



Mr. Houston Randolph

August 12, 1964 - September 29, 2025

Houston H. Randolph III, also known as “Cookie” or “Randolph”, was born on August 12, 1964 in Jamaica Queens, New York to the late Houston Randolph II and Ruby Harris Randolph. He transitioned peacefully at home on September 29, 2025 at 5:00pm, surrounded by his loving wife Tia, his caring stepson Andrew, and his closest friend, Brent. Houston was raised in Oak City, NC and attended Roanoke High School as a member of the graduating class of 1982. Upon graduation, he joined the United States Army as a Logistician for the first four years of service. Later, he reclassified into the elite Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Corps and became and NBC Sergeant (Noncommissioned Officer) for the next five years, a job which led him to assignments in Kansas (Fort Riley), Germany (Grafenwöhr), and ultimately, 7000 miles away in Saudi Arabia to fight in Operation DESERT STORM. After surviving a combat tour and serving distinction for nine years, Houston decided to separate from the Army, attend Pitt Community College, and start a new career as a ECU Health Police Officer, a profession that he would dedicate the next 26 years of his life.

Houston was preceded in death by his grandmother, Mrs. Juliette Harris, his father, Houston Randolph, II and his

brother, Michael Cross.

Randolph "Cookie" leaves to cherish his memories wife, Tia St. John and stepson, Andrew Gregg of Winterville, NC; his mother, Ruby "Rose" Randolph of Williamston, NC; two brothers, Reginald Randolph of Jamaica Queens, NY and Jeffrey Cross of Williamston, NC; two cousins, Eugene and Stacey Martin raised with him in Oak City; his three nephews, Ty Cross of Greenville, NC, Kyle Randolph of Stratford, CT, Tyler Randolph of Jamaica Queens, NY; aunts, Ollie Harris and Ruth Harris Esteves of Bronx, NY; a host of cousins from Maine to California, loving friends, and extended family.

Cemetery Details

Council Cemetery

14777 NC Hwy. 11
Bethel, NC 27812

Previous Events

Viewing/Visitation

OCT 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Winterville Baptist Church
2593 Church Street
Winterville, NC 28590

Celebration of Life Service

OCT 5. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

ES

“ *Condolences to the family.* ”



Evelyn Scott - October 08, 2025 at 08:20 PM

JV

“ *I was the Secretary of the BLET at PCC when he came thru. A fine person and student. Prayers for his family.* ”

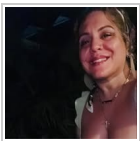
jody venters - October 05, 2025 at 05:19 PM

NR

“ *Nancy Roberson-Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph* ”



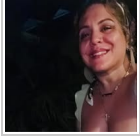
Nancy Roberson-Thomas - October 05, 2025 at 11:48 AM



“ *Anna Hromyak lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph* ”



Anna Hromyak - October 05, 2025 at 10:29 AM



“ Rest in Peace to my dear friend Randolph, memory eternal. I enjoyed all of our conversations of life, love, and especially football together. Until we meet again my friend. 🙏❤️🙏

Anna Hromyak - October 05, 2025 at 10:29 AM



“ Rest in peace 🙏
Bridget Highsmith

Bridgetfrmn@gmail.com - October 04, 2025 at 04:58 PM



“ Tyrone And Denise Roberson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph



Tyrone and Denise Roberson - October 03, 2025 at 08:32 PM



“ Antionette Andrews Wheeler & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph



Antionette Andrews Wheeler & Family - October 03, 2025 at 04:00 PM



“ Sending My Condolences To Stacey & Eugene 🙏 My Prayers Are With You And Your Family!

