



## Derek Pullin

July 29, 1958 - April 9, 2025

Derek Lee Pullin was born July 29, 1958, to the late Ralph and Tillie Lee Pullin in Griffin, GA. He was one of eight children Mary Elizabeth, Ralph Jr, Larry, Melvin, and Dianne, all preceded him in death. Derek was a member of Shiloh Baptist Church in McDonough, GA, this is where he gave his life to Christ at a young age. He believed that Jesus died on the cross for our sins and he should give him all the honor and glory.

Derek known to everyone as "Butch" was raised in McDonough, GA and graduated from Henry County High School. He was an excellent football player, and the football field was his second home. He loved the game with all his heart and never missed a game on Sunday. He was a season ticket holder for the Atlanta Falcons and the tailgate king. He never met a stranger and loved to laugh and have fun. Everyone knew if he was having an event you were going to enjoy yourself.

Derek enlisted in the United States Army after graduating high school in 1976. He was deployed to Frankfurt, Germany where he lived for 3 years. After his tour of duty, he returned to the United States and was stationed in Kentucky. During his time in the military, he acquired education and training to become a Power Generation and Wheel Vehicle Mechanic. Derek received from the United States Army an honorable discharge in 1980.

Derek worked for Beam Oil after the military as a truck driver and then in 1985 he opened a restaurant/Club "Mr. Dee's" in McDonough, GA here you could find good food and a good time. He retired and thought he could sit still but he went back to work for the Henry County School System as the Head Custodian of McDonough Middle School and retired in 2020 after 20 years of service.

On Wednesday, April 9, 2025, GOD called his son home. He leaves to mourn his passing children, Korenda Williams (Gofareo); step-children, Aretha Lymon, Reneisha Stegall, Jacques Boles, Rodzerius Boles. Grandchildren, Titus Williams, Raven Duffy, Tee-Tee Duffy, Amber Turner, Ashley Holly, Dejon Lymon, GiHann Lymon, Stacie Boles, Jahmal Moore Jr, Kailani Ward, Mekhi Boles. Sisters: Anita Watkins, Sandrae Spencer (Michael), sister/niece Velma Pullin, close friends Elaine Pullin, Regina Hill, and James Cleveland, and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR **26**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Shiloh Baptist Church - McDonough

262 Macon St.

McDonough, GA 30253

(770) 957-2344

<http://www.shilohmcdonough.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Video Tribute*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - April 28, 2025 at 12:46 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Program*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - April 26, 2025 at 12:40 PM



“ *Prayers are with the family never forgotten,  
but gone to soon*



Marcia Wyatt - April 26, 2025 at 11:22 AM

DW

“ *Deborah Williams lit a candle in memory of Derek Pullin*



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**Deborah Williams** - April 25, 2025 at 07:55 PM

SS

“ *To my dear sweet brother I thought we would grow old together but GOD had other plans. I will love you forever and ever. I know you are at peace because you are with Mama and Daddy. Even though I am the baby of the family to our parents you were their baby and I did not mine because they had enough love for all of us. I love you and rest in peace until we meet again. Your Baby Sister Sandrae(Nay-Nay)*

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**Sandrae Spencer** - April 23, 2025 at 10:38 PM

GJ

“ *G. Jones lit a candle in memory of Derek Pullin*



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**G. Jones** - April 23, 2025 at 12:26 PM

GJ

“ *My Thoughts and Prayers are with the Pullin Family. Whenever, Uncle Butch was around, I knew that I was going to be having big fun and lots of laughter. You will be "truly" missed Uncle Butch. May God continue to strengthen the family in keep you all in Perfect Peace.*

*I love you Pullin Family, Glynis and Family*

G. Jones - April 23, 2025 at 12:25 PM

EP

“ *My Love you will forever be In heart* ❤️👉❤️



Elaine Pullin - April 22, 2025 at 07:39 PM

NA

“ *Nonia Amis lit a candle in memory of Derek Pullin*



Nonia Amis - April 12, 2025 at 09:30 PM

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*Prayers goes out to the pullin family, so sorry to hear of the passing 🙏 of Butch, asking God to give you strength to endure*

Nonia Amis - April 12, 2025 at 09:32 PM