



Tony Monte' Birchett, Sr.

February 3, 1974 - May 18, 2024

Tony Monte' Birchett, Sr., passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 18th, 2024, with his devoted wife and partner of 26 years, Debbie, by his side. After a long-fought battle, Tony wins his fight and is finally free from pain and we are comforted in knowing that he is well in the arms of our Lord. His life was a testament to his unwavering faith, commitment to family, and inspiration to those around him not only by words but by action.

Tony, "Crip" or "TC" as he was affectionately called by friends and family was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland. Tony graduated from Baltimore Polytechnic Institute in 1992. He then pursued his passion for computer science at the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore (UMES), where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in 1997. During his time at UMES, Tony became a proud member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity - Gamma Xi Chapter (The Rock) in the Fall of 1994.

Tony and Debbie, or "Poppy" and "Pooh" as you would often hear them affectionately refer to one another, met on the yard of the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore. It was here that their dynamic personalities and desire to achieve and seek the best in life fueled a relationship that would turn into a lifelong commitment. Together, they built a love story and a legacy personified by unconditional love and dedication that transcends beyond reasonable comprehension. Tony was so proud of Debbie and her many

accomplishments and supported her in her quests for higher learning and self involvement. But he mostly admired her for being an amazing mother and his unrelenting caregiver and partner for so many years. Oh, and he always was sure to make sure his "Pooh stayed fly". Together, they built a LIFE- full of memories, teachings, understanding, forgiveness, a LOT of laughter, tears of joy and pain, and all-in-all LOVE.

This love produced three of the most amazing humans to grace the Earth. The Birchett legacy of Tony Jr. (TJ), Te'mon (Malik), and Treyvon (Trey), were the light of Tony's life. Tony's pride in his sons was evident in everything he did. Tony ensured his sons were well-prepared for life, always imparting wisdom and offering advice on life skills, from sports to cooking, to finances, and the essential elements of being a man. Tony reveled in watching his sons excel in sports and academics, always pridefully doting on their accomplishments and ensuring he was front and center at every event possible. Tony Jr. received his undergraduate degree in May 2023 in Criminal Justice from North Carolina Central University in Durham, NC, where he is also currently pursuing his Master of Science in Criminal Justice (Criminal Investigations) while working as a Loss Prevention Specialist. Malik attends the United States Military Academy West Point with a major in Law and Legal Studies and a minor in Environmental Engineering. He also plays on the Army's Rugby team. Malik plans to attend law school after graduation in May of 2025. Trey, a rising junior at Bridgewater College majors in Biology (May 2026) and a member of the Track and Field team. Trey plans to "research and help find a cure for cancer". Tony no doubt has left a lasting and remarkable impression through his legacy. He was and will always be so proud of "his boys".

Tony was more than just a devoted husband, dedicated father, and loving son. He was a youth coach, mentor, surrogate father, advisor, son, uncle, brother, and friend.

He cherished his family and held them close, believing deeply in the power and importance of family bonds. His multifaceted role in those who had the opportunity to experience him will be remembered and missed profoundly.

Faith was a cornerstone of his life, keeping him grounded and hopeful throughout his battles. With the unwavering support and care from his beloved wife Debbie, Tony's determination never wavered. He remained joyous, full of laughter (and jokes), and continued to love those around him fiercely, never allowing his physical ailments to diminish his spirit or will to fight. So yes...HE WON THE BATTLE!!

Tony was an employee of 3M Healthcare for the past 20 years. His commitment to his job was unwavering, and he continued to give his all until he could no longer work due to health complications. The support and love Tony received from his colleagues at 3M Healthcare are a testament to his character and the respect he earned through his hard work and dedication.

Tony enjoyed simple pleasures such as fishing, reading, investing, and herbology. He was extremely passionate about encouraging equal rights for all children. Tony's mission in life extended beyond his immediate family. He was fervent in his passion to uplift, empower, educate, and encourage our youth, especially those of Black and Brown ethnicity. As a member of the NAACP, he was dedicated to ensuring that no one felt less or at a disadvantage due to their skin color. Tony's determination to support and inspire was a beacon of hope and strength for many young people.

Tony Birchett, Sr. leaves a legacy of love, resilience, and unwavering faith. His impact on his family and community will be felt forever. He is now pain-free, having won the ultimate battle, and his spirit will continue to inspire and uplift all who knew him.

Tony was preceded in death by his grandmother, Louise Birchett;
Grandfathers, Thomas Birchett and Francis Hance; Father, Thomas Birchett;
Uncle, Anton Birchett.

