



Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.

June 29, 1971 - April 9, 2019

Andre Lanier Davis, Sr. (aka "Big Dre from 12th Street"), was born June 29, 1971 to Joette Davis and Henry Bell in Corpus Christi, TX. At an early age he confessed his faith in Christ and was baptized at Friendly Will Baptist Church, under the leadership of Pastor John Glascoe. Andre received his education in the Austin Independent Schools. Andre was a hard worker at the age of 12. As he grew older he was always creating new business opportunities for himself. He was famous in the Austin Area.

As Andre continued his journey in life, his mission was to positively impact the community. Andre had a free and loving spirit with a heart of gold. He'd give you the shirt off his back and the last of whatever he had. He was a self-proclaimed comedian and used his talent to entertain anyone who would listen. His light shined all over the world.

Andre spent several years traveling the world and introduced himself with his famed coined phrase, "I'm Big Dre from 12th Street." He was loved by so many people near and far and touched so many lives. His legacy will live on based on the love he's shown throughout his lifetime.

Andre was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents: Herbert Reed, Sr. and Josephine Reed. His paternal grandparents, aunt, Doris Reed; uncle, James Reed and cousin, Michael Reed.

Andre leaves to cherish his memories, daughter: Grindl Carrington; sons: Andre Davis Jr. and Quinn Ray Davis; grandchildren: Carter Ray Davis and Kai Davis; six God children; mother Joette Davis, father, Henry Bell (Martha);

brothers: Carlester Davis, Jr., Horace Davis (Suzy), Charles Davis, Honrē Bell, Jerry Bell, Dante Bell, and Arsha Bell; sisters: Vickie Reed-Davis, Arbor Davis, Patrice Davis and Aquita Bell. He also leaves a host of other relatives, family and friends.

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Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

3304 E12th & Airport Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Previous Events

Viewing

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Givens Recreation Center _Givens Park
3811 E. 12th Street
Austin, TX 78721

Celebration Service

APR **20**. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. James Baptist Church
3417 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Austin, TX 78721

Tribute Wall



“ *Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *Still missing you like crazy 🕊️🎈
And it still remains Justice for Dre
We miss you uncle 🥺😭🥺🕊️🎈🕊️*

Shanell Brown - October 05, 2021 at 04:09 PM



“ *Christina Jones lit a candle in memory of
Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Christina Jones - December 22, 2019 at 12:02 PM



*Hey friend i miss you so much always had a joke ready... Keep
shinning on the your family .*

Christina Jones - December 22, 2019 at 12:02 PM



“ *RIP BIG DRE My prayers and condolences
go out to the entire Davis family*



Kevin musgrove - May 11, 2019 at 01:47 AM

GS

“ Jamburger 1988 🧑🏾🍷♂

Gentry Sparks - April 24, 2019 at 05:20 AM

KS

“ Kirk Mathis Sr lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



Kirk Mathis Sr - April 18, 2019 at 05:45 PM

DA

“ Da'Mika lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



Da'Mika - April 18, 2019 at 03:34 PM

KD

Love u uncle

Kim Davis - April 23, 2019 at 05:37 AM

JW

“ May the Lord bless you and keep you in this time of sorrow, reminding you of treasured memories, and the gift of shared love. May he inspire you with the reflection of heaven in earth, from the seeds and flowers, to the mountains and springs. And may you feel the Lord with you, walking besides you in the loneliness, taking your hand in the hardest times and carrying you through the waters of grief. May you be safe and treasured in his hand.



Amen.

Josie Williams - April 18, 2019 at 11:10 AM

RA

“ Big Dre will truly be missed but never will be forgotten. Sending my condolences to the entire family.



Rhoda Arnold - April 18, 2019 at 11:07 AM

CJ

“ Christina Jones lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



Christina Jones - April 18, 2019 at 09:42 AM

BJ

“ Barbara Jenkins purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr..



Barbara Jenkins - April 18, 2019 at 06:40 AM

AN

“ Angela Neblett lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



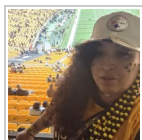
Angela Neblett - April 17, 2019 at 10:09 AM

MH

“ I didn't no Andre but I have seen him couple times on givens Park he very none there and he will be miss..



Marie Hodges - April 17, 2019 at 12:52 AM



“ Stephanie Gates lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



Stephanie Gates - April 16, 2019 at 03:31 PM

SC

“ *Sylvia Cleveland lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Sylvia Cleveland - April 15, 2019 at 10:10 PM

AN

“ *I've had the great pleasure of serving Dre and some of his friends and family at the local Chili's on I-35 where he frequented for good food and service. Everybody that works there knew him as a regular. He was a very respectful man, nice and patient when were very busy and food and drinks took longer than usual. He will be remembered. Prayers from me to his family for strength to get thru this hard time. From Angie*



Angie - April 15, 2019 at 05:36 PM

RY

“ *Runshay Yett lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Runshay Yett - April 15, 2019 at 05:19 PM

CH

“ Christina lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



Christina - April 15, 2019 at 01:53 PM

TG

“ My sincere condolences to Andre's family. He was an "Honor Student" in my 6th grade classroom at Campbell Elementary during the early 80's. RIP my friend from Mr. G.

Tip Giles - April 15, 2019 at 08:52 AM



“ Arayna Charleston lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.



