



## Ricky Stone

November 17, 1958 - February 9, 2021

Ricky Stone is survived by his Wife: Laurel Polius-Stone, Daughter: Lauren Ashley Stone, Son: Xavier Stone, Aunts: Louise, Lily-Ruth, Fanny and Sharon, and numerous cousins. Special friends: Marvin Grier, Tony Williams, Antonio Moody, Geneva Hawkins, Abdul, Thomas "T" Sieh, Ms. Paula, and many more too numerous to mention.

Ricky Stone, known to many as 'Ole School' and to others as 'Red', was born on November 17, 1958, in Atlanta, GA to Richard and Mary Stone (both deceased). He spent most of his childhood years in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he graduated from Hughes High School. Ricky was very passionate about becoming a soldier, but could never be one because he was the only son of his parents, and during that time if you were the only son, the military would not let you enlist. Plus, he was underage. However, this did not stop him from trying to join. He tried to join every single branch of service using multiple strategies, each time he was almost enlisted and each time he got caught. This tells you how determined Ricky was. He was disappointed but not defeated. After high school, Ricky's focus shifted. He moved back to Atlanta, Ga in the early 1980s and began work in construction and then security but knew he did not want to do that long term. He soon became a truck driver, making deliveries all over the United States and Canada.

In 1998, Ricky met his best friend Laurel Polius. They did everything together. After dating for a few years, they realized that they didn't want to be apart so they decided to get married. Out of that union, came their wonderful son, Xavier "Zay" Richard Michael Stone. Ricky and Zay were very close. They shared such a bond that you would hardly see one without the other. They would always compete in video games and when Ricky won, he would always tease Zay.

Ricky was hard-working and did what he had to do to provide for his family. He worked as a truck driver for more than 30 years, but always wanted to do more so he started his own trucking company in 2017, Stone Cold Xpress. Having his own trucking business was his dream and he knew it would not be easy but he ran his business to the best of his abilities.

Ricky impacted many lives throughout his lifetime, through his love of music. I believe in my heart that he heard music even when none was playing, 24-hours a day. He was a gifted singer with a beautiful voice but, you wouldn't have known that unless you heard him sing. We will miss this melodious soul.

Last summer, Ricky and his family's lives changed forever. For over 5 months we could not hear his voice. For over 5 months we prayed for Ricky's recovery. And for over 5 months Ricky fought to stay with us. His fight is now over and his suffering has ended. And so, with grief in our hearts and tears in our eyes, we say, "Farewell! You will forever be in our hearts."

The family of the Late Ricky Stone thanks everyone who offered comfort and assistance during this time of grief. Please Keep Us in Your Prayers.

Celebration of Life for Mr. Ricky Stone will be held Friday, March 5, 2021, 11am in our chapel. Burial at Resthaven Cemetery, Decatur, GA. Visitation Thursday, March 4, 2021 from 4pm-6pm at Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, 914 Scenic Hwy., Lawrenceville, GA., 30045/

# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Cemetery

2284 Candler Rd  
Decatur, Ga

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett and Sons - Gwinnett Chapel  
914 Scenic Hwy  
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

## Celebration of Life

MAR 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sharing your sadness as you prepare to say goodbye to your love one. May the support of family and friends be a source of strength and the God of comfort a refuge in your time of sorrow. Truly sorry for your loss.* ”

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**Evans family** - March 12, 2021 at 05:04 AM