



RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr.

May 18, 1962 - August 16, 2024

Irving Benjamin Aughburns, Sr was born on May 18, 1962, to Mr. Cyril Alix and Ms. Elizabeth Stevens. He was born in Queens, NY but raised in Ithaca, NY where he attended Ithaca High School and excelled in basketball. After graduating high school, he received multiple full basketball scholarships. Irving selected to attend Nazareth College in Rochester, NY where he obtained his Bachelors in Business Administration and was later inducted into the Nazareth College Basketball Hall of Fame. He later continued his education and received his Masters in Business Administration. In 1986, Irving decided to enlist in the United States Army where he served as a Special Forces Engineer. During his military career, he received the following awards and honors: Meritorious Service Medal (3rd Award), Army Commendation Medal (2nd Award), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (3rd Award), Army Good Conduct Medal (7th Award), National Defense Service, South West Asia Medal with Bronze Service Star (3rd Award), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Non Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (3rd Award), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, KU-LIB-Medal (Saudi Arabia) KU-LIB-Medal (Kuwait). Irving retired from the United States Army in 2009 after 23 years of dedicated service.

Irving was a passionate sports fan. His favorite teams were the NY Knicks and

NY Giants. As much as Irving loved sports, he loved his family and friend more.

Irving was preceded in death by his mother, Ms. Elizabeth Stevens, his father Mr. Cyril Alix, his brothers Leo Stevens, Milton Stevens, Johnny Allen, Jerome Allen, Cyril Aughburns, and one sister Delores Stevens.

Irving was joined in holy matrimony to Miss Lashelle Janee Wilkes on October 27, 2012, and they shared an abundance of love and friendship. He is also survived by his spouse Lashelle Aughburns, daughters Nicole Woods of Fayetteville, NC, Tressa Aughburns of St. Thomas Virgin Islands, Ch'ressa Aughburns of Raleigh, NC, Linda Aughburns of Fort Moore, GA, Richelle Wilkes of Fayetteville, NC, and one son Irving Benjamin Aughburns, Jr. of Fayetteville, NC, grandsons Jaalen Woods, Chrystopher Scott, granddaughters Aurielle Witherspoon, Simone Wilkes, Arlanee Young, Chelsea Johnson, Natalie Pridgon, and one great granddaughter Ariyah Woods, one sister-in-law, Levette Wilkes of Fayetteville, NC, one aunt Miranda Bridges of Greensboro, NC, five (5) nieces Aisha Hardy, Lawanda Allen-Vasquez, LaCasha Rosario, Shequitta Lindsey (Roderick), Shanee Bryant, a host of great nieces, nephews, and friends.

Irving joined Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church in October of 2012, and he was a devoted member who loved listening to the men's choir.

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church
118 Johnson St.
Fayetteville, NC 28303

Funeral

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church
118 Johnson St.
Fayetteville, NC 28303

Burial

AUG **26**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery
8220 Bragg Blvd
Spring Lake, NC 28390

Tribute Wall



“ Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr.



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - August 26, 2024 at 09:41 AM

SL

Beautiful video slide ❤️

Shequitta Lindsey - August 30, 2024 at 10:34 AM



“ Hello, my name is David Carter, I was Irv's roommate our freshmen year at Nazareth, Irv, was the most kindest, gentlest man i have ever met, he was a man's man he was so genuine as person, so sorry for the family, I often thought about him, and now I find this online, I'm so broken, I loved that man like a brother, RIP my friend, you will be forever in my thoughts and once again yo his family my condolences, to we meet again Brother love ya big guy !

David Carter - January 29 at 01:32 AM

YA

“ Your Cousin Carlos and Auntie Angie purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



Your Cousin Carlos and Auntie Angie - August 25, 2024 at 08:55 PM

YA

“ Your Cousin Carlos and Auntie Angie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..

Your Cousin Carlos and Auntie Angie - August 25, 2024 at 08:55 PM

RC

“ Our prayers and condolences are with you during this time of bereavement...

*Robert & Elaine Coleman
Mt. Olive M.B. Church
118 Johnson Street
Fayetteville, NC*



Robert & Elaine Coleman - August 24, 2024 at 07:01 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



August 24, 2024 at 04:06 PM

EM

“ Eric and Robin Moore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..

Eric and Robin Moore - August 24, 2024 at 04:06 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



August 24, 2024 at 01:31 AM



“ Officers and NCOs of 3-11 IN Regt (OCS) purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



Officers and NCOs of 3-11 IN Regt (OCS) - August 23, 2024 at 06:28 PM



“ Officers and NCOs of 3-11 IN Regt (OCS) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..

