

Luke Steven Anderson



Luke at age 15, during Anderson Bros. Paranormal's first investigation.

Luke Steven Anderson was born to John and Alison Anderson, in Dallas, Texas, on October 1, 1993.

In 1994, the family moved into their newly built house in the suburban city of Garland.

Luke started kindergarten at the beginning of the 1999-2000 school year at Vial Elementary School. His teacher was a harsh old woman named Mrs. Crow.

QUICK FACTS

REALM:

**The
Nightfire
Realm**

DATE/PLACE OF BIRTH:

October 1, 1993

Dallas, Texas

CURRENT RESIDENCE:

Nightfire, Texas

PHYSICAL APPEARANCE:

Race: Human **Sex/Gender:** Male **Eyes:** Blue

Hair: Dark brown **Skin Tone:** Light

Age (as of latest appearance): 22 years

IMMEDIATE FAMILY:

Father: John Butler Anderson

Mother: Alison Jane (Whitney) Anderson

Younger Brother: Jasper Sorry Anderson

EDUCATION:

Nightfire High School (2009 – 2012) diploma

Nightfire Community College (2013 – 2015) associate degree

PRIMARY OCCUPATION:

Co-founder, Anderson Bros. Paranormal, 2009 – 2015+

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By the time he was six years old, Luke was being secretly terrorized at night by a centuries-old closet monster named Ooga Booga, who would come out of Luke’s closet, looming in the shadows, and beg Luke to turn out the night light so that he could eat him. Though Luke pleaded with his parents night after night, his fears were dismissed as the product of an overactive imagination.

The monster eventually manipulated Luke’s father into removing the night light that had kept him from reaching Luke, and Luke became Ooga Booga’s next meal.

Fortunately, killing Luke against his will and attempting to devour his soul were both violations of the Closet Monster Directives, thus allowing one of Luke’s three guardian angels, Meriael, to freeze Time in the physical realm and rescue Luke’s immortal soul from Ooga Booga’s hungry maw, spiriting Luke and his assailant off to the Celestial Court, in a higher plane of reality, where Ooga Booga was to be tried for his crimes.

During the trial, Luke was represented by a phoenix who had never lost a case, and Ooga Booga was defended by a skeletal suicide demon named Judas Styx. Luke was under the care of his late maternal grandfather, Gus Whitney, whom Luke found he remembered from before his birth. He was also introduced to his other two guardian angels, Zuriel and Jerusael.

Luke heard the testimonies of other children’s spirits whose bodies Ooga Booga had consumed over the centuries, including a boy named Jasper Sorry and a deeply disturbed boy named Arthur Diceman.

QUICK FACTS CONTINUED

FAVORITES:

Childhood Book: *Where the Wild Things Are*
by Maurice Sendak

Food: Mashed potatoes and gravy

Band: Black Eyed Peas

CHRONOLOGICAL APPEARANCES:

1999 – 6 years old

1. “Night Light”
2. “Night Light II: The Trial of Ooga Booga

2014 – 20 years old

3. “Dario Jung and the GPS from Hell”

2015 – 22 years old

4. “Mommy Doesn’t See Me”

The trial was presided over by a god, who appeared in the form of a pyramid with a great single eye on one side, floating within a pillar of cloud. This god spoke through an angel called Metatron. A record of the proceedings was kept by four court stenographers, who appeared in the curious forms of a lion, a cow, an eagle, and yet another angel.

As the trial went on, Luke befriended Jasper Sorry, who helped to distract him from the horrors of the monsters and demons in their midst.

At the trial’s conclusion, Ooga Booga was declared guilty of killing Luke without consent, with intent to devour his soul, and Luke was permitted to choose the monster’s fate.

Luke sentenced Ooga Booga to twelve long years of being transfigured into the cutest thing in Hell, a laughingstock, humiliating the monster. At the conclusion of the twelve years, Ooga Booga was to resume his true form, with the exception that his teeth would be as soft as pillows, his bite would only tickle, and his

throat would be too small to swallow so much as an acorn.

Before being taken back home and restored to his physical form, Luke was told by the phoenix that he would not remember everything that had transpired right away upon his return to life. He would remember some of it as a dream, and he would know that the monster was unable to hurt him anymore. He would not remember the full horror of what had been done to him until the end of his mortal journey. He was told that he would be changed; that he would be able to see things and help others who saw those same things and were frightened by them. When Luke asked who would help *him*, it was revealed to his delight that Jasper Sorry was to be reincarnated as his brother.

