



Anthony Addison Dukes

August 16, 1964 - December 4, 2020

Anthony Addison "Tony" Dukes, was born August 16, 1964 in Moses Lake Washington. As a member of an Air Force family, he spent time in Minot, North Dakota and Guam before settling in North Las Vegas as a young boy. "Big Tuna" as Tony was affectionately called, enjoyed the thrill of victory as the winner of numerous heavyweight wrestling championships at Rancho High School. He won the Las Vegas City Championship and was runner-up to the Nevada State Heavyweight Wrestling Title. He was also Nevada State Champion in the shot put, and an all-state football player and team captain at Rancho, where he played both Offensive Tackle and Defensive Guard as a member of the original feared "Beasts of Bruce Street".

After attending the United States Air Force Academy Prep School, Tony also attended Dixie Junior College and Western Illinois University on a football scholarship. He then returned to Las Vegas where he remained until his recent passing.

His career led him to the hospitality industry where he enjoyed a 25 -year stint with the Caesars Palace Receiving Warehouse. He also served as the local Labor Union Stop Steward. Tony died unexpectedly on December 4 after a brief hospital stay.

He leaves behind two smart and beautiful daughters - Hope Patricia Dukes and Zoey Shayera Dukes, his devoted wife Samantha Dukes, and his beloved Raiders who made his day by moving to Las Vegas.

Tony is also survived by his dad, Raymond W. Dukes Sr. (Las Vegas), his

brother, Raymond W. Dukes Jr. (Venus, Texas), his sister Cheryl Dukes (Atlanta), nieces Rachel Dukes and Reagan Dukes, nephew Kanders Dukes, and his dog Sara. He was preceded in death by his mother, Patricia A. Dukes. A celebration of Tony's life will be announced at a later date.

Tribute Wall

SO

“ I went to High School with Tony. Rancho Rams!!!! In 1996 I started a job as a cook at Caesars. That's when I ran into Tony. We talked often. He was my 20yr old daughter Sadie God Father . I was just thinking about you Tony..... Fly High Dukes We miss you!! Gone to soon Sending Love and Prayers to his Beautiful Family

Sally Ortiz - July 07, 2022 at 12:49 PM

MM

“ Rest in Peace Tony Sending my love to the entire family.

MAURICE MILLER - December 15, 2020 at 11:19 PM

SR

“ REST IN PEACE & LOVE COUSIN, TONY...Much love and respect your first cousin, Stephanie Rae Richardson of Seattle, WA. ❤️

Stephanie Richardson - December 13, 2020 at 05:46 PM

JK

“ ❤️ Big Tuna, You may be gone for now but you will never be forgotten! Love Jackie, Cici and Ernie Keitt

Jackie - Cici- Ernie Keitt - December 13, 2020 at 01:32 PM

JS

“ Anthony Addison Dukes

Jackie Sterling-Keitt - December 13, 2020 at 07:47 AM

DS

“ We will miss you Big Tuna ❤️ Love Joe, Debbie and Bitsy

Debbie Sims - December 12, 2020 at 01:47 PM

DR

“ *Our hearts are saddened. We pray for comfort, peace and healing as you grieve your beloved loss. May the love of God's Spirit cover you with hope. Amen. Uncle Donald and Aunt Melissa Richardson*

Donald and Melissa Richardson - December 11, 2020 at 12:46 PM

MG

“ *I knew Tony at Rancho. Just a great guy who all of us respected. Our sympathies to his family.*

Michael Green - December 08, 2020 at 08:03 PM