



## Mr. Robert Lewis Perryman Jr.

October 16, 1964 - February 23, 2023

Robert "BP" Perryman, 58, a long time resident of North Andover, Massachusetts, passed away February 23, 2023 in Snellville, Georgia after a rapid decline with dementia with his loving wife Sonya and family by his side.

He was born to Robert Perryman, Sr and his wife Carolyn on October 16, 1964 in Raleigh, North Carolina. Robert spent his high school years in Massachusetts at Bourne High School on Cape Cod. After graduation, he accepted a full football scholarship to the University of Michigan. He was a Michigan running back from 1982-1986. During his senior year, he finished second on the team in rushing yards and was not tackled for a loss the entire year. The Wolverines went 11-2 and won the "Big Ten" that year.

After graduating from the University of Michigan , Robert went on to pursue his dreams playing in the National Football League. He was drafted overall #79 in the 1987 NFL draft and was selected as the New England Patriots second pick in the third round as a running back/full back. He played four years with the New England Patriots, then with the Dallas Cowboys and two seasons with the Denver Broncos.

After a successful NFL career, Robert focused his talents working with the United Way and later as a probation officer in Gloucester District Court and Salem Superior Court. His passion for football also led him to coach Youth,

High School and College Football teams. He also worked as an assistant coach with the Boston Militia of the Independent Women's Football League with former Patriots cornerback, Derrick Beasley, Robert's brother-in-law.

In retirement he enjoyed exercising, playing golf and spending time with this retired group of friends at the Yacht Club. In the last few years his biggest joy in life was spending time with his youngest grandson Zayn. Robert will be deeply missed by his family, friends and all who knew him.

Robert is survived by the love of his life, wife Sonya Perryman (McCarter) of thirty two years. They enjoyed so many unforgettable memories with close family and friends. Robert was a loving and caring father of their children Jason, Krista, Robert III and his fiancé Julia Mulcahy.

He leaves his mother Carolyn Perryman (Hicks), his brother Rorery Perryman and wife Kimberly Perryman, his sisters Kimberlyn Perryman, Kelly Perryman, Kirsten Perryman, eldest daughters Nicole Hills(Perryman), Sasha Perryman, several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, grandchildren and predeceased by his brother Ronald Perryman and father Robert Perryman Sr. In addition to a very large community of friends.

A funeral service is scheduled for 1pm on March 11th,2023 at Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory Gwinnett 914 Scenic Hwy Lawrenceville, GA 30045.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Robert Perryman Jr. to Supportive Services LLC 2735 Paces Ferry Road SE #621 Atlanta, GA 30339. The family is especially grateful to his dedicated team of professionals.

# Cemetery Details

## East Shadow Lawn

87 Scenic Hwy  
Lawrenceville, GA

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life (Mask Required)

MAR 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ As I just learned this through Garland Rivers post of the Mich vs OSU.  
*My most sincere condolences to the Perryman family , I had the pleasure of attending 5 years of college together. We were great friends and Bob used to to pick me up in his car to go to class off campus ! We had some great memories and remember him to be a great Michigan Man. I will miss him dearly. God Bless , May he rest in eternal peace. Go Blue Forever , Mike Amine wrestling class of 84-89 Michigan*

Mike Amine - November 27, 2025 at 07:45 PM

BY

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Bob Perryman's early passing. I was a dorm mate of Bob's at South Quad at the University of Michigan, and a rabid football fan. Bob was always very kind and open to talking to me about football, our shared college experience, and some of the "inner workings" of the hard work and dedication it took to be a successful student athlete. I remember speaking with him during his NFL recruiting process and what the scouts were really interested in. Again, my sympathies to all of his family for his passing.*

Brian Yost - October 11, 2023 at 03:11 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Lewis Perryman Jr..*



March 10, 2023 at 03:13 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Lewis Perryman Jr..*



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March 09, 2023 at 10:41 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Lewis Perryman Jr..*



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March 07, 2023 at 08:33 AM



“ *To the Perryman Family, my Deepest Condolences in the passing of “My Brother Bob”. I will never forget his football years at Bourne High School, especially the Thanksgiving Day football game 6 TDs against Wareham. Then his moving on to Michigan Go Big Blue. He was then drafted by the NE Patriots and a special I will never forget is him looking in the stands he noticed me and then pointed at me and waved. I will never forget that moment! May he Rest In Peace 🙏🙏🙏  
Bruce Cardoza and family ❤️*



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**Bruce R Cardoza** - March 06, 2023 at 04:53 PM



“ We spent many mornings working out together at the Andover/ North Andover YMCA on the Exercycle and in the swimming pool and jacuzzi. He was a delightful friend, versed in many subjects and very devoted to his family. He will be sorely missed, but I am so grateful that we became acquainted and shared views on everything!

Rickey Silverman - March 06, 2023 at 08:18 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Lewis Perryman Jr..



March 05, 2023 at 04:56 PM



“ To Mrs Perryman, Rorery & sisters, and his family, he was a wonderful person with kind heart, a friendly smile and a contagious laugh. Hearing him laugh would make you do the same. My heart breaks for all of you; just too young. May you all find love and peace with all of your memories. Rest in peace my friend. You will be missed dearly. With love and peace , Nadine

Nadine - March 04, 2023 at 12:51 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May the God of comfort help to ease the pain of your grief. Thinking of you all.

Evans family - March 03, 2023 at 06:39 PM