

DRAFT DATE: June 27, 1958

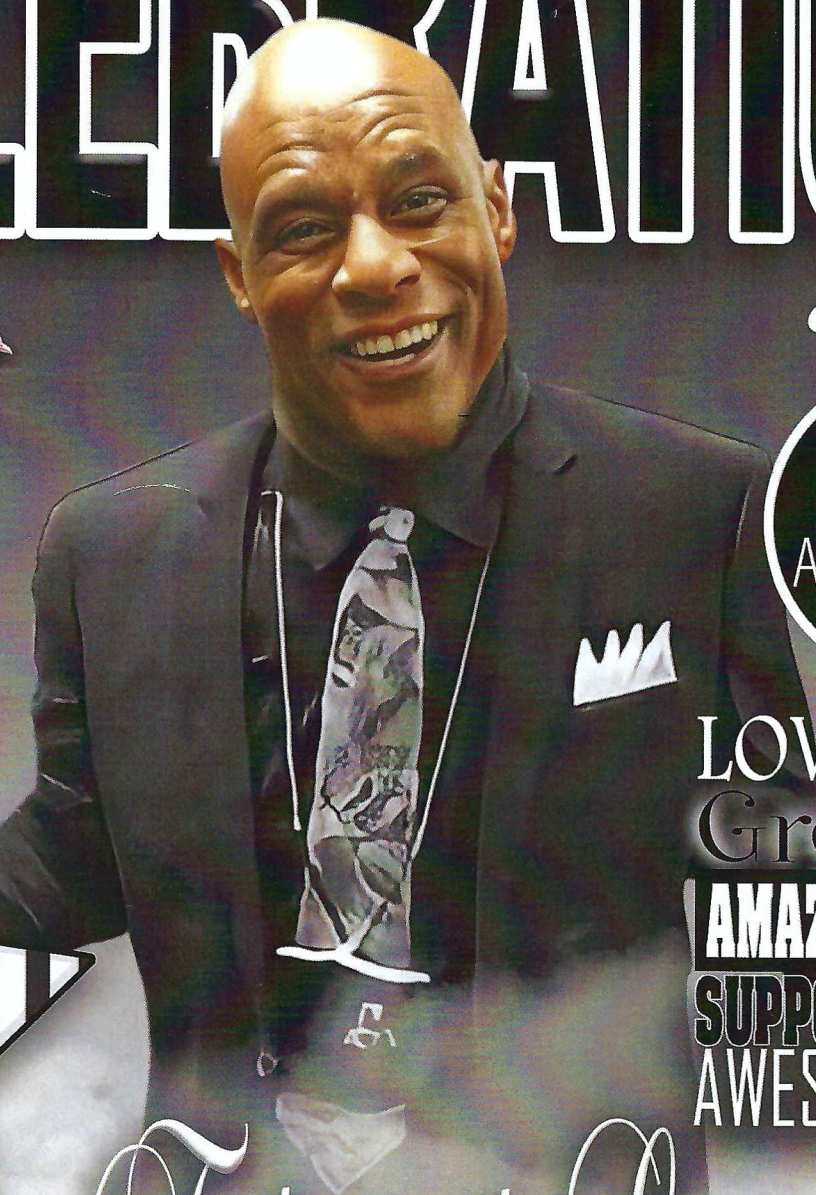
HALL OF FAME INDUCTION: September 27, 2022

