

## Remembering his Life Eric Keith "Truck" Turner

Mr. Eric Keith "Truck" Turner, age 69, peacefully answered God's call on January 23, 2026. He was born on March 4, 1956, in Rutherfordton NC, to the late Otho & Mattie Turner, and was the eldest of three children.

Truck was raised in Rutherford County where he completed his high school education at R-S Central High School Class of '74. He spent many years driving for the former Yelton Milling Company as a delivery driver, hence the nickname "Truck". He would say he can drive anything with an engine.

Truck had a love for anything outdoors which included fishing (Isothermal Spring and Fall), hunting (Omar running the rabbits) and landscaping (Ellenboro Community). Let's not forget old time westerns, soaps and playing spades (run tell dat). There was never a dull moment when he was in the room or on the phone.

He attended New Zion Missionary Baptist church in Spindale, NC. He loved some "Old Gospel Singing".

Eric was preceded in death by his father, Otho Turner, mother, Mattie Turner, brother, Stephen Lee Turner, brother, James Thompson, and sister, Mary Hamilton.

He leaves to cherish his memory; daughter, Avis James (AJ) of Forest City, NC, son, Eric Turner (Jennifer) of Gastonia NC, son, Scotty Turner (Ira) of Forest City, son, Omar Turner (Jewanda) of Forest City NC. Truck leaves behind his sisters, Mae Ellen Turner (Jimmy) of Spindale, NC, Marcelle Hamilton of Spindale, NC, and a brother, Marvin Hamilton of Flemington NJ. His companion of many years Carolyn Dover of Ellenboro, three bonus children, Eric Dover, Lee Dover and Getina "Tina" Johnson (Bishop Eddie). aunts; Cleatrice Tatum, Elizabeth Smith; Detroit, Michigan, Florence Logan, Ontario, Canada, uncles; Clarence Logan, Shelby NC, and George Logan, Detroit Michigan.

Turner Legacy continues through 13 grandchildren, nine great-grand, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, loved ones and friends



A Celebration of Life for  
**ERIC KEITH TURNER**

New Zion Missionary Baptist Church  
Spindale, North Carolina  
Pastor Billy J. Ramseur

January 29, 2026  
2:00 pm

Order of Service  
Officiating Bishop Eddie J. Johnson

Processional

Congregational Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Rev. Jim Hamilton

New Testament .....Bishop Eddie Johnson

Prayer.....James Phillips

Selection.....Robin McDowell

Remarks..... Georgia Steele "for family"

Limit time for others

Reading of Obituary.....Read by Eric C. Turner

Selection.....Taron Kelly

Eulogy.....Pastor Billy J. Ramseur

Recessional Selection.....Jewanda Turner

**INTERMENT**

New Zion Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery  
Spindale, North Carolina

**Flower Bearers**  
Family and Friends

**Pall Bearers**  
Family



## ***This Is Not Goodbye***

*I did not want to leave you  
It was just my time to go  
I know your heart is breaking  
So, I need to let you know  
That although you can no longer see me  
I'll be forever by your side  
I promise time will numb the pain  
And help dry the tears you've cried  
You can reach me in your memories  
Just think of me, I will be there  
In your dreams, we can visit yesteryear  
Where we didn't have a care  
Please carry on and live your life  
I beg of you to try  
Just know we'll meet again one day  
As this is not goodbye.*

## **Acknowledgement**

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation, the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown to them during their hour of bereavement. May God bless and keep you.

**Ulysses D. Miller**  
**FUNERAL SERVICES**

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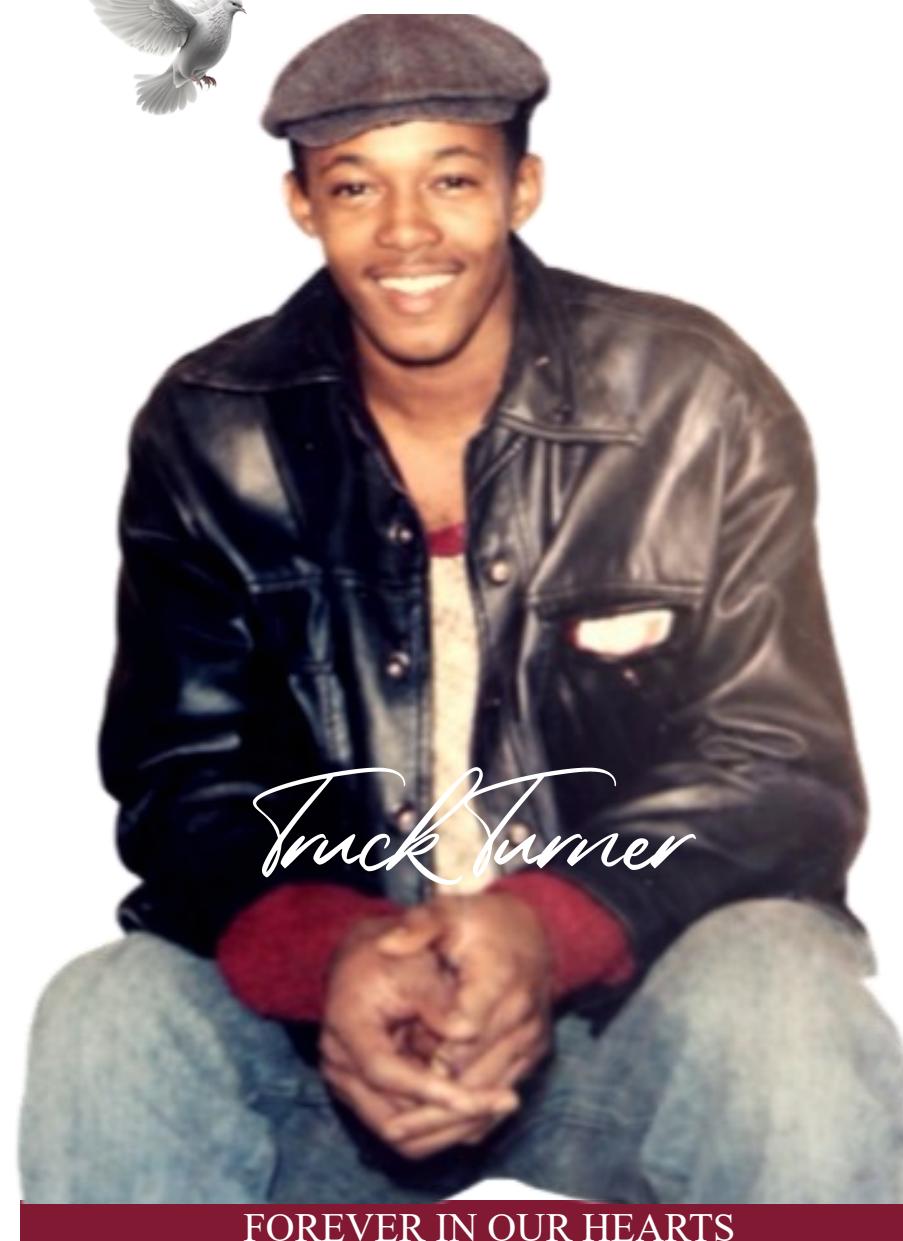
"We Are The Voice of Comfort In Your Hour of Grief"

# **Eric Keith Turner**

a.k.a. (Truck Turner)

Sunrise: March 4, 1956 at 8:49am

Sunset: January 23, 2026 at 9:42am



**FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS**