



Mr. Edward Butler Reed

December 25, 1972 - March 28, 2026

Edward was born on Dec. 25, 1972, the son of Carlee Reed and Edward T. Cole. He was a 1991 graduate of Natchez High School and furthered his education at Jackson State University, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees. He was employed with the Jefferson County School District and was a member of Zion Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church. In his spare time, he enjoyed reading, hunting, and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his fathers, Edward T. Cole and Larry Reed.

Edward leaves to cherish his memories: mother, Carlee Reed; daughter, Lela Reed; brother, Michael A. Reed (Luri); sisters, Chinitta Smothers and Tamera Cole; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Reed Family Cemetery

Cloverhill Road
Natchez, MS 39120

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (CT)

West Gate Funeral Home (Natchez)
409 N Martin Luther King Jr Street
Natchez, MS 39120
(601) 445-2008
james@westgatefh.com
<https://westgatefuneralhome.com>

Graveside

APR 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

Reed Family Cemetery
Cloverhill Road
Natchez, MS 39120

Burial

APR 2 (CT)

Reed Family Cemetery
Cloverhill Road
Natchez, MS 39120

Tribute Wall

SM

“ Shirley Mazique sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed



Shirley Mazique - April 06 at 03:55 PM

ME

“ Edward was such a sweet, funny, carrying man. He will be missed terribly. Condolences to the family. I am so so sorry. Michelle Evans

Michelle Evans - April 05 at 11:54 AM

DM

“ Deepest Condolences to the family. Mr. Reed was such a loving, caring, patient Principal.



Deedra Madison - April 03 at 11:25 PM

MR

“ Maxine Railey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed



Maxine Railey - April 03 at 02:14 AM

JT

“ *Joyce Tenner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Joyce Tenner - April 02 at 11:12 AM

ES

“ *Ericka Johnson Stampley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Ericka Johnson Stampley - April 02 at 09:19 AM

TG

“ *I am truly saddened to hear of Edward's passing. He was a kind, humorous, and amazing individual. May the God of all comfort wrap HIS loving arms around his family, friends, co-workers, and students - you are in my prayers.*



Treenecia (Williams) Garraway - Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Treenecia Garraway - April 02 at 04:50 AM

MR

“ *Maxine Railey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Maxine Railey - April 02 at 02:41 AM

DM

“ *Debbie Myles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Debbie Myles - April 01 at 05:58 PM

LF

“ *Larry Jr. & Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mr. Edward Butler Reed.*



Larry Jr. & Family - April 01 at 03:42 PM

JT

“ *Jada Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Jada Thomas - April 01 at 02:50 PM

DA

“ *Sending love and prayers to the family. I teach Lela at the Mississippi School of the Arts, and I am holding her and all who loved Mr. Reed in my thoughts. It's clear he had an impact on many.*

—*Dr. Alexis*

Dr. Alexis - April 01 at 01:59 PM

DD

“ Dorothy Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed



Dorothy Davis - April 01 at 12:25 PM

TS

“ Rest Well, Dear Cousin Edward. Job well done. We will always cherish the memories of our recent visit. To Cousin Carlee, Michael, and the rest of our family, we send Love and Prayers for Peace. Tracey and Leslye 🙏❤️



Tracey Sanders - April 01 at 12:03 PM

DM

“ Doris Malone lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed



Doris Malone - April 01 at 10:26 AM

LF

“ May memories help the family through this difficult time. Ed was a wonderful administrator who researched, asked questions, networked and did what was necessary for student success. I first had the opportunity to work with him when I was a teacher and he was an administrator. He was visible and communicated well with students, parents and staff. Later when I became an administrator we continued to share educational strategies. No matter what, we often found time to share some fishing stories, compared ASU to JSU, and just laughed. Thanks for our fun conversations Ed. Love Lorraine Fleming-Franklin

Lorraine F. Franklin - April 01 at 01:26 AM

BF

“ My deepest sympathy to the Reed family ❤️🙏!

Bessie Jenkins and family - March 31 at 09:53 PM

JK

“ Thank you for your service and dedication to our youth,,, you will be missed by many.. THEE we love and THEE we are JSU forever.. rest well Mr. Reed One love



Jessica King-Green - March 31 at 09:42 PM

DB

“ Dornedia B. Brown lit a candle.



Dornedia B. Brown - March 31 at 08:44 PM

ED

“ Elizabeth Dunham lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Edward Butler Reed



Elizabeth Dunham - March 31 at 08:25 PM

AE

“ Artimese .G. Evans lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Edward Butler Reed



Artimese .G. Evans - March 31 at 08:04 PM

BJ

“ My condolences to the family.
Brenda Jarvis



Brenda Jarvis - March 31 at 07:22 PM

BW

“ Barbara Winston lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Edward Butler Reed



Barbara Winston - March 31 at 01:14 PM

MJ

“ *Ms Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Ms Jackson - March 30 at 11:55 PM

DR

“ *Doris Rice lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Doris Rice - March 30 at 11:49 PM

CJ

“ *Christine S Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Christine S Johnson - March 30 at 10:39 PM

MA

“ *Marilyn Alexander-Turner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



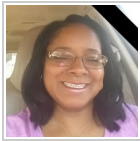
Marilyn Alexander-Turner - March 30 at 09:36 PM

BE

“ *Barbara Evans sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



Barbara Evans - March 30 at 02:45 PM



“ *Reed was definitely a pillar of the community. He kept the kids in line. He will be greatly missed. When I first moved to Natchez, he used to drive me around and show me the good things Natchez had to offer including garlic sausage. I was in hog heaven and still love them to this day.*

Sonia Jenkins - March 30 at 02:30 PM

ZA

“ *Condolences to his family. He was very proud of his daughter, brother, and he loved his mom and daughter fiercely and without complaints of their needs. To Cleve Moore I extend condolences as well . The JSU boys! He could tell you alot about Ducks ULTD, HUNTING, and school law. Take your rest Principal Reed your assignment is finished.*



Zelda Argue - March 30 at 01:12 PM

WH

“ *West Gate Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edward Butler Reed*



West Gate Funeral Home - March 30 at 01:05 PM

YB

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr Edward Bulter Reed REST IN PEACE*



Yvonne Blanton - March 30 at 11:15 AM

LM

“ *My sincere most deepest condolences to the family praying for you and to you.*



LaDonna Moore - March 30 at 02:06 AM

NR

“ *My God, this hurts. Sending up prayers for everyone who knew and loved Edward. Love never ends.*



Nita Robinson - March 29 at 06:15 PM