



Eric Dwayne Kelly

October 22, 1966 - May 21, 2011

Man was not able to provide a specific date of life's departure ERIC, as of yet , but we believe that his transition from earth to glory took place on May 21, 2011. Contrary to the standard obituary format, we 've decided to Eric's life from the latter to the former.

Today , Eric leaves to cherish his memory , his mother , Maggie B. Kelley; father Marcel A. Coates; three children Erica D. Kelly, Eric D. Kelly, Jr and Monterey Kelly; three sisters, Rhonda Kelley, Tracey G. Coates and Samantha “Sam” Mumford; four brothers, Brian Kelley, Elijah Kelly, Kenneth Kelley, and Samuel Mumford; blended family members, Raymond Kelley, Sr and Jr., Vickie L. Coates, William W. Sinkler, Jr Yannick K. Sinkler and Brierre L. Sinkler; two sisters-in-law, Jackie Kelley and Shanita Kelley; twenty eight nieces and nephews; one great niece two great -nephews; Janice Gentry and a countless number of other cousins; six best friends Glen Clark , Tavon Higgins, Juan “Trike” Jackson, Ronald Williams, Brian Kelley and the late Jeffery Pernell; and a host of other special friends and well wishers.

In Eric's latter days, he continued to maintain a strong relationship with his three children. The family structure was very important to him . No doubt this close bond was enhanced based on his solid relationship with his parents, siblings and close friends. As he witnessed his parents sharing responsibilities over him, he and his former wife, Shanna, adopted a similar practice.

Eric was always passionate about the Lord Jesus Christ and their relationship. During his formative years, while living with either of his parents, Eric recognized that Jesus Christ was the center of each household. Eric spent plenty of time in church with his father. Eric accepted Jesus Christ and was baptized at Calvary Baptist in Baltimore, Maryland. The Jesus in his life was extended to everyone he would meet. Eric's commitment to the family and Jesus Christ cannot be overstressed. He really loved the Lord and demonstrated that love to his family.

Professionally, Eric was one with an array of talents. He could be characterized as one who would be available to meet immediate needs. White or Blue Collar work rendered no task too hard for him. As an independent contractor, his work allowed him to meet and greet individuals from various stations of life. His interpersonal skills, talents and abilities provided a launching pad to level the playing field on business matters and to casually invite Jesus to enter the situation. So often he would just operate in the ministry of Presence. Plumbing, electrical, and others types of manual labor were all completed with ease and excellence. He had keen eye for getting to the root of problems and resolving them quick and fast and in hurry. He was a welcomed member of anyone's team. Speaking of teams, Eric was quite a sportsman. He loved playing games and provided opportunities for children to have good clean fun.

Academics was challenge he accepted with reservations. He always felt hard pressed when it came to good study habits. He never thought that it was easy, yet he continued at his own pace. One positive step for him was his physical move from Baltimore to Chicago, Illinois. He aligned himself with the internationally known "Pacific Garden Mission," home of the worldwide radio program "Unshackled". As a result of that union, he enrolled, as a full time student at the MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE.

Irrespective of how hard pressed he felt studying was, he made the Dean's List a number of times. In response to God's call, in June of 2008, Eric was licensed by Tiberia Baptist Church to preach the Gospel. He later moved his fellowship to Lilydale Progressive Missionary Baptist Church.

However, prior to his early departure, he has to his credit many friends stretching from borders of the United to the historic city of Loudon, England. