



Mr. Andrew Bryant Miller III

October 13, 1960 - December 30, 2018

Andrew Bryant “Drew” Miller, III, age 58, peacefully passed away on December 30, 2018, at Kennesaw Hospital after a year of declining health because of Diabetes. He was surrounded by his loving family, sister Andrea Miller, his Aunt Carol Wilkes, and several close friends. He will be remembered by many as a top caliber chef who inspired the next generation of culinary artists. Funeral services will be Saturday, January 5, at 2 PM at Banks Funeral Home Chapel. Reverend Ronnie Howell will officiate with Eulogies given by his sister Andrea, and friends Dave Paul and David Nguyen. Pallbearers are Ronnie Gilbert, Barry Brewton, David Davidson, Tom Jensen, Randy Schoen, David Nguyen and Dave Paul.

Drew was born October 13, 1960, in Macon, Georgia, to the late A. B. Miller, Jr. and Nellie Graham Miller, who survives. He lived his early education years in Macon and then the family of four, who had added Andrea to their midst, moved to Marietta where he finished his high school education. During his childhood, many weekend and weeklong visits were made to his father’s parents family farm in Worth County, GA (Ty Ty, GA, in the postal service!) He was greatly influenced by his grandparents, the late Bill and Pauline Wilkes. Grandpa Bill was a legendary hunter of all forms of wildlife which provided meat for many families. Drew learned to dress and cook deer, rabbits, birds, possum and more not mentioned here. He got a lot of his adventurous spirit from Grandpa Bill. But, perhaps his greatest influence was watching and helping Grandma Pauline prepare meals. She was the best cook he ever knew (please excuse him all you wonderful chefs!) She cooked with love for her family. Her deer roasts were so tender. Her peach and apple turnovers were perfection. Her fried chicken so crispy. Everything out of her small kitchen was YUM! The family also spent a lot of time with Nellie’s family, traveling once a month to Grandma Graham and Grandpa Grahams country home and farm in Brewton/East Dublin. There they met with Nellie’s brothers and sisters and their more than 35 first cousins. When Drew was a teenager, Bryant bought a cabin Lake Sinclair where they met for years. The cousins still meet for holiday celebrations and family reunions. They always love, laugh and have fun.

As a young man, Andrew took over. He was a graduate of Georgia College in Milledgeville, earning a Bachelor of Science in computer science and education. Then he

followed his love of cooking and started his career as Chef Andrew. He was an apprentice chef at the Capital City Club in Atlanta and studied at American Culinary Federation. He then became a garde-manger chef at the Hyatt Regency. He later moved on as a specialty chef for the acclaimed Nicolai's Roof where he became an accomplished ice carver and culinary artist. He was former Sous Chef at The Omni Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, VA.

Chef Andrew eventually shared his love of cooking with others by becoming an instructor at the Le Cordon Bleu Culinary Institute. He later moved to the program at Gwinnett Tech where he guided and inspired his students to many award-winning culinary presentations. During his career, Chef Andrew won several awards and medals, including Apprentice of the Year and later, Chef of the Year. Many of his students also won high honors and went on to lead very successful careers in the food business. He served on the board of the Atlanta Culinary Federation. A memorial service will be held at the Gwinnett Technical College in the Culinary Arts Department on Monday, January 14 for those who would like to attend.

Drew had a wide, beloved circle of friends, many lifelong, that he socialized with. He was already ready for adventure, a night on the town, a party or a trip out of town. He was a confidant and listener to anyone who approached him with whatever problem or the need for advice, whether it was career or personal. He was beloved and highly respected by many including his immediate family, extensive, extended family, and many, many colleagues and life-long, close friends. The many testimonies from former students, fellow Chefs, and close friends has touched the hearts of his extended family. Thank you for loving Drew.

He is survived by his mother Nellie Miller of Marietta, sister Andrea Miller of Terra Ceia, FL, niece Leah Sosnik of Greensboro, NC, Aunt Carol Wilkes of Byron, numerous cousins, and those whose lives he touched. Drew was preceded in death by his aunts and uncles from his mother's family, excluding Aunt Vergie Graham, who survives.

The family wishes a special thanks to Billy and Vickie Young for their Hospitality.

Cemetery

Events

Sumner Cemetery

161 Sumner Rd S
GA,

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Funeral Service

02:00PM

Banks Funeral Home

PO Box 550 210 N. Main Street, Sylvester, GA, US, 31791

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Burial

Sumner Cemetery

161 Sumner Rd S, GA, US

Comments



“ Lisa Rosenbaum lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Bryant Miller III



Lisa Rosenbaum - January 07 at 05:29 PM



“ Andrea, my heart goes out to you and your family at this difficult time. May you be comforted by the outpouring of love for Drew surrounding you and may your memories give you peace. Words are not enough but you know I am here for you. Heartfelt condolences, and may his memory be a blessing.

