

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR EDGAR J. MURDAUGH

Sunrise

JANUARY 27, 1954

Sunset

FEBRUARY 6, 2014



Service

Friday, February 14, 2014 – 10:00 AM

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street

Newark, New Jersey 07112

Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr., Officiating

Emory Lee, Organist

The Obituary

Edgar J. Murdaugh, lovingly remembered as “Eddie”, was born on January 27, 1954 in Brooklyn, NY at Kings County Hospital to Erma Murdaugh and Edgar J. Murdaugh.

Eddie attended Erasmus Hall High School in Brooklyn, NY. He later attended Adelphi Business School, in Brooklyn, NY where he studied Accounting. Eddie worked in various administrative accounting and bookkeeping fields including noteworthy positions held at Time and Life Magazine, Equitable Life Insurance, and the VA Hospital.



As sole proprietors of a record store, his parents encouraged Eddie’s love of music by exposing him to popular jazz and blues artists. At the age of five he played music at his parents parties. Although he was too young to read, Eddie recognized the artist by the record labels.

Eddie began his professional DJ career in 1975. At the age of eighteen he brought his first set of turntables and played at bars spinning records for tips. To widen his listening audience, Eddie sold cassette tapes of his music. People recognized his talents and his notoriety as DJ Eddie skyrocketed. His collection of records and knowledge of music was prolific. He possessed the uncanny ability to take his listeners on a musical journey through time and space. DJ Eddie was a celebrity in the New York City bars and clubs. His informal house parties were legendary and created found memories for all who attended.

Although Eddie battled a life altering condition, he did not allow the condition to alter his life. He was a traveling man always sharply dressed often up with the sun and gone with the wind doing the things he loved. Whether on excursions to Atlantic City or walking along the streets of New York City he was determined to lead an active lifestyle and treasured every moment spent with dear family and friends. Eddie’s outgoing personality and infectious laugh endeared him to many people over the years. His optimism, endurance and inner strength was an inspiration to everyone who knew him.

Eddie departed this life peacefully on February 6, 2014 at home. As he makes his departure Eddie leaves to cherish his memories: his beloved mother, Erma Robinson; his brothers, Clyde Murdaugh and Carl Robinson; his sisters, Sylvia Murdaugh and Sharon Diacheysn; and his special sister, Joreatha Howard. He was preceded in death by his father, Jeffrey Robinson. He also leaves behind a host of loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

Order of Service



Musical Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Consolation

Reflections

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional



Cremation

Evergreen Crematory
Hillside, New Jersey

**You are invited to join our family for repast in the
Community Room at 801 North 6th St, Newark, NJ 07107**

“Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you: I have called you by your name, you are mine. Should you pass through the sea, I will be there with you; or through rivers, they will not swallow you up. Should you walk through fire, you will not be scorched and the flames will not burn you... Do not be afraid, for I am with you.” **Isaiah 43:2**

“Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward *man* is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen *are* temporary, but the things which *are* not seen are eternal.” II **Corinthians 4:16-18**

I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm Free,
I'm following the path God laid for me;
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned back and left them all.

I could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work, or play;
tasks left undone must stay that way.

I found that place at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
then fill it with remembering joy,
a friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with the times of sorrow;

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full; I've savored much,
good friends, good times, and a love one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;
don't lengthen it now with undue grief
lift up your heart and share with me.

God wanted me now-He set me free.

Acknowledgement

The family of **Edgar J. Murdaugh** would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many comforting messages, expressions of love and encouragement, and above all your prayers during the passing of our love one. We could not get through this difficult time without you.

May the Lord bless you.

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