Luke's Grandpa Gus carried him from the courtroom and tucked him into his bed back in Garland, at which point the boy's body was fully restored, all evidence of the horror that had occurred in his bedroom having been completely erased.

Luke awoke to the sound of his mother's voice calling his name. Alison had just awakened from a shared nightmare with her husband about their son being eaten by a monster. Luke shocked his mother with the revelation that he knew she was pregnant, a fact she hadn't even confessed to her husband yet. Luke told her the baby's name was Jasper and that he was coming in July.

Jasper Sorry Anderson was indeed born, as predicted, in July of the following year.

Over the years that followed, haunted by the shared nightmare between herself and her husband, Luke's mother began researching heavily in the field of demonology, using her discoveries to write horror novels that were eventually picked up by a publisher. The success of her books financed further investigations, and further novels, leading to a growing rift between Luke's parents.

In 2009, when he was fifteen years old, Luke's parents divorced, and the boys moved into a house in Nightfire, Texas with their mother, who was working on a novel that she refused to discuss with Luke and Jasper.

At the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year, Luke was registered as a new student at Nightfire High School, meeting fellow sophomores Kessler Parks, Dario Jung, Artemis Plimp, and Rick Hundsballe, as well as freshman Timothy Colden.

It was during this time that Luke and Jasper co-founded the YouTube channel @AndersonBrosParanormal.¹ The brothers used the channel to upload videos of their investigations into a number of potentially supernatural mysteries.

Supportive of her sons' work, Alison bought them their first infra-red camera, adding to a growing cache of equipment the boys used to study and record unusual phenomena.

Though Luke was a voracious reader, when *Night Lights and Nightmares*, the novel his mother had been working on since before they'd moved to Nightfire, was published in

¹ The story of Luke and Jasper's first case will be chronicled in the forthcoming novel *The Thing in the Attic: An Anderson Bros. Paranormal Investigation*.

2010, Alison refused to let her sons read it. Nor would she discuss it with them anymore than she had when she'd been writing it.

That same year, Luke's friend group was rocked by the deaths of several teenagers on and around the Colden Farm. The entire Colden family was found brutally murdered on the property after Luke's mother had alerted the police to a terrified phone call she had received from Timothy Colden's mother, Dora.

Luke was frustrated by his mother's silence, learning only from news coverage that the police had found Timothy's mother's body crushed by a car that had been driven through a wall in the farmhouse's garage, Timothy's father had been found decapitated by an axe blade, and Timothy himself had been torn to shreds by the family's tractor. Luke's friend Kessler Parks had been found dead on the property as well, murdered by the same axe that had killed Timothy's father. As the investigation continued, the bodies of Rick Hundsballe and a girl named Talia Shabina were found in the woods near Colden Farm with their skulls crushed by a rock.

The police were baffled by the lack of any definitive evidence as to the identity of the perpetrator, or perpetrators, of the grizzly murders.

Seeing all the hallmarks of the paranormal in the case and wanting to find out what had happened to his friends, Luke was extremely frustrated by his mother forbidding him to go anywhere near the Colden Farm for years.

After graduating from Nightfire High School with the class of 2012, Luke took a year off from education before registering for the

2013 fall semester at Nightfire Community College, intending to stick with it until he had earned his associate degree.

By the summer of 2014, Artemis Plimp had joined the Anderson Bros. Paranormal team as their latest videographer, following a string of videographers who had quit on them over the years due to the frightening nature of their work. By this time, the boys had officially dubbed the garage at their mother's house as the Anderson Brothers' Paranormal Research Center. It was here that they stored files and equipment related to their work and edited their videos for YouTube.

Between the spring and fall 2014 semesters at Nightfire Community College, Luke, Jasper, and Artemis broke into Alexas Mansion, which served as the home of Nightfire's mayor and was said to be extremely haunted.

Catching the boys in the act, the mayor and his wife surprised them by cooperating with their investigation. The mayor gave the boys a tour of all the old house's paranormal hot spots, before making some tea and trading ghost stories with them.

After returning home and examining the footage they had recorded, Luke was amazed at the results, which included a full-bodied apparition caught on their infra-red camera.

