



## Mr. Norman Jefferson

September 3, 1964 - February 21, 2022

Norman Mitchell Jefferson

Sunrise: September 3, 1964

Sunset: February 21, 2022

Norman Mitchell Jefferson was the third child and second son of Rev. Dr. Frederick Douglass Jefferson and Ruby Jefferson, RN. His nickname on the playground was “Stormin Norman”. Norman weathered many life storms with great faith until the Lord called him home. He passed away peacefully on February 21, 2022. Norman was a graduate of Brighton High School in Brighton, NY, and the Culinary Institute of America (CIA) in Hyde Park, NY. He entered the CIA at age 19, at the time one of the youngest ever admitted to the institute. Cooking was Norman’s passion. He was known for superbly flavored dishes such as lobster bisque, shrimp salad, and cassis sauce. He saved the day with his creations at many functions. He started cooking as a child. He submitted his own recipe for chicken divan for the Council Rock elementary school cookbook. In high school, he started cooking at Mario’s Italian Restaurant in Rochester, NY. After graduating from the Culinary Institute of America, he worked at Levana, Sparks Steak House, and Le Bernardin in Manhattan. He went to work as a sous chef at the Jacob K. Javits Convention center before being transferred and promoted to head chef at the

Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC, and then transferred to the head chef position at the Baltimore Convention Center. Burnout led to a career pivot to work in sales for Sysco. He missed cooking so went back to work as a chef at the Marriot Hotel in College Park, MD, and National Geographic headquarters. Norman and Sheila decided to relocate to the Atlanta area in 2007. Norman earned President's Club award for outstanding sales in 2009 with Verizon Wireless. Health issues caused him to choose a flexible work schedule. He worked as an Uber and Lyft driver where he was awarded and recognized for outstanding customer service.

Norman was a man of faith. He loved life and never knew a stranger. He was truly kind.

Norman is survived by his wife Sheila Marie Jefferson; his stepsons Roosevelt Davis and Kenneth Reynolds; his sister Janie Jefferson Nneji and her husband Ben, his brother Fred Jefferson and his wife Felicia; nieces/nephews: Nkechi Nneji, Obi Nneji, Amaka Atinmo, Oby Grace Nneji, Jacqueline Jefferson, John Jefferson; Cousins: Letitia Wims, Leslie Wims Morris, Phyllis Jefferson, Sharrod Jefferson and his wife CaVonna, Arica Jefferson, James Brown; eight grandchildren and other cousins.

A private ceremony will be held.

Memorial fund contributions are welcome. Please send via Venmo to @Janie-Nneji.

Thank you for your prayers and condolence

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 3. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett - Rockdale Chapel  
1999 Hwy 138 SE  
Conyers , GA 30013

# Tribute Wall

GB

“ I was saddened to hear of Norman's passing. We were high school classmates, but one of my most distinct memories of him was a soccer game in 8th grade. We were both defenders racing toward the ball which was in the air, going towards the goal, and I elected to head the ball away at the same moment Stormin' Norman raced over to kick it away. I made the play on the ball, Norman connected with my head behind my ear. I had the wind knocked out of me (Norman was twice my size but apparently very fast for a big guy) and the next thing I remember I was lying on the ground and saw the look of grave concern on his face as he stood over me. From that day on, he always greeted me by asking if I was OK. A genuinely nice guy. May his memory be a blessing. Condolences to his family.

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**greg bernhard** - May 01, 2023 at 07:36 PM

EF

“ We are saddened to learn about your family loss. Continue to rely on God and know that he hears your prayers, because he cares for you. Thinking of you all.

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**Evans family** - April 07, 2022 at 05:45 PM

SF

“ Our condolences and prayers are with you for comfort and peace at this most difficult time. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Blessings to all,  
Your TEPC family,  
Rochester, NY



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**Sarah J Frasier** - March 03, 2022 at 09:43 PM

MF

*Thoughts and Prayers are with Fred, Janie and family!!  
We are deeply saddened by the news of Norman's passing! Please know that  
we will remember the good times at TEPC!!  
Love and Blessings,  
Margaret and Bruce*

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**Margaret Finch** - March 04, 2022 at 10:47 AM

EH

*Thinking of all of you.  
I was very sad to hear that Norman had passed away.  
I so enjoyed keeping in touch now and then, via texts, especially when health concerns were a struggle. My mom and I hold many memories of when our families knew each other way back when .  
May Norman's memory live on in all the stories you share about his wonderful life.  
Sending prayers, comfort and hugs and love to each of you!!!*

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**Elisabeth Hammer** - March 12, 2022 at 07:11 AM

KK

*The news of Norm's death just recently reached his far flung BHS friends. His obituary is spot on - I remember him as so very kind and friendly to all, and this extended to his Facebook messages. I sure wish I had had the chance to enjoy his cooking! May his memory be a blessing.*

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**Kathie Kunz** - April 15, 2022 at 05:59 PM

VW

“ *Vwilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Norman Jefferson*



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**Vwilson** - February 25, 2022 at 05:44 PM