Arayna Charleston - April 15, 2019 at 12:59 AM

AW

“ Thanks Dre for always remembering the little guy those who didn't have popularity but you always showed me love when we talked never turned me away when you were with family and friends. This is what leaders do. You will be missed big homie!!!

Adrian Williams - April 15, 2019 at 12:17 AM

CH

“ *Christina Harrison*

*Big Dre you will be missed deeply
"God Bless The Davis Family"
"We Love You Big Dre"*

Christina - April 14, 2019 at 09:02 PM



“ *Mary Diggs lit a candle in memory of Andre
"DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Mary Diggs - April 14, 2019 at 11:48 AM

JM

“ *Joyce M.Monroe lit a candle in memory of
Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Joyce M.Monroe - April 14, 2019 at 02:25 AM

JM

*MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY FOR THE HOMEGOING OF
YOUR LOVE ONE GOD HAS A BOOK AND EVERY LIVING
PERSON'S NAME IS WRITTEN IN IT FROM THE TIME WE COME
ON HIS EARTH SO HE WAS READY FOR YOUR LOVE ONE ❤️ TO
COME HOME KEEP THE FAITH BE PRAYERFUL GOD LOVES US
ALL*

Joyce M.Monroe - April 14, 2019 at 02:31 AM



My heartfelt deepest condolences to the entire family, God work is never done he has plans for all of us. Andre is in a much better place and all of the family will see him again. Keep the faith and the trust in the Lord. My prayers are with you all.

Mary Diggs - April 14, 2019 at 11:48 AM

CK

“ *Cherryl Priestley Kimbrough lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Cherryl Priestley Kimbrough - April 13, 2019 at 10:02 PM


Raynell
Hardeman

“ *Raynell Hardeman lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Raynell Hardeman - April 13, 2019 at 11:02 AM

TP

“ *Tamara Plummer lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Tamara Plummer - April 13, 2019 at 07:32 AM



“ *Man I'm still shocked you didn't deserve this you're a true ATX 12th street legend, and a respectful man, with a heart of gold, I send prayers to his children and family... R. I. P Big Baby*



MzJazzy Jackson - April 13, 2019 at 01:18 AM

JD

“ *Big Dre the millionaire u would always say when I saw u. We're going to miss you big homie . Your memory will live on .Rest easy. ❤️, Dominic n Joann*

Joann and Dominic - April 13, 2019 at 01:03 AM

TF

“ *Terrie Fisher lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Terrie Fisher - April 12, 2019 at 10:03 PM

GH

“ *Gladys Horton lit a candle in memory of Andre "DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Gladys horton - April 12, 2019 at 09:22 PM

RG

So sorry for y'all loss Dre was one of a kind

Renee green - April 13, 2019 at 11:06 AM

DF

“ Andre, Tyrone and Dexton were the start of some young boys who kept money on em..working for Johnny at Quickie Pickie fixing bikes in the yard and always lived by the loyalty code, grew up together like family and back in the day Marshall Apts was family. The Batts family love yall til no end...Praying for yall, may God leave you guys with a Comforter. Andre was the pure in heart and left a stain here on earth where his footsteps eulogized his life. It was a pleasure knowing you Andre.

Demetra Batts & Family - April 12, 2019 at 07:04 PM

PT

“ Grew up with Big Dre n sisters from both Marshall apt.. kelp a big smile n always crack jokes..when I see Dre he would call out my whole name n would ask about my mother..
😭gone to soon👑



Priscilla Thompson - April 12, 2019 at 05:53 PM

NM

“ Rest Easy Big Dre.



Natalie Monroe - April 12, 2019 at 05:13 PM

Paula
Easley

“ *Paula Easley lit a candle in memory of Andre
"DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Paula Easley - April 12, 2019 at 04:18 PM

Paula
Easley

“ *The Ghetto! That's all I can hear you saying man this is crazy never
in a million years did I think you would leave us so soon! You know
all your girl down here taking it hard we love you Dre! Rest In
Paradise Big Dre From 12th Street (aka) The Ghetto! Until we meet
again*

Paula Easley - April 12, 2019 at 04:17 PM

SH

“ *Sharon sent a virtual gift in memory of Andre
"DRE" Lanier Davis Sr.*



Sharon - April 12, 2019 at 01:06 PM

SH

“Wow Andre, can't believe your gone, thought you would "live forever" it's been awhile but how could I ever forget the Davis family, we grew up together on 12th street!!! When my co-worker said he saw on social media a young man "Big Dre" was killed I was shocked. I only know one Big Dre and was like it can't be, why, what happened who would do such a thing?!?!? I can say this where there was the Davis family on 12th street, there was the Fisher family too. My condolences, thoughts, prayers, comfort and healing for the Davis and extended family and friends. RIP DRE "THE FISHER FAMILY" Love Missy, Sharon, Nicole and Alicia (aka Duck) ❤️❤️❤️



Sharon - April 12, 2019 at 10:29 AM

RH

“RH Dre love you and miss you, 1 memory I will never forget I was about 10 years old when he stayed in Marshall apartment and he tricked me some how lol into sticking my head through the bars on the stairs and I couldn't get my head out, we all laugh till tears came out our eyes, he was fun, loving and 1 of the good guys gone to soon, love u cousin until I see you again... Your cousin Rodell aka Pop

Rodell Harris - April 12, 2019 at 12:25 AM



Rochelle Pete - April 12, 2019 at 11:17 AM