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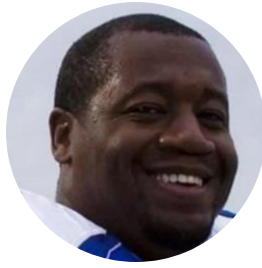


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**A**nthony “Ant” Tyrone Thompson, Sr., 41, formerly of Chattanooga, passed away Saturday, August 15, 2020 in Huntsville, Alabama. He was a 1997 graduate of Ooltewah High School. He attended University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Anthony was an athlete for the Dalton Danger and Tennessee Crush Football Teams. He was preceded in death by his mother, Sabrina Thompson; grandparents, James and Gwendolyn Bruell, Fred and Nellie Thompson; great-grandfather, Will Simley. Survivors include his son, Anthony “AJ” Thompson, Jr. of Chattanooga; father, Arthur Thompson, Sr.; brothers, Arthur Thompson, Jr. of Chattanooga, Michael (Allunda) Thompson of Athens, AL, and Earl Thompson of Decatur, AL; sister, Marckita (Shaun) Wilkes of Chattanooga; former wife, Ashley Johnson of Chattanooga; and a host of other relatives and friends. Pastor Ron King will officiate. Minister Isaiah Purifory will be the eulogist.



## Events

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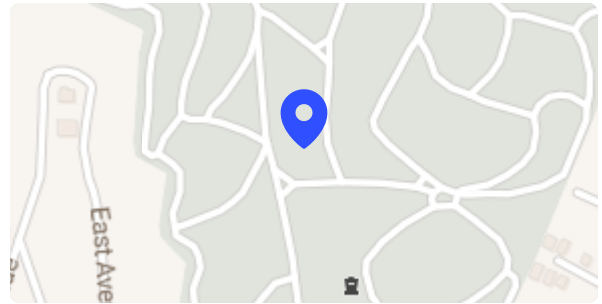
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### Cemetery Details



**Forest Hills Cemetery**

4016 Tennessee Avenue , Chattanooga TN  
37409





## Tribute Wall

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**Mesaïd Alharbi** lit a candle in honor of Anthony.

I will not forget you, my friend, no matter how long I am to this day, my heart cries for your separation

August 30 at 3:53 AM



**Maddy Smith** posted:

Tiny, I just can't believe life had taken it's path this way. You are so loved and I wish I had you here to see the rest of how our lives would play out. You were the ultimate best friend, the best protector, the best co worker, and even more than someone could ask for. My heart is just in pieces thinking about how much I could say about you. I adore you so much. Rest in peace Tiny  
❤️

August 22 at 7:09 PM



**Elaine Reese** lit a candle in honor of Anthony.

August 22 at 5:16 PM



**Gary Pickering** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

This picture was taken in June 1996 at the Olympic Team Trials for Track and Field in Atlanta, GA. Anthony attended the event with another Ooltewah High teammate, my parents, and I. He was an incredible athlete who excelled in the decathlon because he was so talented in different events! I was proud to have coached him.

Anthony worked hard at his school work too. It was a tremendous honor to see him earn a scholarship to the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and to run on the track team there. Family always came first for Anthony. I know he loved his son because I witnessed his love for his mother and father and siblings. I look forward to seeing him run those heavenly hurdles and sitting with him at the feet of Jesus. Coach Pick Gary Pickering, Retired Teacher

August 21 at 7:22 PM



**Wanda** lit a candle in honor of Anthony.

Anthony was a ray of sunshine. He was a joy to our family. I loved his smile and his giving heart. RIP Ant

August 21 at 6:21 PM





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**Christine Alexis** sent a virtual gift in honor of Anthony.

Anthony I remember the first day we met was at Best Buy. You had me laughing how you would save money in a crown royal bag. You told me that was your saving account smh. That moment on we talked like we was siblings. You was my big brother. Even after you left best buy I would still stay in touch with you because that's what family do. You would come and get plates from my house or my mama's. You will always be my family. I would never question God. But he knows when it's time to remove his angel off of Earth, because you have served you purpose here in this world. It was your time. You have left your mark. Your gone but never forgotten. I love you Big bro 🥺❤️!



August 21 at 8:32 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Thompson, family.



August 21 at 7:05 AM



**Suzy Hiett** posted:

I will never forget your big smile or the big bear hugs you would give me every time we saw each other. You were more than a coworker or a friend, you were my brother. I will always hold a special place in my heart for you, Tiny ❤️ Until we meet again, Rest In Peace.

August 20 at 3:51 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Thompson, family.



August 20 at 3:48 PM



**Keith Harris And Kisha Bledose- Body Weld Dojo** sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Thompson, family.



August 20 at 4:41 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Thompson, family.



August 19 at 9:49 AM



**Christy Hanson Sternesky** posted:

You're the first person to teach me how to throw a football, you always had a smile, you always supported your family and friends, you always lit up a room when you walked in. I am blessed to have known you. You will be missed dearly.

