



Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth

July 12, 2009 - August 18, 2023

Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth, a radiant soul who graced this world with his infectious spirit, was born in Richmond, VA, on July 12, 2009. With heavy hearts, we share the news of his sudden passing on August 18, 2023, in Chesterfield, VA.

Elonzo's life was a testament to his vibrant enthusiasm. He carried his passion for sports as a torch, lighting up the soccer fields alongside his dad, dazzling on the basketball court, and impressing everyone by securing a spot on the varsity high school football team as a freshman. In the digital realm, he achieved domination as a gamer, mastering games like Mortal Kombat and earning the title of champion at home. His impeccable sense of style demonstrated his unique personality, showcasing his zest for fashion in every fire fit he wore and always sporting a stylish hairstyle mirroring his vibrant spirit.

Beyond his achievements, Elonzo's smile was his trademark. His joyful presence brightened the lives of his family, friends, and everyone he met.

Elonzo is survived and missed by his dear brother Mandela, devoted mother Ashley and father Afrika, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, his beloved dog Joy, and a community of family and friends who were touched by his warmth and love.

Elonzo's impact was profound, and his memory will forever remain etched in our hearts. Rest peacefully and in power, dear Zo, as your light continues to shine in our memories.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 26, 2023, at 11:00 AM at The St. Paul's Baptist Church South located at 700 E. Belt Blvd., Richmond, VA, 23224. For those that cannot attend the service in person, you can view the live stream on Zoom by clicking the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82585439294?pwd=OGNlb2dYZXF6S1h6M00weWpsWDRUZz09>. The passcode is 150655.

In place of flowers, please donate to the RVA Bulldogs Youth Organization to help young athletes and their families who cannot afford the registration fees. Send funds via Cash App: \$rvabulldogs or pay by check to RVA Bulldogs Youth Organization, 904 Steppeway Lane, Richmond, VA, 23223.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Paul's Baptist Church
700 E Belt Blvd
Richmond, VA 23224

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Tribute Wall



“ *he is my brother*

Mandela Kenneth - May 10, 2024 at 03:06 PM



“ *Zo was a very sweet boy that I wish I could've gotten closer to. I liked him very much and I found him extraordinary. He was very athletic and so many people loved him. I send my prayers to him family and It took me a while to actually type this because I could've bring my self to believing he was gone. May god bless Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth, as well as Mr and Mrs.Kenneth.*

Will - January 03, 2024 at 04:52 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*

September 07, 2023 at 05:35 PM



“ *Dear Family, I pray for God's grace to give you peace during this difficult time. Please accept my sincere condolences. The Farrell Family, UCC Southern California*

Cheryl Farrell - August 27, 2023 at 11:49 AM



Thank you Cheryl and family. This means a lot. Rachel& Kevin

rachel chapman - August 30, 2023 at 05:04 PM

BM

“ To Ashley and family,

My heart is with you. I'm lifting you up. I only met your sweet young man through basketball- he was so talented, incredibly handsome and kind. Sending hugs, healing, light, and love your way.

Bianca Myrick & Bryce

bianca myrick - August 26, 2023 at 01:08 PM

TF

“ *Elonzo was a sweet soul with boundless energy and questions. We are praying for Ashley, his little brother, father and the rest of his loved ones as they move through their grief. A day will come when his memory will make you smile or chuckle instead of weeping. Until then we are praying for God's emotional covering for you all through this. -Tiffany Ford, Brooke and Sherrod*

Tiffany Ford - August 26, 2023 at 10:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



August 26, 2023 at 01:41 AM

RP

“ *Wishing we had the words to lighten your agony but sometimes words are just not enough. Please accept our deepest condolences on your loss. Our hearts and prayers are with your family at this time and always.....Love The Ponce Family*

Romita Ponce - August 25, 2023 at 11:35 PM

NB

“ I've always seen Elonzo as being a fine looking young man, with wonderfully 'Blessed' parents as Ashley and Elonzo Sr.. Aunt Noma & uncle Judge

Noma J Bradley - August 25, 2023 at 10:04 PM

GR

“ Lifting prayers of comfort and peace for the Kenneth and Chapman families. Sincere condolences to you and your family Ashley. Greta Randolph

Greta - August 25, 2023 at 09:56 PM

SH

“ My deepest heartfelt condolences to the Kenneth family. May the mark that your young prince left on this world live forever in your hearts and all those he touched.

Blessings,
Sonja Holt (LQ23)



Sonja Holt - August 25, 2023 at 11:05 AM

JK

Hello dear cousin Ashley I am so sorry for your loss I can't even imagine what you must be going through the best thing that I could do is ask our father in Heaven to give you comfort and peace during this time I will continue to keep you in my prayers with love. Jesus said Peace I leave with you not as the world gives but My peace passes all understanding!

Comfort and peace to you all joelene

joelene kearney - August 26, 2023 at 12:09 PM

KH

Dearest Ashley... What a tragic loss for you and all your family. I remember Elonzo riding his bike and picking up litter... it's an image and memory I have always held onto. His life cut short is a loss for us all. Watching his beautiful moves on the football field walkways evoked a kind an interpretive dance.

His loss is agony beyond bearing, but I know your faith is strong. And I send you all my love, care, and healing.