CELEBRATION

of life

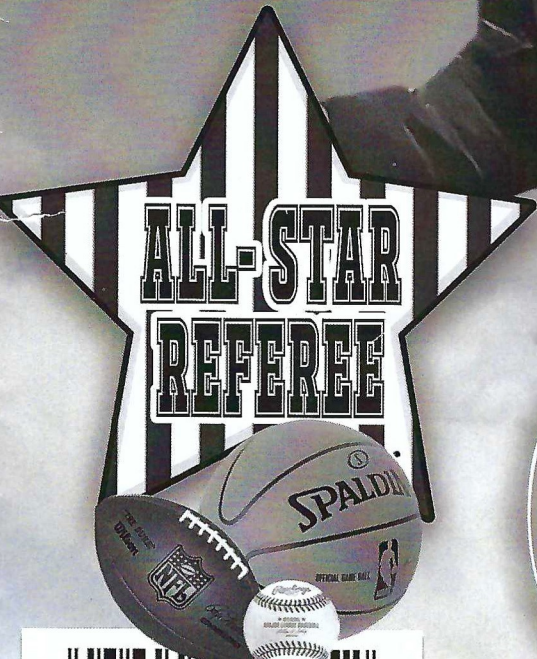
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A STAR WAS BORN



LOVING SON
Great Dad

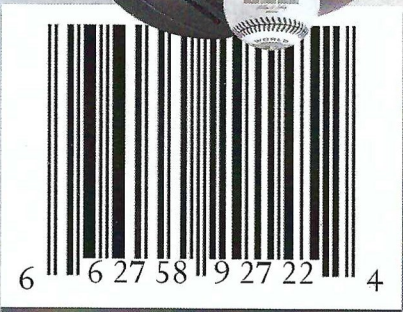
AMAZING PAWPAW
SUPPORTIVE UNCLE
AWESOME FRIEND



Edward Lawrence
BUTLER, JR.

SERVICES: OCTOBER 1, 2022 AT 10:00 AM

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH 1319 E. CROCKETT ST. - SAN ANTONIO, TX 78202



Services of Memory

CELEBRATING

The Homegoing of:

EDWARD

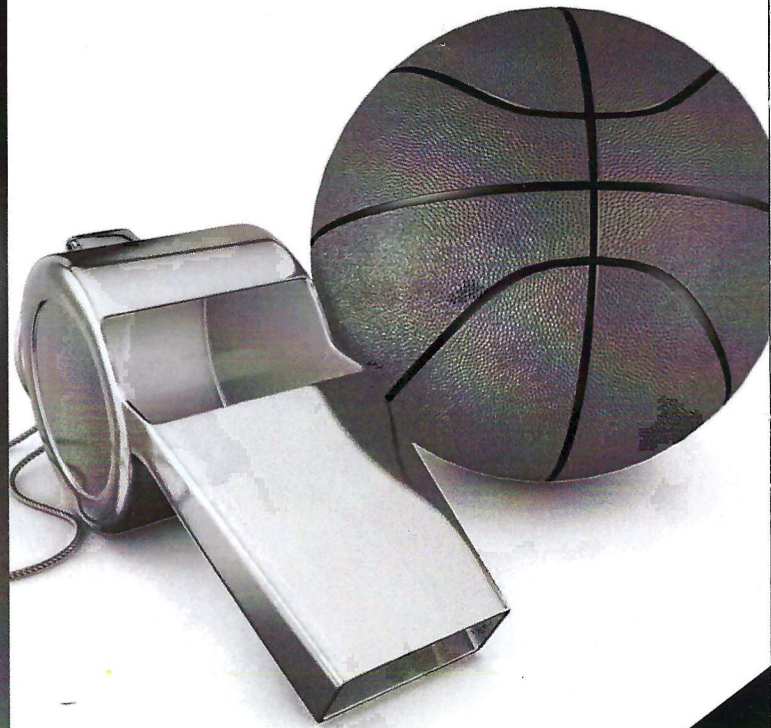
Lawrence Butler, Jr.

Edward Lawrence Butler, Jr. was born on June 27, 1958 in San Antonio, Texas to Edward Lawrence Butler, Sr. and Vernon "Ruth" Butler (Johnson). Edward accepted Christ at an early age. He attended Mt. Gilead Baptist Church as a youth and later joined Trinity Baptist Church as an adult.

Edward received his formal education in San Antonio, Texas. He attended Fox Tech High School where he excelled in sports. He played football, basketball and baseball. After High School, Edward went on to attend Blinn College in Brenham, Texas. Edward developed a strong passion for sports that followed him well into adulthood. He became a youth sports referee. He officiated football, basketball and baseball games for over twenty years with an abundance of love and joy. He is now blowing his whistle in heaven!