August 18 at 4:14 PM



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LI

**Lisa** posted:

12:35pm on a Friday....A time that will stick with me for the rest of my life. That was the last time we Facetimed and spoke. "Hey beautiful", "I feel OK", "This quarantine sucks"... some of the words you said. If I only had more time, if I hadn't been in a hurry on my lunch break, if I had just told you that I loved you back...I never got to tell you how much you meant to me and how your support in everything I do truly changed my life for the better. I never got to tell you how your hugs were the BEST medicine and how your smile made me feel that everything in our worlds were going to be alright. I never got to tell you that you were a true champion in my book and that the memories we made and shared were the best 5 years of my life. I would play the video of us at Disney World where you helped Cheyenne set up me meeting Mickey and hearing your voice say "Memories baby". I would play all the video footage for you of you commentating the volleyball matches that you taped while I coached. I am so selfish Anthony because I want you back for me, for all your friends, for your family, for all the people you have touched and loved. You had the most precious heart of anyone I have ever met and the most generous soul. As much as we ALL need you, now God needs you to work some of that magical happiness in Heaven that only you can bring! This world is truly losing beauty and perfection in you: a role model for young people, a hardworking man, some that is gorgeous both inside and out, and a loving person that is caring, compassionate, generous, selfless, and funny! Memories with AT are lifetime treasures and everyone that had the HONOR of being in your life in some form or fashion got the BIGGEST BLESSING! You are finally seeing your Mama again and will get to meet my Daddy like we talked about. Thank you for decorating my life the way that only Anthony Thompson can...Til we meet in Heaven I love you always and forever beyond death!!!

August 16 at 10:06 AM

AM

**Andrew Milton** August 21 at 10:10 PM

I was lucky enough to have known and worked with Anthony. Our encounters were always chocked full of light-hearted humor and comradery. I can't believe he's gone. When I found out, time stood still for a moment and the world was suddenly a little bit different to me. I'll always remember that great big smile that sat on top of one of the very few gentle giants I've ever known. I'll always remember you and I'll keep you and your family in my prayers for the rest of my days. May your spirit dwell eternally in nothing less than peace and comfort my friend. Rest in paradise. You've earned your reward.

LF

**Leigh Freeman** posted:

So glad I got the opportunity to meet you and spend some time with you. Your smile was intoxicating and your love for life was something to admire. Thanks for letting me win at Top Golf. Heaven just got a little brighter with you there.

August 18 at 6:04 AM



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CH

**Christina** lit a candle in honor of Anthony.

Love you bear ☐

August 18 at 5:33 AM



VB

**Veronica Bryan** posted:

I am so saddened by his passing. I only recently met Anthony and had the pleasure of working with him at Mazda Toyota in Huntsville but in the short time that I knew him I found him to a kind and jovial soul. God rest your soul.

August 17 at 6:38 PM

JB

**Jennifer Glover Boss** posted:

I am saddened to hear of Anthony's passing. He was had a gentle spirit and would give the shirt off his back to help in anyway he could. We met in high school and he was always had a smile I. His face. He was a magnificent athlete and a great friend! He will be missed greatly by all who knew and loved him! Jennifer Glover Boss

August 17 at 2:41 PM

VR

**Valerie Roessel** lit a candle in honor of Anthony.

August 17 at 11:06 AM



**VR Valerie Roessel** August 17 at 11:15 AM

You were my best friend and my family. I have so many great memories of us chillin at Mom's after school. My heart is broken and a piece of it will always be missing now. I love and miss you always. You was my brother and will always be my best friend. Rest In Peace my brother.



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RC

**Robin Charland** posted:

I was shocked and so very, very saddened at the news of Anthony's passing. Our family has known Anthony for about 5 years now. We met him through our daughters volleyball travel team. He was such a kind soul, a gentle giant. He always encouraged the girls and played with them at practices and teased them endlessly. I will miss his smile and his baritone voice. Please know that your brother was loved by a lot of people and this world is a little darker without his light.

August 17 at 9:28 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Thompson, family.



August 17 at 8:50 AM

TK

**Terry (Tk) Knecht** posted:

I had the privilege of knowing Anthony. I remember playing football and running track with him. Earl and I graduated together so Anthony was like a little brother who was a lot bigger than me. He had an infectious smile. I was in shock when I heard he had passed. I'm praying for the family! Terry Knecht

August 17 at 7:01 AM

AM

**Angie Millians** posted:

I first met Anthony when he was 17 years old and worked for me when I was a manager at Central Park! My boss would always want him to be the "pretty face" that would greet our customers because he was such a friendly, loving, kind and caring person, and sure would flirt with all the women and smile and "bat his eyes"! Everyone is so right, he was almost always smiling and could make me feel better any time we talked. I am so glad that we were still able to keep in touch after all these years. I will never forget him and will miss him dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with his brother and all of his family. Praying for peace and comfort

August 17 at 6:34 AM



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AT

**Adrianna Tapscott** lit a candle in honor of Anthony.

My heart is shattered into a million pieces! I met Anthony a few years ago. We would also go eat and watch movies. I was so happy when he told me that he was moving to Huntsville. Him and I were very close. We both decided to take the job at Mazda- Toyota. Every time he would see me he made his business to aggravate me. Anthony was such a caring and loving person. Our favorite place to meet at was Twin Peaks and Big Shakes Chicken & Fish. I miss him already!!