Officers and NCOs of 3-11 IN Regt (OCS) - August 23, 2024 at 06:28 PM

TF

“ The Edwards Family purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



The Edwards Family - August 23, 2024 at 03:02 PM

TF

“ The Edwards Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..

The Edwards Family - August 23, 2024 at 03:02 PM

CF

“ Carmen Rose and Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



Carmen Rose and Family - August 23, 2024 at 11:36 AM

NS

“ My condolences to the family. Nellie Smith



Nellie Smith - August 23, 2024 at 10:07 AM

SP

“ *Sylvia Pompey lit a candle in memory of Irving Aughburns*



Sylvia Pompey - August 23, 2024 at 06:06 AM

SP

“ *Our prayers, love and deepest condolences to Shelle and family. Irving was a gentle giant who touched many hearts. He was an encouragement to all who knew him. His kindness and witness will be remembered and his legacy will make a difference in the lives of those He touched.* 🙏🙏🙏

Sylvia Pompey - August 23, 2024 at 06:05 AM

YC

“ *Your family in Cary's 311 Center purchased the Sweet Liberty for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..*



Your family in Cary's 311 Center - August 22, 2024 at 01:08 PM

YC

“ *Your family in Cary's 311 Center planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..*

Your family in Cary's 311 Center - August 22, 2024 at 01:08 PM

FA

“ From Malinda Alexander purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



From Malinda Alexander - August 22, 2024 at 11:57 AM

EL

“ I love you Uncle Irving so much. I miss you already may you rest in heaven calmly and safely see you soon. You were always one of my best friends and I will never forget you. May you rest in heaven with God love you Uncle Irving 🙏❤️
Love Elijah



Elijah Lindsey - August 21, 2024 at 08:14 PM

BS

“ Beatrice Staniel lit a candle in memory of Irving Aughburns



Beatrice Staniel - August 20, 2024 at 01:11 PM

TC

“ The Crespos purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



The Crespos - August 20, 2024 at 09:06 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



August 20, 2024 at 08:59 AM

MA

“ Michael "K9" Amory planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..

Michael "K9" Amory - August 20, 2024 at 08:59 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..



August 20, 2024 at 07:36 AM

MS

“ *MARVIN L. HARGROVE SR. lit a candle in memory of Irving Aughburns*



MARVIN L. HARGROVE SR. - August 19, 2024 at 10:18 PM

TU

“ *The Sibilly and Penn Family, USVI purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..*



The Sibilly and Penn Family, USVI - August 19, 2024 at 09:17 PM

TU

“ *The Sibilly and Penn Family, USVI planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of RET SFC Irving Benjamin Aughburns Sr..*

The Sibilly and Penn Family, USVI - August 19, 2024 at 09:17 PM

CR

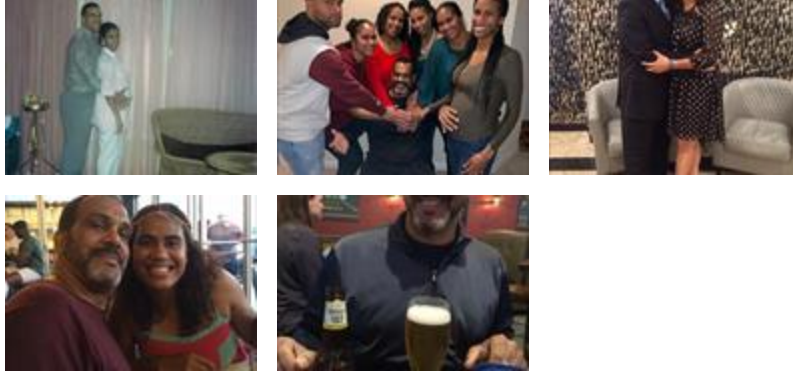
“ *Mr. Irving. I never told you how I looked up to you as Father. The way you took care of your family was something admire. The true model of a Grown Man. Your spirit will live on through your family and to me. I Love You Sir and Will Miss You Even More.*



