



## Eric Wilmont Millard

May 27, 1982 - June 24, 2021

Eric Wilmont Millard, age 39, of St. Augustine passed away unexpectedly on June 24, 2021, in Jacksonville. Born in Sayre, PA, Eric moved to Florida as a 4-year-old with his family. He grew up in Lake Mary and Apopka and graduated from Lake Brantley High School in 2000. Eric later attended Valencia College Culinary & Hospitality School in Orlando, graduating in 2011. He worked as a chef at the Enzian Cinema Café and Bar in Orlando and Hemingway's Cuba Restaurant & Bar in Ashville, NC. Most recently he was a chef at the Palm Valley Grill in Ponte Vedra. Eric was a talented chef and he loved his work. Becoming a chef was the perfect outlet for his creative nature. An adventurous soul, he enjoyed the outdoors, spending time at the beach and hiking in the mountains. He had an incredible sense of humor, always quoting lines from his favorite movies; and he especially enjoyed a good inside joke. Eric was sensitive and caring. He was greatly attached to his 2 cats, Loki and Alabama. He had a big heart and was always helping people. More than anything Eric loved his family. He especially loved being an uncle to his niece Gianna. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends.

He is survived by his mother, Carol Millard, of St. Augustine; sister Jerrie Ardolino and her husband James of St. Augustine; maternal grandmother Joan Tippett of St. Augustine; aunts Lisa Tippett and her husband John Keglovitz of Austin, TX, and Joann Tippett and her husband Kevin Finerty of Dublin, CA; and his niece, Gianna. He is preceded in death by his maternal

grandfather, Raymond Tippett.

A celebration of Eric's life will be held at 10 am on Saturday, July 17, 2021, at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Rev. David Beecher officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations in Eric's memory can be made to: World Central Kitchen (<https://wck.org>). Those unable to attend can view the service live streamed at <https://iframe.dacast.com/b/156599/c/549019> .

St Johns Family is in charge of the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUL 17. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home  
385 State Road 207  
St. Augustine, FL

# Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Celebration of Life Service for Eric Millard in memory of Eric Wilmont Millard*



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**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - July 18, 2021 at 11:02 AM

JA

*I love you Eric. ❤️ Forever and always.*

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**Jen (Jerrie) Ardolino** - July 18, 2021 at 06:44 PM

CM

*I will love you forever. Fly free my sweet son.*

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**Carol Millard** - July 19, 2021 at 08:56 PM

CM

*There is a permanent hole in my heart. I will love and miss you forever my sweet son.*

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**Carol Millard** - July 19, 2021 at 08:58 PM

SI

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Shelly lobst** - April 18, 2022 at 03:41 PM

SI

“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Shelly lobst** - April 18, 2022 at 03:37 PM

CM

“ *My sweet son, my heart is shattered in a million pieces. I will love you and carry you in my heart forever. I'm so glad our last conversation ended in each of us saying I love you.* ❤️

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**Carol Millard** - July 25, 2021 at 10:39 PM

JA

“ Eric, I love you. I was so fortunate to get to be your sister. I couldn't have been happier when you were born. I am so proud of you for everything you accomplished and finding your passion within culinary.

You're my best friend and someone I had always imagined would be in my life until we were old and yelling at people from our porch.

A huge piece of me is now gone. I have to figure out how to go on without you and keep your memory alive.

You were so special and talented. I don't believe everyone knew your soft heart and fragile soul. I admired you in so many ways and I can only hope that I will do you proud.

I wish we had more time. I wish I had been able to get to you one more time. I believe you were taken too soon. You had so much to share with the world. The world has a lost a light and soul that it couldn't afford to lose.

You will never leave my heart.

You will never be forgotten.

Eric I love you. Our inside jokes and all our words we shared will always stay with me.

I hope you knew how much you are loved.

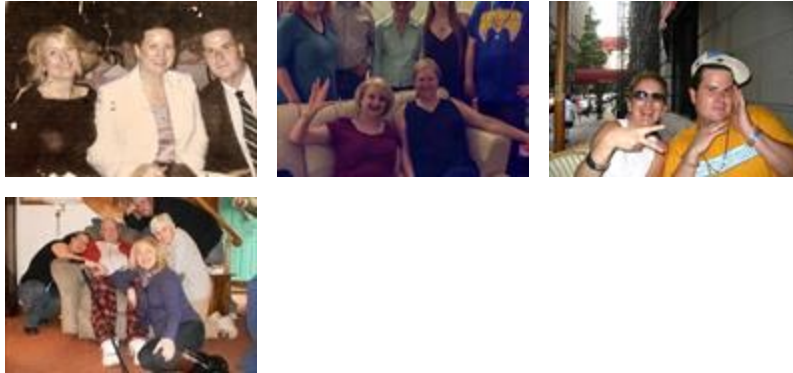
I love you Forever and Always.

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Jen (Jerrie) Ardolino - July 17, 2021 at 07:37 PM

JT

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Joann Tippett - July 17, 2021 at 11:05 AM

JT

“ I miss you my wonderful, funny, extremely talented nephew. I miss we did not have more time and memories to share. Be at peace Eric.  
Love,  
Aunt Joann



Joann Tippett - July 17, 2021 at 11:03 AM

LT

“ Lisa Tippett lit a candle in memory of Eric Wilmont Millard



Lisa Tippett - July 17, 2021 at 10:51 AM



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**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - July 15, 2021 at 01:07 PM



“ 48 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - July 14, 2021 at 08:38 AM



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**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - July 13, 2021 at 03:42 PM

SI

“ Eric and I have so many memories together. He made an impact on everyone's lives. Eric was very passionate about life and was loved immensely. I miss you. Love, Shelly

*i carry your heart (i carry it in my heart)*



Shelly lobst - July 07, 2021 at 10:37 AM



“ Carol, I am deeply sorry for your loss. Eric was indeed a bright young & talented man. He did love his cats, Loki and Alabama; I think they were his best friends!  
*I know he will be missed by many. May God bless you all.*

Beth Frazier - July 04, 2021 at 07:24 PM

MM



Michele Mikel - July 10, 2021 at 01:44 AM

MM



Michele Mikel - July 10, 2021 at 01:44 AM

LT

*We did not see Eric a lot, being separated by the miles, but I remember one funny story from when he was young. He, his mom, and sister had flown up to Pennsylvania in winter, and hit some turbulence. Not at all scared, Eric gleefully declared that "Oh, boy, are we in trouble now, we are going to crash," while making all kinds of jet plane noises. Even at that young age, he had a great sense of humor.*

*I was lucky enough to have had one of his Cuban sandwiches on a trip to Florida, and none that I have had since then compare to that one. I am grateful that my last memory of Eric is a good one, at the marriage of his Aunt Joann and Uncle Kevin. He seemed to be enjoying himself and was looking forward to visiting San Francisco with a friend.*

*We feel so helpless in trying to know how to honor him, but one very little thing we could do was adopt his cats, Loki and Alabama. That they meant so much to him is obvious in the fact that his mom put so much effort into rescuing them, buying all sorts of things that would make a cat feel happy, and driving all the way to Gulfport with his grandmother to meet John half-way to ensure their safe delivery to our home in Austin, Texas.*

*Every time I look at them, and at the picture his niece drew of them and him that now has pride of place on our refrigerator door, I will think of him.*

*Eric, may you have the peace that passeth all understanding and finally have found what you were seeking.*

*With love,*

*Aunt Lisa and Uncle John*

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**Lisa Tippett** - July 17, 2021 at 10:49 AM