August 17 at 5:23 AM

CB

**Cala Bishop** posted:

I met anthony while working at my last job. And we became really good friends. He was so funny and his smile and laugh could light up the whole room. He had such a huge heart. He would do anything for anybody. He had such an amazing soul. He would do anything for to make somebody smile or laugh. And he was the person i knew I could always count on or talk to. He helped me get through a tough time i was going through last year. And he called and talked to me to check up on me and make sure I was okay. He was a great friend and he will defiently be missed. And my heart feels broken for his family. He was truely a amazing person. Rest easy and fly high my friend. You may be Gone but defiently not forgotten.

August 16 at 11:53 PM

GS

**Gina Phillips Smith** posted:

Anthony was such a special person. He was so kind to everyone. I met him in middle school band. I didn't have a lot of friends in that class, so I would often be sitting alone. Anthony would come sit with me and talk to me and make me laugh. He was always so sweet and caring. This breaks my heart. His family is in my thoughts and prayers.

August 16 at 5:22 PM



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IJ

**Iman Shelton-Jenkins** posted:

Hearing about Anthony's death has truly broke my heart. I have known Ant since my Middle School days and he was one of the first to befriend me. He became a younger Brother. We ended up attending UT after we graduated from High School. We spent time together in school on the track, off the track we were two peas in a pod. His Mom loved me like a Daughter. When his Mom passed me and his teammates from UT drove from Knoxville to Chattanooga to be there for him. He was always there for us. He had the most caring heart I have ever known. I will never forget his beautiful smile and bear hugs. To the Thompson Family, I love you all and keeping you all in my prayers! Love Iman Shelton-Jenkins

August 16 at 4:30 PM

MI

**Misty** posted:

When I heard this news, I could not believe it. My heart is so sad. He was such a beautiful person! His smile would light up the room! Such a sweet, loving man. He will be missed by many! So sad.. Thinking of his family for their loss ❤️

August 16 at 10:06 AM



## Media

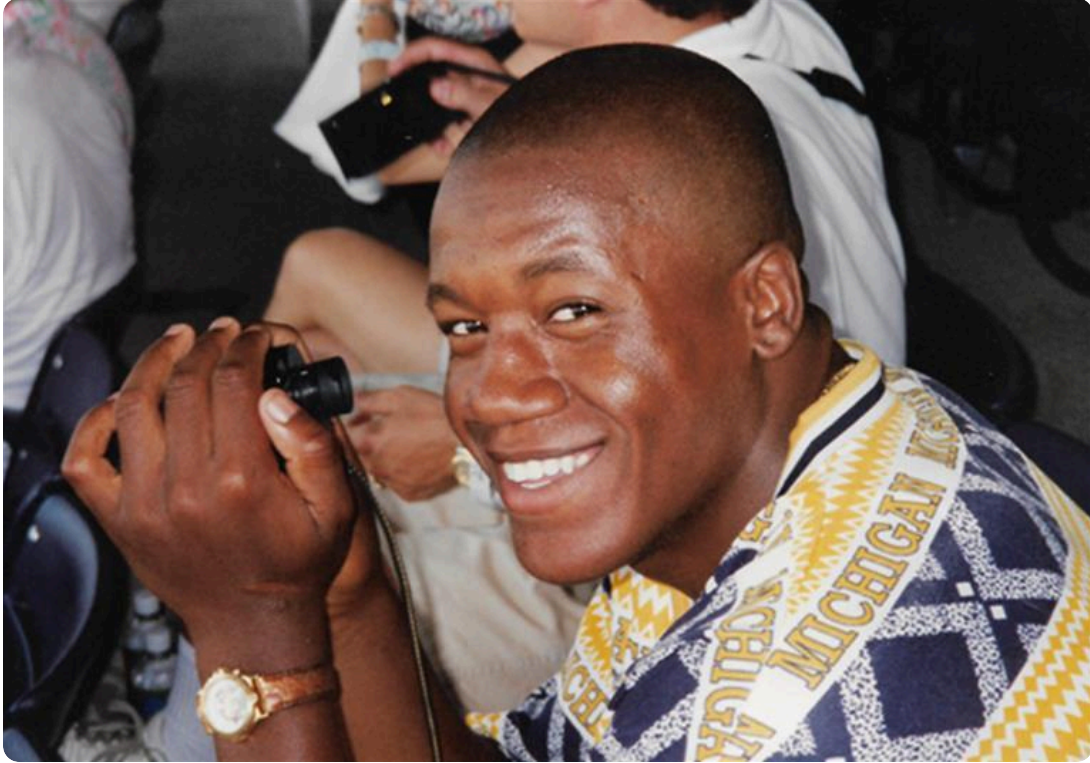
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