Chad Riley - August 19, 2024 at 07:50 PM

TA

“ *Rest in Peace Dad
Love Mo Peaz.*



Tressa Aughburns - August 19, 2024 at 06:50 PM

SB

“ *Stella Boykin lit a candle in memory of Irving
Aughburns*



Stella Boykin - August 19, 2024 at 06:14 PM

SF

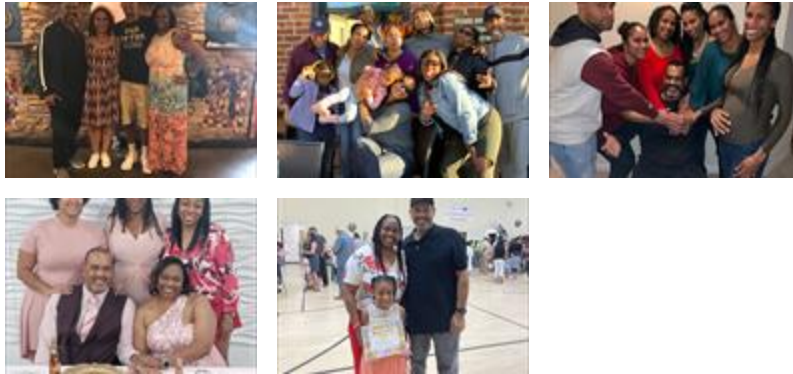
“ *Shirley Draughn & Family purchased the Emerald
Garden Basket for the family of RET SFC Irving
Benjamin Aughburns Sr..*



Shirley Draughn & Family - August 19, 2024 at 06:01 PM

CH

“ One word to best describe this man is **SOLDIER**. Your life story is definitely one for the books. Despite the tough beginnings, you never stopped. You stayed strong and fought your way to better. You graduated college. Made the Nazareth College basketball hall of fame. Completed a masters degree. Army retired, Airborne, and Special Forces. You taught me how to play sports. You were front row when I received my college degree. Walked me down the aisle. Loved your beautiful granddaughter. I'm proud to be your daughter. I really hope you are enjoying heaven. I feel you leaving is too soon, but God calls you in his time, and I understand that. I love you so much! I hope you are smiling on me and Chelsea from heaven.



Chressa - August 19, 2024 at 02:52 PM

DW

“ David & Mary Williams lit a candle in memory of Irving Aughburns



David & Mary Williams - August 19, 2024 at 02:49 PM

JC

Campbell Family: My fondest memories include a man of great character and humanity. He will truly be missed and his life never forgotten.

Jason campbell - August 20, 2024 at 07:55 AM

AY

“ *My grandfather(Bop/Grandpa Ice) he was a really good man I really loved him. He was my support person and I will really miss him forever but he's in a better place. Love you Bop* 🕊️❤️



Arlanee "Cookie" Young - August 18, 2024 at 08:05 PM

AY

“ *My Grandfather(Grandpa Ice) was my favorite guy in the whole world I knew he was sick but I thought he would get better but sadly he didn't I will always ALWAYS love you Bop your in a better place now* 🕊️❤️



Arlanee "Cookie" Young - August 17, 2024 at 07:21 PM



“ *The first man I ever loved. Love you Always Pops* □



Aurielle Witherspoon - August 17, 2024 at 04:39 PM

JS

“ *My Big Brother, With the Biggest Heart, literally CHANGED MY LIFE...!*

He was Scary to me in Basic Training!

We Bonded in AIT!

We became Brothers in Jump School!

And, We became Family in the 82nd ABN...!

Without My Big Brother - I wouldn't have gotten the Courage to Jump out of those Planes!

Your Mentorship made Drill Sergeant School and that Journey Training young soldiers like we once were - Easy!!

And, more importantly to Me, My Children, and my Family, without You I wouldn't have gotten the courage to go to College and get an Ivy League degree...!!

(You made me “A Man”, Big Bro!)

Although I know that Irving wouldn't want me to feel this way, but I feel guilty for letting Distance keep us from being more present in each other's Lives!

I am so thankful that I made it to your Birthday Party!

I didn't realize it at the time, but as your final gift you allowed us the opportunity to say our “Goodbyes” to one another...

I was given the chance to thank you (Face to Face) for the guidance, support, and Brotherly Love that sustains me even in your passing...

I will be Eternally Grateful for all that you've done for me, Big Bro!





James "Sully" Sullivan - August 17, 2024 at 02:48 PM

PC

Such an Amazing Man who was so Humble and an Amazingly Loving and Friendly Guy. I'm so glad that I got the opportunity to meet him through his Wife Shelly and will forever cherish the moments that we gathered as a Family over my Niece and Nephew Letitia and Keith Smith house. Irvin was such a Great Man and I'm sure will be Missed by many. RIP 💕

Phyllis Cogdell - August 17, 2024 at 05:56 PM

NW

“ They say a daughters first love is her father, that statement could never be truer than right now. You we're my first love, and always will be. You were a great father, provider, friend, grandfather, and great- grandfather. You will remain forever in our hearts. We miss you dearly, and will always love you 💙...Pickles

Nicole' Woods - August 17, 2024 at 01:19 PM