Edward was preceded in death by his father, Edward L. Butler, Sr.; grandparents, Violet and Mack Howard and Rosie and Mitchell Johnson; and his aunt, Dorothy Johnson. He leaves to cherish his memories, his mother, Vernon "Ruth" Butler; brothers, Fred Butler and Shaun Butler (Lisa); children, Joe Estrada, Joseph Pace, Kimberly Harps and Erica Butler; grandchildren, Destiny, Sane'I, Royal, Rashon, Ky'Erra, LaJuan, Laiyah and Montrell; great-granddaughter, Naomi; special cousin, LaToria Johnson and children, ShaQuaire, Armoni and DeaVeon; second cousins, Sniyla and Smeira; aunt, Rachel Shular; nieces, E'Lisa and LaRayne; nephews, Shaun Jr., Lawrence "LJ" and Elijah along with a host of half siblings, cousins, family and close friends.

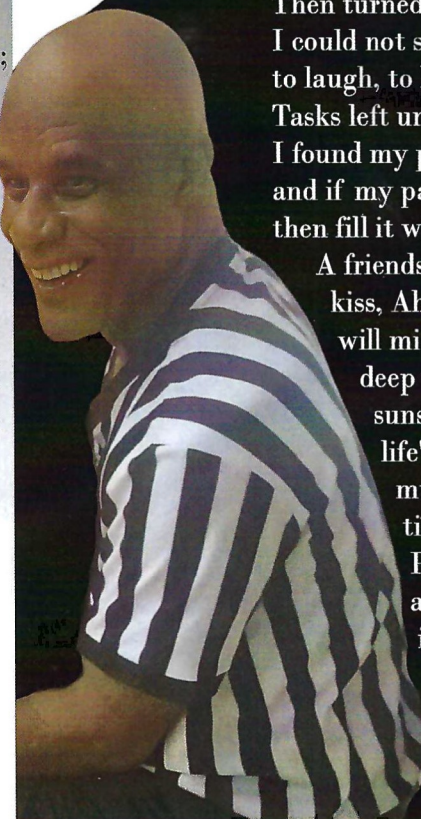
One thing's for sure, God knocked it out of the park on June 27, 1958 when Edward came into this world. He will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him but his memories will forever live in our minds and hearts.