Lisa Rosenbaum - January 07 at 05:29 PM



“ I knew Andrew as Condomints, or Condo, through the Hash House Harrier group. I don't even remember how long ago it was, but he was like an icon. My fondest hashing memory was him being the "Pace Car" for the Peachtree group. He came to a hash that I hosted and my mom was at the end and he and my mom talked and talked about Milledgeville where my mom went to college, and all the places around there. She often asked me how "that nice Andrew" was. Last year, Condo asked me to go to a Food Festival with him. Since I only really knew him through hashing, I was amazed and so impressed with what he knew about the foods and wines and even more impressed by how many people seemed to excitedly recognize him and came over to talk to him, calling him "Chef". I had never been around him enough to see that side of him, and it made him that much more special to me. I will miss him terribly, but will hold onto those special memories. I pray God will hold Andrew's family in His loving arms and bring comfort from whatever memories they have, as well. Rest in Peace, Condo. Tell Rat's Ass I said hello.

Donna Richards - January 05 at 09:19 AM



“ Rest Peacefully Chef Miller, I'm lost on where to began but first my prayers and love are with your family, friends, and students (which I had the honor of being one)...Chef I sincerely thank you for being one of my greatest mentors, not only with my culinary career but with life overall. Everytime I stopped by your office you imparted something in me. I'll miss you more than you may ever know.. some students didn't

get your personality or teaching style, but that's because you wanted us to be the best inside and out. #

Iyhama "Chef Jewelz" Trawick - January 04 at 07:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Andrew Bryant Miller III.



January 04 at 12:17 PM



“ Our Condolences to Aunt Nellie and Andrea, Drew - We will miss you along with the many lives that you touched during your lifetime. We were very gratefully being able to catch up with you at different family functions.

Love,
Jimmy and Jeannie Graham

James H Graham II - January 04 at 09:51 AM



“ James H. purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mr. Andrew Bryant Miller III.



James H. - January 04 at 09:36 AM



“ Theresa Scarlotta-Gambino lit a candle in memory of Mr. Andrew Bryant Miller III



Theresa Scarlotta-Gambino - January 03 at 11:38 PM



“ Andrew,
We became close friends with your family through a great friendship between you and Randy. For many years, we spent time together celebrating holidays, picking vegetables and fruits, fishing and swimming at Lake Sinclair, before kids and during our children's youth. We even became neighbors at the lake thanks to you! For many years, we shared sunrises, meals, laughter, stories, sunsets, and campfires. Andrew, you will be dearly missed by all of our family and we will think of you often. We love you!
Randy, Liz, Ali and Chris Schoen

Liz and Randy Schoen - January 03 at 11:36 PM



“ I knew Condo for a long time. He was a very good friend. We had a lot of good time together. He was always very helpful and thoughtful, and always willing to help people out. He was a person of honesty, nice, friendly, and trustworthy. We had a lot of fun of going together to watching baseball games.
I lost a very good friend. I will miss him forever.
May he rest in peace.
Don Read

Don Read - January 03 at 08:06 PM



“ It is a rare man indeed that can only have good things said about him. I was fortunate to have spent much of my primary and secondary school with Drew as a classmate. Of special note is the time at River North Academy and Drew's infectious grin and love of life. I wish it were possible that I was able to attend the celebration of life being held.
Please accept my heartfelt condolences and know that Drew left wonderful memories with his love of life. In His Name...
Peace;
Tom Grovenstein

Thomas Grovenstein - January 03 at 06:54 PM



“ Pete Bancheri and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Andrew Bryant Miller.



Pete Bancheri and Family - January 03 at 01:39 PM



“ I knew Condo through hashing for close to 30 years. In early 2000, I moved to Greensboro NC, and it just so happened around the same time that Condo had taken a job at The Homestead Resort in Virginia. We were delighted to be his almost halfway stop, when he was travelling between The Homestead and Marietta. It was wonderful to have his sweet familiar face visit so often, and it felt like we were all back home in Atlanta when he came to stay the night. He was very polite to me when I cooked for him. <big grin> His frequent trips back to Marietta were always to check in on "mom & dad". He was an absolutely devoted son. He was a fabulous Chef, & mentor to many. I am honored to have called him friend. He will be sorely missed.

Sonya Cook - January 03 at 12:41 PM



“ Andrew was a very interesting and much loved member of the Hugh Graham Clan and will be missed and remembered by all of us. John & Linda

JOHN SCARBOROUGH - January 03 at 10:06 AM



“ Condo was a kind gentle soul that will be missed dearly. He never looked more comfortable than when he was in a kitchen with a knife or other culinary implement in his hand. We have lost a great friend, mentor, and Chef. On-On Condo and I will see you again.

Opie and Diane

David Davison - January 03 at 08:08 AM