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Announcement of the passing of a Brother to Chapter Eternal



Jimmie Eric Villines

ΘK 423

August 29, 1971 - February 28, 2016



Theta Kappa Brother Jimmie "Eric" Villines (OK 423), age 44 of Atlanta, GA, passed to Chapter Eternal on Sunday, February 28, 2016 in Atlanta after battling Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD). At the time of his passing he was surrounded by his wife and family. He devoted his heart to his wife, Claire Duplantier Villines, and their young son, Eric Martin Villines. Words can't adequately describe Eric as a husband, father, son and friend – he touched everyone with his smile, generosity and inclusive attitude. As Eric's final days neared, family and friends traveled from near and far to be with him day and night – cracking jokes, shedding tears and encouraging him to be strong. Eric left his mark on all of our hearts and he will always be loved. Please honor and celebrate Eric's life on Friday, March 4, 2016 at 10:30 am at the Cathedral of Christ the King, 2699 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30305 for a Mass and reception. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating via check or online to the Cathedral of Christ the King's Rainbows Program in recognition of the couple's 20-month-old son. Rainbows, a nationwide program, provides a peer support group for school-aged children who have suffered significant loss or trauma.

He and his family received great support from the Sigma Nu community during this difficult period, which was greatly appreciated. We first received the sad news just a few weeks ago about his diagnosis of CJD, an extremely rare, degenerative, invariably fatal brain disorder. Sigma Nu rapidly spread the news and responded in kind. Unfortunately there is no protocol in Sigma Nu for this, so we did the best we could. On behalf of Sigma Nu Fraternity, we extend our greatest sorrow and condolences on Eric's passing – he will always live in our hearts and prayers. May the love of family, friends, and his fraternity brothers carry all through their grief – god speed to those in mourning, but especially to Claire, Eric (Jr.), and the families. We offer our deepest sympathy and extend three white roses, a symbol of our fraternity, to the family and friends – one from the collegiate chapter, one from the alumni chapter, and one from his brothers he was in the Chapter with. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Villines family.

If you have questions please contact Sean Harrison (512-705-1426) or Eric Poole (404-201-3055). Again, our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Villines family.

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