Shortly after their investigation of the mayor's mansion, a man named Trent Dolan gave the boys a lead on another case. He told them about a hotel off a lonely highway in California that had burned to the ground in 1978, only to return once a year, on Christmas Eve, so that a malevolent spirit named Andy Tombs could make his annual confession to

unsuspecting travelers such as Trent had been four years before, when he'd experienced the apparition in person.

Excited by the prospect, Luke and Jasper took a spontaneous trip to California to investigate the site in the summer, in order to get baseline readings of the location when it was supposedly inactive, fully intending to return over the holidays for more.

Back in Nightfire, after their trip, before Luke and Jasper had even told Artemis about the results from Alexas Mansion, the team was visited in their headquarters by Dario Jung, who told them a strange tale about his recent encounter with a possessed GPS, in which another of their high school peers, Bertrand Fink, IV, had allegedly been eaten by a pack of chupacabras that were under the GPS's control.

During their back-and-forth with Dario, Artemis learned about the fully formed apparition from Alexas Mansion and finally decided he'd had enough, quitting the team and leaving the Anderson brothers once again in need of a videographer.

They eventually recruited Dario, a long-time enthusiast of their work, to fill the position.

The following year, Luke earned his associate degree from Nightfire Community College at the conclusion of the spring 2015 semester.

Several months later, Luke, Jasper, and Dario were called to Mesquite, Texas by a woman named Maeve Malloy, who was convinced that her three-year-old son, Jason, had been recalling people and events from a past life. Ms. Malloy hoped the young

investigators would be able to find the answers that might give her son the closure he needed. She presented her evidence, allowing them to record the meeting for their channel. Jason had drawn a house that he insisted he had lived in with his "other Mommy," his brother Dustin, his sister Lydia, and a dog named after the main villain from the *Harry Potter* novels. The boy even appeared to remember his death, claiming to have been hit by a car.

Luke and Jasper were able to find the house that the boy had drawn, in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Luke arranged for Jason and his mother to take a trip with them to see the house, and to their astonishment, Jason was able to give them a tour of the house as though he had in fact lived there himself.

Soon after their trip to Corpus, Luke and Jasper were able to track down the former residents of the house, the McAlister family, consisting of a woman named Rita, her thirteen-year-old son Dustin, her eleven-year-old daughter Lydia, and a dog whose name left no doubt these were the very people Jason had been telling them about. Luke and his team met with the McAlisters to find out what light they could shed on Jason's memories. Finding that everything lined up between Jason's memories and the McAlisters' history, which would have placed Jason's memories about a year before his birth, Luke and Jasper fully expected to learn about the third sibling who had been hit by a car and passed away at some point between 2011 and 2012.

To Luke's astonishment, the family was perfectly bewildered by the idea, explaining

that there had never been another child in their family at all.

Luke and Jasper took a picture of the McAlisters and ran a background check on both Rita McAlister and Maeve Malloy, finding no evidence that the two mothers had ever crossed paths. They followed up by doing a thorough search of every pertinent record, trying to find any evidence that there had been a third child born to Rita McAlister who had died, hit by a car or otherwise. Their efforts turned up absolutely nothing.

Utterly confused as to how there was so much evidence of a reincarnation but no dead child to have been reincarnated in the first place, the Anderson brothers searched through the records another four times before returning to Mesquite with Dario to share their findings with Ms. Malloy and, most likely, to close the investigation unsolved.

At the Malloys' house, they gave one final test to Jason, showing him pictures of similar

families to the one he had described, with an actual picture of the McAlisters shuffled into the mix. When Jason excitedly identified the correct picture as his "other Mommy" and his siblings, Luke and his team were even more astonished that all of the official evidence seemed to prove he had never lived as a child with that family.

Luke expressed his bewilderment as he told Ms. Malloy about their findings, and he did his best to comfort her with the fact that most children in reincarnation cases begin to forget their past lives as they grow up. He suggested she try to discern the most important thing to Jason from his stories to try and give him the closure he might need.

Leaving Jason Malloy in the loving arms of his mother, Luke continued his quest to shine a light into the darkness, exploring and exposing the paranormal on his YouTube channel with Jasper and Dario.²

Character Spotlights #1

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² Luke Anderson's story will continue in the forthcoming eBook original novelette "Dario Jung and the French-Fried Werewolf from Hell."