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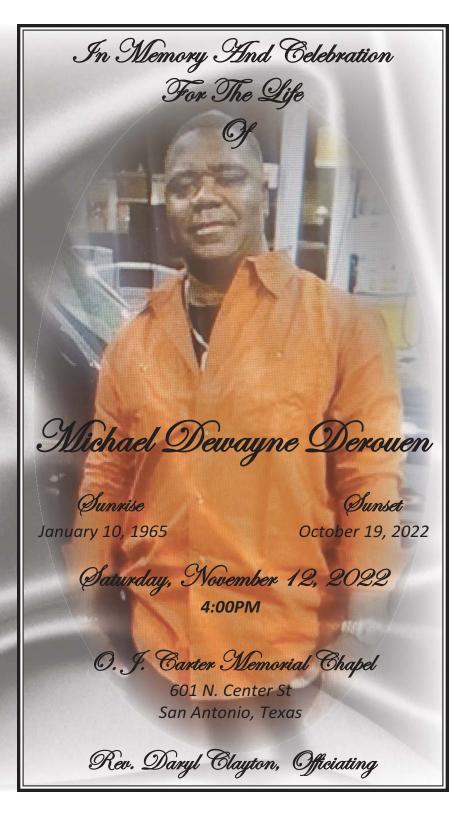
## Family Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You Is Our Prayer.

The Derouen Family

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## Life's Journey

Michael Dewayne Derouen, 58, passed away on October 19, 2022 in Houston, Texas. He was born on January 10, 1965 to Mr. Phyllis Steward and Sadie Bell Henry-Derouen in San Antonio, Texas. He was the youngest of ten children and was raised on the Eastside of San Antonio, in the East Terrace Apartment Complex. He attended Dorie Miller Elementary, Riley Middle School, and graduated from Sam Houston High School in 1984.

**Michael** had a very lively personality and never met a stranger. With his sense of humor he always stood out in any crowd. His smile and laughter was infectious to all who were around him, as he knew how to make people laugh and really enjoy the moment. Michael helped his mother prepare and cook meals for all of his siblings and actually developed a passion for cooking. Thereafter, he pursued a career in cooking and catering hot meals to various people and businesses and continually worked to improve his craft in Culinary Arts. Michael had an aspiring dream to attend one of the most prestigious Chef programs at Le Cordon Bleu Culinary Institute. He believed and spoke about it so much that it became one of his many nicknames. He spent countless hours in the kitchen with the most expensive cookware and garments. Michael presented an array of delicious meals and catering techniques to a small, live audience while advertising his famous Mike D's Catering Restaurant and Services in his own kitchen. His vision was strong and vivid, and his heart continuously radiated the energy needed to pursue the many dreams embedded in his mind throughout his entire life. Michael was one of a kind and will be genuinely missed by family, friends, and all who knew him. We loved Michael very much but GOD LOVED HIM BEST.

Michael was preceded in death by father; Mr. Phyllis Steward, mother; Sadie Belle Henry-Derouen, sisters: Patricia Ann Derouen and Kathy Ann Derouen, nephews: Derrell Wilkerson, Danielle and De'Mareay Derouen, and niece; Ditraniq Hawkins.He is survived by his sisters; Brendalin and Gloria Derouen, brothers; Leonard, Joseph, Ronnie, Charles, and Nathan Derouen and his legacy lives on through his son; Michael A. Derouen, along with a host of step-brothers, step-sisters, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

