

## Derek McKinley Adams

April 11, 1981 - August 15, 2018

### DEREK MCKINLEY ADAMS, AGE 37

Derek Adams was born on April 11th, 1981, being the first born out of the first set of triplets to be delivered at Riverside Medical Center in Franklinton, LA. He was a long time resident of Pine, LA. Sadly Derek passed away on Wednesday, August 15th 2018. He was a well-loved son, brother, uncle, cousin, nephew, and friend. He never met a stranger and was a very kind hearted person. He would give away all he had without a moment's thought if he knew someone needed it. Derek was a simple person in the best kind of way and liked simple things. His sense of humor was especially apparent as he always loved joking around and picking with his niece and nephews, even when they didn't want him to. Derek had a big heart and was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone he could. During his life he had become a very skilled construction tradesman and had a lot of experience with electrical and plumbing work, which is how he met many people that have come to call him friend. He also had a love of staying in shape by lifting weights his entire life. He had a love for football too which began during his years playing as a punter and quarterback while at Pine High School. Derek served in the United States Armed Forces for a total of 6 years. During which he was deployed overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. He also served with the Louisiana National Guard in response to Hurricane Katrina providing humanitarian efforts to the City of New Orleans and surrounding

parishes, for which he received the Louisiana War Cross as well as other numerous medals. Derek is loved and he will be truly missed by all...but never forgotten.

Survived by:

Mother: Sherrie B. Adams of Pine

Father and Step-mother: Jewell and Joann Adams of Pine

Brother and Sister in law: Patrick and Lisa Adams of Pine

3 Sisters and a Brother in law: Kristel Adams of Bogalusa  
Dara Adams of Pine,  
Andraea and Jason Spiers of Bogalusa

Step-sister and Brother in law: Anna and Ricky Taylor of Slidell and their children

Niece: Kelli Adams

Nephews: Evan Sinopoli, Ethan Sinopoli, Eric Sinopoli, James Adams, Justin Adams, Jayden Williams, Jaxson Spiers

Aunts and Uncles: Ann Green,  
Gail Brumfield,  
Pam and James Romano,  
Karen and Raymond Gerald,  
Faye Brumfield,  
Stacy and Mark Jenkins,

Byron and Pamela Brumfield,  
Mary Cothren,  
Cathalene and Lloyd Thomas,  
James A. Adams, Jr. and Audrey Adams,  
Louis Ed and Delores Adams

Great-uncles and Great-aunts: Dudley J. Adams,  
Wayne and Linda Brumfield,  
Ben and Myra Smith,  
Mike and Tonya Smith

Special Friend: Marcie Penny

Also numerous cousins and many dear friends.

He was preceded in death by grandparents James Alfred Adams, Sr. and Eunice Adams, Elgin McKinley and Mary Brumfield, uncle Bobby J. Adams and cousin Bobby Brumfield.

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Tuesday August 21st from 10 am until 12 pm. A funeral service will be held in the funeral home chapel at 12 pm Tuesday with Rev. Frederick Brumfield and Eld. Darrin Uzell officiating. Burial will follow in the Harmony Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Evan Sinopoli, Justin Adams, James Adams, Richard Green, Jonathan Gerald, Tim Thomas

Honorary Pallbearers are his uncles Jimmy Adams and Ed Adams, cousin Doug Freeman, nephew Ethan Sinopoli, cousin Eddie Adams

Obituaries can be viewed online at [www.crainfh.com](http://www.crainfh.com)

# Tribute Wall

RA

“ You were my buddy and like a brother to me. We had great memories and times! Never a dull moment! It was all laughs and smiles brother! You would go far and beyond to help someone out and always help with anything you could and never expect nothing in return. You were such a great man. That’s why you will be missed by so many. You lightened up many people’s life’s with your humor and personality. My family and I will miss you. Till we meet again. Rest In Peace Derek.

Ramos - August 21, 2018 at 11:12 PM

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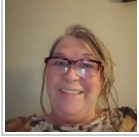
“ Sherrie.. the loss of a child is so hard to conceive and my heart aches for you. I pray that you, Krystal, Patrick, Dara, and Andraea can get through this difficult time by remembering all of the good times with Derek. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.



Rest In Peace, Derek. You will be greatly missed by all your family, friends, and loved ones. We know that you are out of pain now and have gone to be with the Lord. You will be met with open arms by your Grandpa Elgin, Grandma Mary, and Cousin Bobby who have already gone to their heavenly home.

We love you all very much,  
Aunt Pam and Uncle Jimmy Romano

Pam Romano - August 20, 2018 at 08:47 PM



“ *Jewel....my heart definitely goes out to you. I never met your children but I know you and I know you did an awesome job. Love you my friend....you and your family are in my prayers...Alice Jarrell Ison*

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**Alice Ison** - August 20, 2018 at 07:01 PM

SW

“ *Sherry, my heart goes out to you. There is no loss like that of a child. I know the kids, especially Pat and Dara will have a tough time with this. You did an amazing job with them. Prayers for all of you .....*



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**Sally Edwards White** - August 20, 2018 at 06:45 PM

PP

“ *Derek was always very kind and helpful when I was around him. I am so sorry for your loss.*

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**Peggy Prince** - August 20, 2018 at 05:04 PM

GB

“ *Such a sweet sweet nephew, you will be missed & I feel so blessed to have known you. God bless this family as Derek has been called home. He will be missed by all his family, friends & love ones. Love Aunt Gail Brumfield*

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**Gail Brumfield** - August 20, 2018 at 11:30 AM

BB

“ *Sherrie & Family.....  
So Sorry for your Loss.  
You will remain in My Thoughts and Prayers.*

*Brian Bennett*

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**Brian Bennett** - August 20, 2018 at 10:07 AM