



Henry Melton Jr

September 5, 2025

Henry Melton, Jr. was born on November 3, 1959, in New Orleans, Louisiana, to Henry Melton Sr. and Alberta Summers Melton. He was the second of four children, affectionately known by family and friends as “Junie” and “Sleepy.”

From a young age, Henry’s life was rooted in faith and family. He studied the Bible with his parents and treasured the spiritual heritage of his Aunt Marietta and Uncle Robert Wiggins. At age 10, he dedicated his life to Jehovah and was baptized as one of Jehovah’s Witnesses.

Henry attended George Washington Carver High School. With his two closest friends, Keith and David, he spent countless afternoons watching the band and cheerleaders practice — a simple joy that became one of his favorite teenage memories. No one could forget the time he drove his father’s Rolls-Royce to school, cementing his place as one of the most talked-about students in his class.

A man of tireless work ethic and determination, Henry spent many years with Sathers Candy Company, earning the respect of his colleagues and ultimately becoming a supervisor until the company’s closure. In 2003, he proudly carried forward his father’s legacy by taking over Action Demolishing Company. With grit, dedication, and an unwavering commitment to excellence, he built strong relationships across New Orleans, leaving his mark not only as

a businessman but as a trusted leader and friend.

Above all, Henry was a devoted father. His children were the joy of his life, and his pride in them was unmatched. He cherished the simple routine of his daily 4:30 p.m. FaceTime call with Amber, a ritual that kept their bond strong across the miles. He also loved his lively sports discussions with Astin. Henry was always ready to try a new restaurant with Malayia, while they had their adventurous car rides. He celebrated every accomplishment, big or small, and never missed an opportunity to brag about his children.

Henry's vibrant personality was evident in everything he did. He was a passionate Saints and Pelicans fan, known to light up during game days. He found joy in life's pleasures — going to the movies, attending concerts, traveling, cooking, and caring for his beloved dog, Cooper.

On August 28, 2006, Henry married his wife of 19 years, Bridgette. Their marriage was built on laughter, loyalty, and deep devotion. Henry's greatest desire was to make Bridgette happy — if her smile ever faded, he was quick to ask what was wrong and determined to fix it. Together, they built a partnership filled with mutual support, love for family, and joy in the everyday moments.

Henry's love extended deeply to his siblings. In the weeks before his passing, his big sister Sabrina cared for him with tenderness and love, creating memories the family will cherish forever. Though he was an older brother himself, Henry always looked up to "Big Cyril" and held a soft spot for his youngest sister, Donis — bonds that defined a lifetime of sibling love.

Henry fell asleep in death on September 5, 2025. He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Alberta Melton, and his nephew Joseph Melton. He leaves behind his devoted wife, Bridgette Melton; his children, Amber and

Astin Melton; his stepdaughter, Malayia Burns; his siblings, Sabrina Cole (Playville Cole Sr.), Cyril Melton, and Donis Melton; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends who will forever carry his memory in their hearts.

Henry was dearly loved and will be profoundly missed. The Melton family expresses their heartfelt gratitude for the prayers, love, and support shown during this difficult time. We find comfort in the hope found in Isaiah 25:8 — “He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces. The reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, For Jehovah himself has spoken it.”

Please join the Melton family for hospitality immediately following the discourse at Alice Harte Charter School - 5300 Berkley Drive, New Orleans, LA 70131. Special thanks to Jamar McKneely, CEO of InspireNOLA Charter Schools.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP **20**. 1:00 PM (Cst)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses
3031 Berhman Highway
New Orleans, LA 70114

Tribute Wall

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“ *May happy memories bring you peace and comfort during this challenging time. I'm so sorry for your loss.*

D'Angela Hogan



D'Angela Hogan - September 17, 2025 at 10:14 PM

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“ *D'Angela Hogan purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Henry Melton Jr.*



D'Angela Hogan - September 17, 2025 at 09:46 PM

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“ *My beloved brother,
You were more than family you were my constant source of strength and encouragement. Anytime I called, you showed up without hesitation with open arms. You embodied what it means to be a good man, faithful, selfless and always ready to lift others up. I will miss your voice, laughter, dry humor and unwavering support for the rest of my life. Though you are no longer here, your love and example will guide me forever.*

I love you, and will carry your memory with me always

Love Sabrina

Sabrina Cole - September 17, 2025 at 01:37 PM