM

SB

“ *Sophia B. planted a <a href="/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518">Memorial Tree</a> in honor of Ernest George Essue.*

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**Sophia B.** - January 09, 2024 at 10:23 PM

EW

“ *Condolences to the Essue's.  
Praying for your strength and comfort at this time.*

*“AS YOU GO THROUGH THIS  
Difficult things can cause us to ask, “Why did this happen?”  
God may never reveal His reasons,  
But He has revealed His character to us.  
He assures us that he is ever-faithful,  
always caring, and will never  
leave us in our time of need.*

*“Do not fear for I am with you;  
Do not be afraid, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you; I will help you;  
I will hold on to you with  
My righteous right hand.”*

*May your heart and Faith  
Rest in the Lord as you  
Go through this difficulty.  
He holds you by the hand  
And will never let you go!*

*From: The Walker's, Jamaica*

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**Evelyn Walker** - January 09, 2024 at 07:38 PM

SB

*Mas Ernest was a moral compass and an exemplary figure . And most importantly, he was a firm believer in God & family.*

*Mas. Ernest , words & tears cannot express my sincere love & respect that I have held for you and your family .*

*Fly home to Zion & stop along the way to the home base in Duckenfield where the Naggos are waiting to welcome you back : son of the soil , born yah!*

*May the soul of our dear departed Ernest Essue -Rest In Peace & Rise In Glory* ❤️🙏🇯🇲

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**Sophia Brown** - January 09, 2024 at 10:47 PM

SE

*Thank you!*

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**Sardia Essue** - January 11, 2024 at 12:25 PM

“ *Safely Home*  
by Anonymous

*I am home in heaven, dear ones;  
All's so happy, all so bright!  
There's perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief are over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder I so calmly  
Trode the Valley of the Shade?  
Oh! but Jesus' love illumined  
Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me  
On that way so hard to tread;  
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,  
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,  
For I love you dearly still;  
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,  
Pray to trust our Father's will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idle stand;  
Do your work while life remaineth —  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you home;  
Oh, the rapture of the meeting!*

*Oh, the joy to see you come!*

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**Evelyn Walker** - January 09, 2024 at 07:28 PM

SE

*Thank you!*

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**Sardia Essue** - January 11, 2024 at 12:26 PM

EW

*You are welcome*

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**Evelyn Walker** - January 11, 2024 at 08:01 PM

EW

“ *HIS JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN*

*By Ellen Brenneman*

*Don't think of him as gone away*

*his journey's just begun,*

*life holds so many facets*

*this earth is only one.*

*Just think of him as resting*

*from the sorrows and the tears*

*in a place of warmth and comfort*

*where there are no days and years.*

*Think how he must be wishing*

*that we could know today*

*how nothing but our sadness*

*can really pass away.*

*And think of him as living*

*in the hearts of those he touched*

*for nothing loved is ever lost*

*and he was loved so much.*

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**Evelyn Walker** - January 09, 2024 at 07:24 PM

SE

*Thank you*

Sardia Essue - January 11, 2024 at 12:26 PM

EW

*You are welcome*

Evelyn Walker - January 11, 2024 at 07:56 PM

MJ

“Michelle, Michael & Jah-maal purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ernest George Essue.



Michelle, Michael & Jah-maal - January 09, 2024 at 05:16 PM

JW

“ERNEST ESSUE(DRAGGY) A LOVING HUSBAND, FATHER AND GRANDFATHER, A FAMILY FRIEND, A MENTOR YOUR MEMORY LIVES ON IN OUR HEARTS. MAY YOUR SOUL REST IN PEACE AND LIGHT PERPETUAL SHINE UPON YOU.

Jossette Webley-Russell - January 09, 2024 at 08:59 AM

SE

*Thanks Jossette!*

Sardia Essue - January 11, 2024 at 12:27 PM



“Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ernest George Essue.



January 08, 2024 at 08:51 PM

CH

“ *Brother Earnest you were an amazing Dad and Grandfather, your memories will never be forgotten*



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**Charlotte** - January 08, 2024 at 07:10 PM

SE

*Thanks Aunty*

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**Sardia Essue** - January 11, 2024 at 12:27 PM

CH

*Life is a Journey, no one knows the hour , the minute, the seconds. Live in love, peace and happiness .God is love , He is our guide and Protector. Rest in peace. Brother Earnest. 🌸 🕯*

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**Charlotte** - January 13, 2024 at 08:39 AM