Cathy Dolberry - October 03, 2025 at 03:11 AM

KL

“ *Katrina Latham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Katrina Latham - October 02, 2025 at 08:13 PM

RH

“ *Robert Potter Worked With Him lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Robert Potter worked with him - October 02, 2025 at 07:46 PM

MS

“ *Michael Purvis Sr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Michael Purvis Sr. - October 02, 2025 at 06:01 PM

SR

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I'm sure he's an angel flying high, but not too high to watch over you until you meet again.*



Sarah Roy - October 02, 2025 at 04:30 PM



“ *Pattie Warren lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Pattie Warren - October 02, 2025 at 12:17 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. You fought a good fight and now it's time to take your rest friend.*

Juana Short

Juana Short - October 02, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ *Cecily Sene lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Cecily Sene - October 01, 2025 at 10:18 PM



“ *Cecily Sene lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Cecily Sene - October 01, 2025 at 10:12 PM

TB

“ *Mr Randolph you will be so missed. It always brightened my day to see you. Rest easy dear friend. Until we see you again. ~Tricia & Scott Hunnings*

Tricia Blevins - October 01, 2025 at 09:38 PM

SD

“ *I always enjoyed conversations with Mr.Randolph at BWW. Rest in peace sir!*

Scott H. Duke - October 01, 2025 at 09:30 PM

KR

“ *Randolph and I served in the same unit in Graf, Germany. He was a good Soldier and leader, Condolences from the Reid family.*

Kelly P Reid - October 01, 2025 at 07:40 PM

MM

“ *My Condolences to the family, sorry for your loss.*

Michael Matthewson



Michael Matthewson - October 01, 2025 at 06:09 PM

AT

Praying for the family during this time of great loss, Houston was a great friend and he will be truly missed

Andre Thompson - October 02, 2025 at 06:00 PM

PD

“ *Peggy Daniels lit a candle in memory of Mr. Houston Randolph*



Peggy Daniels - October 01, 2025 at 03:04 PM

EH

“ *My Condolences And Prayers Are With The Family 🙏*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - October 01, 2025 at 08:56 AM

SJ

“ *Please accept my most heartfelt prayers of comfort, strength and condolences*

Shawn Johnson - October 01, 2025 at 08:54 AM



“ *Randolph stood as tall as life . He played a big part a Vidant Medical Center. He stood on business. I always enjoyed talking with him .
My heart was pleased when I saw the Picture of him I Bible study.
Salute my Brother and Rest Easy . Ray Daughtry*

Ray Daughtry - October 01, 2025 at 08:29 AM

SC

“ Randolph was the brother I never had. He would try to keep me grounded in a work environment where politics outweighed common sense. He would say "Sales, just do your 12 and go home." He always had my back, and I had his. I miss you so much already. Love you Randolph.

Suzanne C. Creech - September 30, 2025 at 10:06 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolences on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - September 30, 2025 at 05:39 PM

ES

“ This one hits hard. Randolph was a man that never shied from speaking his mind. He always treated everyone with the utmost respect. We shared some deep personal conversations at times just like real brothers. He and I were diehard NC State Wolfpack fans. Take your rest my friend. You will be missed. My sincere condolences to his entire family and all that called him family. 10-42 Big Dolph.
Former LT. E.L. Simmons

Edward L. Simmons - September 30, 2025 at 03:59 PM

BP

Wow! This is so hard. From our hometown, Sterling Pointe, to sitting in my chair every other Saturday at 1030a.m. now no more you. I You were one of the toughest men I've ever known that was. going through the most but would work every day if you could. I will miss you tremendously. My sincerest condolences to his wife and family.
LLRANDOLPH

Bonita Phillips - September 30, 2025 at 05:49 PM

SC

He loved you Lt.

Suzanne C. Creech - September 30, 2025 at 10:07 PM

MS

Please accept my most heartfelt prayers of comfort, strength and condolences to his family. He always treated everyone with the utmost respect. We shared some deep personal conversations and years of laughter when we worked together. Randolph used to always tell me trouble don't last always the sun will rise and shine again. Rest in peace my forever friend!!! 🙏🙏🙏

Michelle Staton - October 02, 2025 at 05:58 PM

WM

My condolence to Tia, Andrew, Ms. Rose, Eugene and Stacey. May God strengthen you in the days and months ahead. Rest in peace Cookie...💕🙏

William Martin - October 09, 2025 at 10:24 PM