



Derick D. Sandifer

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Derick D. Sandifer, 52, of Graham, Washington, passed away peacefully on September 9, 2025. Born in Macon, Georgia, on May 5, 1973, Derick lived a life marked by service, dedication, and quiet strength.

A proud veteran, Derick retired from the United States Army and the National Guard after an honorable career that took him to many theaters around the world. His commitment to his country and fellow service members was unwavering, and he carried the values of discipline, loyalty, and courage into every aspect of his life.

Following his military service, Derick transitioned into civilian life as a warehouse manager for a logistics firm, where he continued to demonstrate leadership, reliability, and a strong work ethic. His colleagues respected him for his integrity and his calm, steady presence.

Beyond his professional life, Derick found joy in the moments he shared with family and friends. He was most proud of his children and loved attending any activity they were involved in, taking great pride in supporting and celebrating them. He enjoyed going to the driving range, traveling with his family, spending time in Oregon, and cherished family game nights—where he was known as an amazing spades partner.

Derick was known for his strength and commitment, qualities that defined him both in his service and in his devotion to his family. He will be remembered for his deep sense of duty, his humor, and the kindness he showed to those around him. He leaves behind a legacy of service, love, and resilience that will not be forgotten.

He is survived by his wife Lisa; children Isaiah, Aliliana, Alyssa, and Brielle; parents Johnnie and Terry Sandifer; sister Ebony Washington; and numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family.



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He is preceded in death by his mother Shirley Crowel and sister Yolanda Sandifer.




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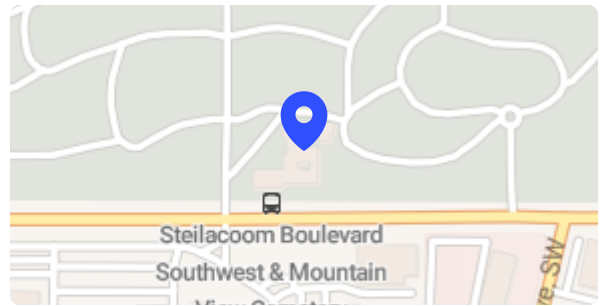
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Celebration of Life

 **Thursday**, September 18, 2025

 2:00 PM PT

 **Aspen Chapel in the Celebration of Life Center**
4100 Steilacoom BLVD SW, Lakewood WA 98499





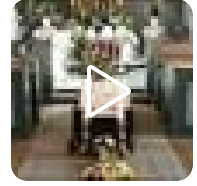
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Mountain View Funeral Home, Memorial Park & Crematory shared a **Webcast Video**.



September 16 at 2:51 PM



Officer And A Gentleman lit a candle in honor of Derick.



My fondness memory that brought us together was serving in the United States Army and being able to call him a brother in arms. It became far more than that when I was in an accident and Derek and his wife, Lisa and kids at the time mamas and Isaiah allowed me to stay in their home to take care of me after I was hospitalized. He is a good man to have by your side, whether it was in uniform or as a friend. I thank you for those memories my brother and you will forever live in my mind and heart. And even though I live far away from your family, I want them to always know. I am here for them the best I can for life. Until the next time I see you, brother. Love you. Bowers

September 18 at 11:50 AM



Jenny Koecke lit a candle in honor of Derick.



Alyssa & family; I'm sending my deepest condolences for the loss of your dad. Please extend my sympathy to your mom and your entire family. I'm so very sorry. I will be praying for your families healing and peace. Jenny Koecke (Holder)

September 18 at 11:25 AM



Ronald Ray Compton sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Sandifer family.



September 18 at 7:25 AM



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Tom Silva posted:

Lisa and Sandifer Family, it is a sad day when someone loses a parent regardless of the circumstances. The guilt of not saying, "I love you", or "Thank you" haunts us. But you are a strong, resilient family who endured Derick's condition until the end. Your bond was unbreakable, and your spirit is unshakable. His love for you will live on, and your relationship and memories of him will live beyond the grave. To the honorable soldier in the field in the defense of our freedom and service of our country, rest in peace, we got this. I leave you with this Bible promise found in Matthew 25:23: "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'" Love. Tom and Theresa Silva

September 17 at 10:23 PM



Love, Dianne, Chris & Hailey White sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Sandifer family.



September 17 at 1:16 PM



Henderson/Jones Family sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Sandifer family.



September 17 at 10:45 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Derick.



September 15 at 6:17 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Sandifer family.



September 15 at 6:17 PM



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Danni B. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Derick.



September 12 at 12:43 PM



Kiesha Elliott September 18 at 3:51 PM

Words can't begin to express how much I love you Mr. Sandifer! Your laugh, your hugs and your presence got me through a many tough days! I will forever cherish you and your friendship. Lisa, please know that I am always here and just a call away. Get your rest my dear friend!



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Derick by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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