



## Eric Ontiveroz

February 16, 1978 - June 27, 2024

Eric Ontiveroz aka “Beaner” passed away on June 27, 2024, at the age of 46, in Tyler, Texas, surrounded by his loved ones. His battle of serious medical issues in recent years showed his courage in facing life challenges with a smile. Despite all the pain, Eric stayed strong until the end.

He was born February 16, 1978, in Lubbock, Texas to Tomas Tristan Ontiveroz and Esmeralda Gomez Ontiveroz. After graduating high school from Palestine Westwood, Eric moved to Tyler to attend Tyler Junior College and received his Associate’s Degree. He was employed by Walmart.

Eric loved spending time with his friends whether it was shooting pool, golfing, playing fantasy football, or eating some good and spicy crawfish. He enjoyed his time with his family celebrating birthdays, graduations, holidays, weekend dinners and watching the Dallas Cowboys and college football. Although Eric didn’t have any children of his own, he loved and was so proud of his niece, Sydney, as if she was his own. He even turned his loyalty of burnt orange to Crimson and Cream when she attended the University of Oklahoma. Eric looked forward to the times he got to babysit his fur nephew and niece, Jake and Lucy. He cherished every moment with them all.

He had an uncanny ability to make others feel loved by his smile, hugs, silliness, and kindness and he will be missed by all who knew him.

Eric is survived by his mother, Esmeralda Ontiveroz of Tyler; his sister, Yvette Brunette and her husband Hardy of Tyler; a loving niece, Sydney Brunette of Dallas; and many, many, many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Eric was predeceased by his father, Tomas Tristan Ontiveroz, paternal and maternal grandparents, uncles, aunt, and a cousin.

Family, friends, and others whose lives Eric touched are invited to a Rosary followed by a visitation that is scheduled from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 1, 2024, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler. A Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with the Very Reverend Hank Lanik officiating. Burial will follow at Cathedral in the Pines in Tyler under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the American Cancer Society (<https://donate.cancer.org>) or the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception of Tyler (<https://thecathedral.info>) in his memory.

Eric's light will forever shine in our hearts, and his legacy of love, laughter, and his smile will continue to inspire us all.

# Cemetery Details

## Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery

7825 South Broadway Avenue  
Tyler, TX 75703

# Previous Events

## Rosary Followed By Visitation

JUL 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Requiem Mass

JUL 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception  
423 S. Broadway  
Tyler, TX 75702

# Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eric Ontiveroz



Stewart Family Funeral Home - June 29, 2024 at 10:06 PM

YB

*Eric, you always brought joy to all the gomez family especially with your Laughter kindness and strength and all that Love you had made everyone feel special. You will be missed Dearly. Rest in eternal peace.*



Yvonne boneta - June 29, 2024 at 10:51 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



July 01, 2024 at 02:54 PM

TF

“ *The O’Neal and Trobough Families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.*



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**The O’Neal and Trobough Families** - July 01, 2024 at 02:43 PM

TC

“ *The Ross Breast Center planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Ontiveroz.*

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**The Ross Breast Center** - July 01, 2024 at 12:44 PM

TC

“ *The Ross Breast Center purchased the A Full Life for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.*



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**The Ross Breast Center** - July 01, 2024 at 12:44 PM

CL

“ I met Eric and parents when my son was in soccer together. Eric was a great roll model then too.  
I took Holy Communion to his dad, Tommy, when he was suffering from his illness and then his death. Tommy was always so positive and upbeat too. The apple didn't fall far from the tree.  
I lost touch with Eric when he left for college but sounds like he was a wonderful person.  
I'm still friends with his mom Esmerelda and will have Masses celebrated for her to find peace again, and for Eric.  
Cindy Landrum  
Palestine, Texas

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**Cynthia Landrum** - July 01, 2024 at 12:32 PM

JT

“ Juan ontiberoz family Lubbock Texas purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



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**Juan ontiberoz family Lubbock Texas** - July 01, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



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July 01, 2024 at 11:06 AM

DE

“ Dioselina, Chris & Elizet planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Ontiveroz.

Dioselina, Chris & Elizet - July 01, 2024 at 11:06 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - July 01, 2024 at 09:23 AM

BW

“ Bob and Barb Winans planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Ontiveroz.

Bob and Barb Winans - June 29, 2024 at 08:09 PM



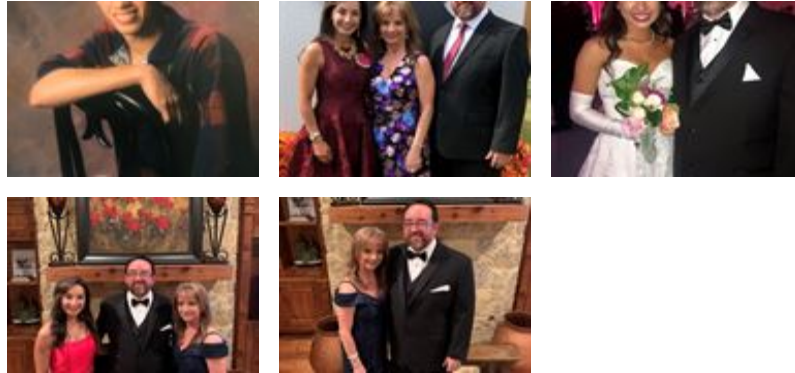
“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



June 29, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ 83 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - June 29, 2024 at 05:35 PM

RC

“ Robert, Patricia Warnock and cousins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Ontiveroz.

Robert, Patricia Warnock and cousins - June 29, 2024 at 02:20 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



June 29, 2024 at 02:20 PM

MC

“ Moody and Natali Chisholm purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



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**Moody and Natali Chisholm** - June 29, 2024 at 11:41 AM

KP

“ Kim P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Ontiveroz.

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**Kim P.** - June 28, 2024 at 05:04 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.



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June 28, 2024 at 05:04 PM

KL

“ Karl and Glenda Lindekugel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eric Ontiveroz.

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**Karl and Glenda Lindekugel** - June 28, 2024 at 02:31 PM

KL

“ *Karl and Glenda Lindekugel purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.*



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**Karl and Glenda Lindekugel** - June 28, 2024 at 02:31 PM

JK

“ *I'm so very sorry to hear of Eric's passing. My prayers are with his family.*

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**Jerri lynn kimbrell** - June 28, 2024 at 12:14 PM

TF

“ *The Shelby Bell family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Eric Ontiveroz.*



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**The Shelby Bell family** - June 28, 2024 at 09:57 AM

YB

“ *Eric. May your Laughter, Love, Kindness and Strength Live on Forever. You be missed Dearly Nephew. Rest in Peace*



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**Yvonne boneta** - June 27, 2024 at 09:07 PM

YB

*Eric. May your Laughter, Love, Kindness and Strength Live on Forever.  
You will be Missed Dearly Nephew. Rest in Peace ❤️*

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**Yvonne boneta** - June 27, 2024 at 09:10 PM

JG

“ *Eric*

*You always brought a smile to my face when I saw you and lots of laughs we had from playing baseball, Nintendo, to all the great holidays we shared together.*

*Thank you for everything.*

*I LOVE you nephew and you will live in my heart forever.*

*My deepest condolences to the family.*

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**James V Gomez** - June 27, 2024 at 08:45 PM