Tony is survived by wife, Debbie Birchett; sons, Tony Jr.(TJ), Te'mon (Malik),
and Treyvon (Trey); mother, Amelia Hance; sisters, Lynette Smith and Genilla
Smith; nephews, Phillip and Alex; godfather, George Conway; mother-in-law,
Allyson Swager; sister-in-law, Sara Swager; brother-in-law, Pete Swager;
godsons, goddaughters, and a host of cousins, aunts, and uncles.

Rest in peace and power, Tony. You will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to can be made to <https://everloved.com/life-of/tony-birchett-sr/>

There will be two opportunities to celebrate the beautiful life of Tony

Celebration of Life for Maryland

May 25th, 2024 11:30 am

Power of Faith Church

5242 Park Heights Ave

Baltimore, MD 21215

Tony has requested that all attending wear WHITE

Celebration of Life Service for North Carolina

June 1st, 2024 at 2:00 pm

Davidson College Presbyterian Church

100 North Main St
Davidson, NC 28036

Tony has requested that attendees wear all WHITE

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 1. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Davidson College Presbyterian Church
100 North Main St
Davidson, NC 28036

Tribute Wall

LG

“ Although I didn't know Tony as well as others did, I saw him occasionally at EMIS when I was working there. He always had a smile for everyone and a kind thing to say to me each time I saw him. His smile was infectious and was something I looked forward to seeing when he visited at EMIS. He was a super special person, and I know the Birchetts will miss him deeply. Debbie, I don't have your phone number or I would have called. I just learned of Tony's passing yesterday afternoon. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Leslie

Leslie Grubb - June 02, 2024 at 05:39 PM

PP

“ It was a joy and privilege to work with the Birchettes, the "power couple". Deep love creates deep grief . . . your entire family is in my most sincere prayers for mending of your torn hearts. Tony ~ a life well-lived, and a man who will be deeply missed by so many. Me included. Our Lord' blessings on you ~

Pamela` Pennigar - May 30, 2024 at 01:03 PM

CB

“ Collettia Brown

Collettia brown - May 28, 2024 at 12:50 PM

CB

“ Tony was an inspiration. He was a gem. Tony inspired me so much as we spoke about my physical illness. I'll never forget how he shared so openly with me and in turn I was able to do the same with him. I'll never forget our conversation. Remember family God has no sorrow that cannot heal. Bless you family

Collettia brown - May 28, 2024 at 11:30 AM



Beautiful thoughts, Collettia 💖 Thank you much 💖

Wanda Byrd - May 28, 2024 at 02:31 PM

JW

“ Sending my condolences and God's healing grace to the Birchett family. Toni C my guy from Poly and Eastern Shore. Our friendship was priceless and I am going to miss you. Can't believe you are gone but I am thankful you are no longer suffering love you Brother.

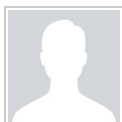
Jay Williams - May 26, 2024 at 08:11 AM

GR

“ My deepest condolences to the Burchette family. May God bless you all with his comfort & peace during this difficult time. I am continuing to pray for you.

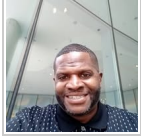
Gayle Ricks
Columbia. SC

Gayle Ricks - May 24, 2024 at 07:40 AM



Thank you, Gayle, very much 💖

Wanda Byrd - May 28, 2024 at 02:32 PM



“ T C it was such a blessing having you as a roommate on campus and off you truly taught me that your circumstances don't define your outcome rest in peace (forever my brother) TRE POUND 🙏💎
🙏🙏🙏🙏

Duane Johnson - May 23, 2024 at 01:00 PM



“ Tony was the absolute joy of the Birchett family as the first grand child, nephew and cousin. Love deeply and admired immensely for 50 years. Broken hearts and a wide & deep void, but the memories, oh the memories!, will lift and carry us. We praise God for his life 🙏🙏
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Wanda Byrd - May 23, 2024 at 12:29 PM



Absolutely. He was Aunt Louise's pride and joy. My prayers go out to his wife, children. extended family and friends.

Jon Miller (cousin) - May 23, 2024 at 01:11 PM



...and special condolences to his beloved mother "Mia".

Jon Miller (cousin) - May 23, 2024 at 01:51 PM



Thank you, Johnny ❤️

Wanda Byrd - May 28, 2024 at 02:33 PM

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“ *Man oh man Bruddah! I am truly at a*



Abeba "Cheese" McCray - May 23, 2024 at 10:55 AM

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I hit the button before I could finish. I'm so heartbroken but Imma be strong because that's EXACTLY what u were! I know u reached the Golden Shore into the Chapter Invisible! We will forever miss you The Rock from The Rock! 🙏💎🙏K❤️

Abeba "Cheese" McCray - May 23, 2024 at 10:59 AM

JM

“ *Jon Miller lit a candle in memory of Tony Monte' Birchett, Sr.*



Jon Miller - May 22, 2024 at 08:46 PM