



Eric Robert Osborne

October 3, 1982 - December 14, 2017

Eric Robert Osborne, 35, of Manassas, Virginia left this life on Thursday, December 14, 2017. A memorial service in his honor will be held in the spring with family and friends in Michigan City, Indiana, where he grew up.

Eric was born October 3, 1982 in Michigan City to Thomas and Tonia (Poole) Osborne. Surviving are: father, Thomas (Kate) Osborne of Chico, CA; mother, Tonia Osborne of Pueblo, CO; brothers, Ian (Cherish) Osborne and Sean Collier and sister Heather (Ben) Hillman. Also surviving are nephews Sol Oswrenn, Ashton Collier, and Fischer Hillman with nieces Madison Hillman and Olivia Hillman. His grandmother Joann Osborne survives along with many loving aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by brother Donae Collier; grandfathers Robert Osborne, James Poole and Francis Cox. Also, grandmothers Barbara Ratliffe and Mary Jane Cox.

Eric graduated from UTI (car mechanic training) shortly after high school then later graduated from the Denver School of Massage Therapy where his interest in medicine gave way to his career in the Army.

In 2007 Eric joined the Army where after initial training he was assigned the 82nd Airborne Unit as a paramedic in Iraq. After he received his nursing degree he served in Korea and Afghanistan. Sgt. Eric Osborne's awards include: Afghanistan Campaign Medal with 2 campaign stars, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Meritorious Unit Accommodation, Army Good Conduct Medal (3), the National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal with campaign star, NATO Medal, Combat Medical Badge and Parachutist Badge.

He was a loyal brother in arms who was smart, kind, caring, brave and could make you laugh. He was a Cubs and Bears fan extraordinaire. He lived life to the fullest and was admired and loved by all who knew him.

Please send donations in his honor to The Fisher House Foundation which furnishes housing for families of wounded warriors or The Wounded Warrior Project.

Tribute Wall

BM

“ I'm so sorry to hear about his passing! I know this is very late, but I just wanted to share this with you..I worked with him in Pueblo & enjoyed every day of it! He lit up the place & there was never a dull moment! He was an awesome man! I know time has passed but my heart breaks for you!

Bryan Marsh - February 24, 2020 at 10:47 AM



Heather Marie

Thank you Bryan. I never get on FB anymore, but when I did today this showed up, and put a smile on my face. - Heather Hillmann, Eric's sister

Heather Marie - April 28, 2020 at 10:24 PM

SP

“ Sending my condolences to Eric's family at this difficult time. May the memories grant you all peace. To Tom and Toni, stay strong and know that Eric set a fine example for many others in his life.

Steven Poole - December 20, 2017 at 11:48 AM

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Thank you Steve

Tonia - December 20, 2017 at 02:37 PM

JB

He was a wonderful man who touched many lives. I am proud and thankful for his service to our country. I send my love to his family and friends.

Judy Barnes - December 20, 2017 at 07:57 PM



My condolences to the family and friends of Eric! It was an absolute honor to work with you at Walter Reed. God Speed and may you rest in peace.

Tammy Phipps - December 20, 2017 at 09:50 PM

JS

Eric was such a special person. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. He will be missed by many because he was loved by many. I am honored to be able to call him my friend.

janice simmons - December 20, 2017 at 10:13 PM