I'm Free

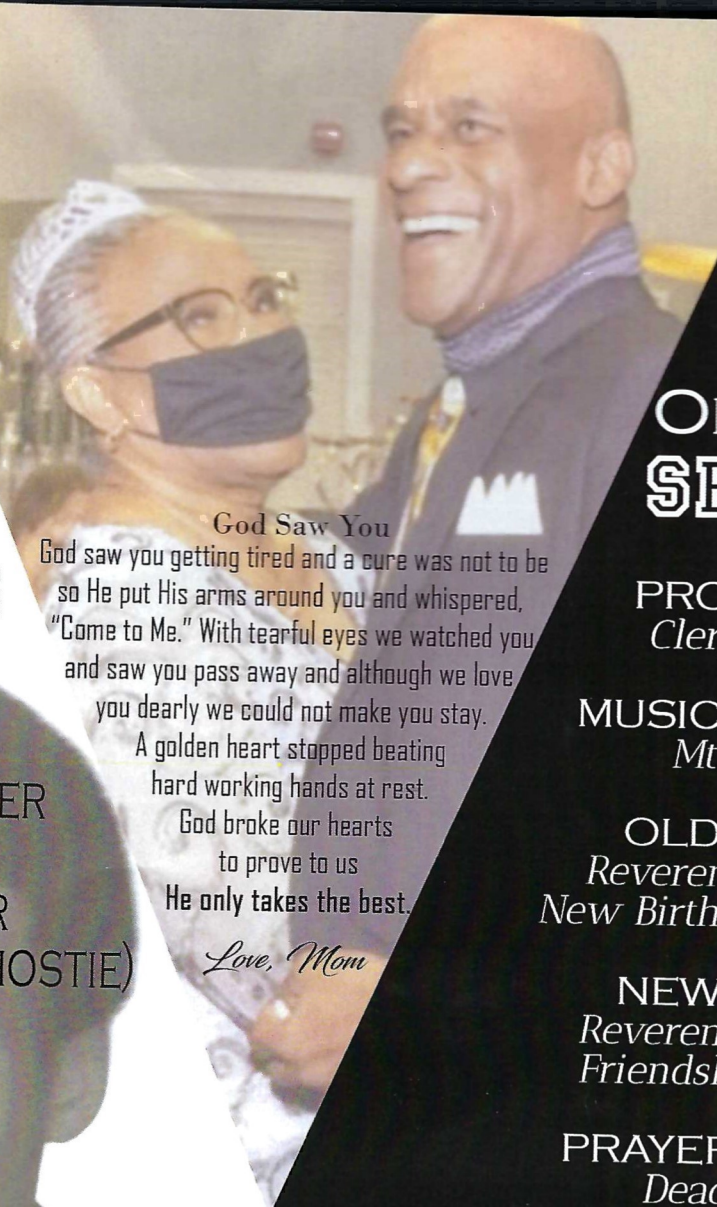
Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following paths God made for me.
I took his hand when I heard him call,
Then turned, and bid farewell to all
I could not stay another day,
to laugh, to love, to sing, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found my peace at the close of day
and if my parting left a void,
then fill it with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a
kiss, Ah yes, these things I too
will miss. Be not burdened
deep with sorrow, I wish you
sunshine of tomorrow. My
life's been full, I've savored
much, good friends, good
times, a loved 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.



ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

FRED BUTLER
SHAUN BUTLER, JR.
LAWRENCE "LJ" BUTLER
DENNIS THOMAS
DEACON BILLY FULLER
HAROLD JACKSON (GHOSTIE)



God Saw You
God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be
so He put His arms around you and whispered,
"Come to Me." With tearful eyes we watched you
and saw you pass away and although we love
you dearly we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating
hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts
to prove to us
He only takes the best.
Love, Mom

*In tears we saw you sinking, and watched you pass away
our hearts were almost broken, we wanted you to stay,
but when we saw you sleeping, so peaceful, free from pain,
now could we wish you back with us, to suffer that again.
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did
not go alone, for part of us went with you, the day god
took you home.
*Loves Your Children**

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy and Family

MUSICAL SELECTION
Mt. Gilead Choir

OLD TESTAMENT
*Reverend Walter Hopkins
New Birth Community Church*

NEW TESTAMENT
*Reverend Clifton Jefferson
Friendship Baptist Church*

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Deacon Bily Fuller

MUSICAL SELECTION
Mt. Gilead Choir

FAMILY TRIBUTE
E'Lisa Butler

EXPRESSIONS (2 MINUTES)

MUSICAL SELECTION
Mt. Gilead Choir

WORDS OF COMFORT
*Reverend Anthony Dixon
Mt. Gilead Baptist Church*

RECESSIONAL
Reverend Anthony Dixon



Acknowledgements:

**Perhaps you dropped by to say hello, or called us on the phone.
 Maybe you visited for a while, to keep us from being alone.
 You may have sent flowers or a card to show you cared:
 Possibly you didn't come at all but remembered us in prayer.
 Whatever kindness extended in our bereavement is accepted with
 sincere gratitude and thanks that's everlasting.**

- The Butler Family

Interment:

MEADOWLAWN MEMORIAL PARK
 5611 E. HOUSTON STREET- SAN ANTONIO, TX 78229 (210) 661-3991

Repass:

Brunch will be served at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church for family and close friends.

Professional Care and Services Entrusted To:

Carter -Taylor-Williams Mortuary
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Mrs. Vera Williams Young, Funeral Director

"NEVER PLACE A QUESTION MARK WHERE GOD HAS PLACED A PERIOD"

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