Kim Hamilton - August 28, 2023 at 06:24 PM

TH

“ *It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of the passing of our beloved youth football player. Elonzo “Zo”. The entire Bulldog family mourns the loss of a talented athlete, spirited teammate, and a wonderful friend. Your indomitable spirit will forever echo on the field and your memory will continue to motivate us. We love you Zo! Once a DAWG ALWAYS A DAWG YOU MAY BE GONE FROM OUR SIGHT, but you will never be forgotten. #family #DawgNation #rvabulldogkids*

Taj Henley - August 25, 2023 at 09:40 AM

KC

Words cannot express the heaviness in our hearts upon hearing of our precious nephew E'lonzo's passing away. How I loved his mother posting his achievements for family and friends to see and how proud of him his entire family is. Our Heavenly Father is the giver and the keeper of all life and He alone holds the key to our sunrise and our sunset we as a family are so very grateful for the time we had with him for we know that to be absent from the body is to be one with God we will miss your strength your fortitude and especially your infectious smile You have spread your wings and God has opened His arms to receive you into His kingdom now and forevermore..... You will forever be in our hearts Gone But Not Forgotten. Uncle Albert Aunt Karen and our entire family Love you Muchess Amen ❤️🙏

karen Chapman - August 25, 2023 at 05:35 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



August 25, 2023 at 07:34 AM



“ *To the Kenneth Family: My sincerest condolences. Elonzo was energetic and a social butterfly in my class. I remember how excited he was when he found out we were both born in July. May God's grace comfort your family during this time.*
Mrs. Morris

Theresa Morris - August 24, 2023 at 08:42 PM



Words can't express the sadness and heartbreak I feel for the loss of your beautiful child! I pray the Lord gives you peace and comfort you. We have another Angel to look over us.

Sheena Rivers - August 24, 2023 at 10:11 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



August 24, 2023 at 08:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



August 24, 2023 at 08:27 PM



“ *Dearest Ashley and family, my deepest condolences on this devastating loss. I will hold you all in my heart and prayers. Sending you much love, Carolina Lugo*

Carolina Lugo - August 24, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *To the Kenneth Family, Im sorry sorry to hear about Elonzo. He was such a good friend to my son Taj. We will all miss him dearly. May loving memories of Elonzo help you to find peace and comfort. If you need anything Im just a phone call away.*

*April Williams and Family
Taj's Mom*

April Williams - August 24, 2023 at 05:24 PM



“ *Team TCI purchased the Lavender Reflections S pray for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



Team TCI - August 24, 2023 at 11:35 AM

ST

“ Steve, Emi & the SPC team purchased the Laver Reflections Spray for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.



Steve, Emi & the SPC team - August 24, 2023 at 10:40 AM

CB

“ Ashley/Elvis, condolences to you and your family. Praying God's mighty hands of comfort be over you and your extended family. If there's anything we can do, please let us know.

*Much love and prayers,
Dea. Carla Brown, The Saint Paul's Baptist Church*

Carla Brown - August 24, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.



August 23, 2023 at 07:49 PM

JB

“ Dearest Ashley, Afrika and Zay,
Our whole family is heartbroken over the passing of Elonzo. He was such a precious person with such a sweet spirit.
We fell in love with all of you on your trip to Maine! We will remember it dearly.
It is so hard to find the right words to say. I hope that knowing how much you are loved finds you some peace and strength.
Love, all of the Brookings family

Jeanne and Jack Brookings - August 23, 2023 at 07:27 PM

DM

“ To The Family of Elonzo:
There are no words to describe the sense of loss I know you all are feeling at this time, but please know that I am sending my sincere condolences to you all. I will always remember the fun he and my grandson, Taj had on the phone playing computer games together when Taj was over my house. I have a few pictures of him with some of his classmates on Awards Day at Patrick Henry Elementary School. We care and are sending you thoughts of comfort.

Sincerely,
Debra Mashore
Taj's grandmother

Debra Mashore - August 23, 2023 at 02:38 PM

DR

“ Prayers and condolences to the family.



Deborah Richards - August 23, 2023 at 11:28 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



August 23, 2023 at 10:32 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.

August 23, 2023 at 10:32 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elonzo Isaiah Kenneth.*



August 22, 2023 at 10:36 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - August 22, 2023 at 04:31 PM

LW

Ashley and family, words can't express any sentiment that will make this time easier. So I will simply send vibrations of peace and love your way. We haven't known each other long Ashley, but your impact in the world, drives me to be better in my respective spaces. Rest in power King Zo! Lorraine Wright

Lorraine Wright - August 24, 2023 at 05:57 AM

JC

There are no words to express how you feel. I pray God wrap his arms around you tight. And hold you firmly during this time and the months to come. I can relate, hold on to his memories they will give you comfort. JC

Jeannette Cordor - August 24, 2023 at 11:04 PM

CZ

My deepest sympathies. I wish I had known Elonzo. He has had a profound impact, the world is better because he was here. May he rest in peace.

Cyndi Zagieboylo - August 25, 2023 at 02:36 PM

EA

*Dear Kenneth Family, My deepest condolences for your loss of our dear Elonzo. He was an extraordinary young man, full of kindness and love. He made such a difference at PH as a Mighty Oak. His enthusiasm was infectious, he was a friend to all, and we loved him very much. I will never forget Elonzo. Angels wings and God's love embrace him now. My prayers are with you all.
Eileen Atkinson*

Eileen Atkinson - August 25, 2023 at 06:58 PM

MK

my brother was a very loving person and he always cared about me and the people around him he put people first and helped people and cared a lot i mean a lot so i appreciate yall a lot for sharing this and all thees Gifts and i just found out about this when i was Searching my full name on the INTERNET and i FOUND my brothers picture so i Searched my brothers name and i found this website(do my parents know about this

Mandela Kenneth - May 10, 2024 at 03:23 PM