



## Peter Cornell Murray

February 20, 1972 - December 22, 2019

Peter Cornell Murray was an example of what a determined, fiercely loyal, cheerful and adventurous life looks like.

Peter, affectionately known as “Pedy” by his family, was born in Austin, TX to parents Tracey and Earnest on February 20, 1972. His name was the blending of love shared for Tracey’s father Duke Carnell and her mother, Christine’s love of biblical names. Peter was the oldest of 3 brothers – along with Ernest Jr. and Michael, they were a trio with a great bond. He was very protective of his brothers and was always ready to defend and care for his family in an instant. The same can be said of him today.

As a child, Peter loved the outdoors and would enjoy playing with his brothers and friends, as often as he could. It was in these early years that he discovered his love for martial arts and would happily practice on all the kids in the Brookwood neighborhood, where they lived. Although he attended several high schools, he was a graduate of Lanier High School.

Peter’s life was forged through fire. He faced many circumstances with faith and persistence. Despite the challenges he faced in life, he always kept a smile, a positive word and was motivated to live and love!

In January 2002, having just moved from California to Austin,

TX with her daughter (Jasmine), Stephanie had a chance encounter with Peter that would turn into a loving relationship that would last nearly 18 years. Sent as a backup crew to assist Stephanie with unloading after a relocation, Peter was instantly smitten with her. That day, Peter found his way to share his number and they would have their first date on January 11, Stephanie's birthday.

By February 13, 2003, the two were married and remained faithfully in love until his passing. The two were intentional about enjoying the world and would take trips together where they could relax and explore other cultures.

He was a "larger than life" personality! His laugh was infectious and took his enjoyment of life seriously. If you knew Peter well, he was a man of many thoughts and had deeply held convictions and opinions that guided his style of living. He deeply cared about his family, achieving their goals and dreams and ensuring they felt loved all the time.

Peter enjoyed reading and learning about the world, as well as various faiths and religions. It was important to him to understand the world and be able to relate to others. He also loved his artillery collection and would showcase it to friends and family when he could. Peter was also an avid gamer and enjoyed playing a good round of "Dungeons and Dragons." He would often call his home a "fortress of solitude" and enjoyed the peace of their quiet neighborhood in the suburbs of Atlanta, GA.

Peter was looking forward to Jasmine's graduation in 2020 and although he will be absent, we know that he would be cheering her on from the crowd. He was very proud of her! We are sad bid farewell to our beloved, Peter, and are mindful of those who have preceded him in death including: Duke &

Christine Murray (grandparents), Ernest Smith (father), and Anthony & Nelda Spears (uncle/aunt).

Left to carry on his legacy are Stephanie Murray (wife), Jasmine Donald (daughter), Carnisha Smith (daughter), Tracey Smith (mother), Ernest and Michael Smith (brothers), Thomas "Lynn" Murray (uncle), Joy & Leon Smith (aunt/uncle), along with nieces, nephews, and cousins and grandchildren (Nayren, Destiny, Jeremiah and Noah) that meant so much to him.

He was a towering presence and a man of God that we can all be proud to have known so well!

## Cemetery Details

### Evergreen Cemetery

3304 E12th & Airport Blvd  
Austin, TX 78721

## Previous Events

### Celebration Service

DEC 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
4805 Heflin Lane  
Austin, TX 78721

# Tribute Wall



“ Peter Cornell Murray

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album

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1306 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Austin, TX 78721

The repeat following will follow the interment at First Baptist Church.

*Acknowledgement*

We are deeply appreciative for all the love and support shown during our time of bereavement. To those who have traveled from near and far to see us through this transition, we cannot thank you enough. We acknowledge the many cards, calls, and concern you've displayed and ask that you continue to pray for us. Our family is saddened by our loss.

(Please kindly use 2 minutes only)

Musical Expression

Ecology  
Pastor Thomas Murray

Recessional

*"I Know a My Way"*  
Tracy Smith

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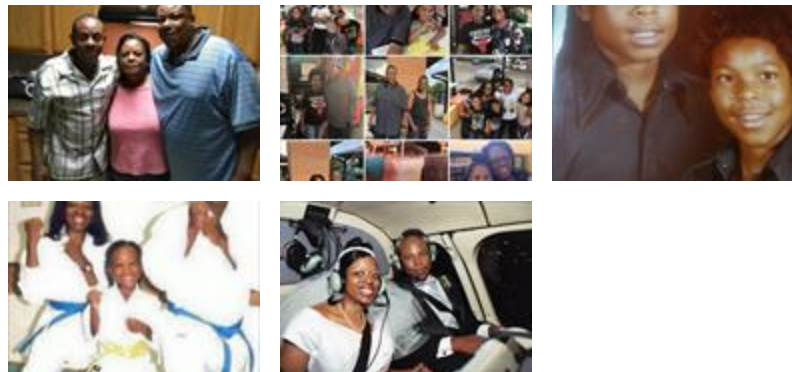
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A Life Celebration by Franklin - April 11, 2020 at 11:01 PM



“ My Baby was a presence and a “man amongst men”. My heart is broken and life will never be the same again. Love you Baby forever and am looking forward to being with you again in the next life 💔😭



Stephanie Murray - December 28, 2019 at 05:20 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Peter Cornell Murray.*



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December 27, 2019 at 04:38 PM



“ *Steve, John & all of PnP purchased the Sweet Remembrance Spray for the family of Peter Cornell Murray.*



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**Steve, John & all of PnP** - December 27, 2019 at 12:33 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter Cornell Murray.*



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December 26, 2019 at 11:28 PM



“ *May God comfort and keep you and your family during this time, continued prayers for you all!*

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**Anthony Fulp** - December 26, 2019 at 07:11 PM

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“ *Tonja Butler lit a candle in memory of Peter  
Cornell Murray*



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**Tonja Butler** - December 26, 2019 at 06:53 PM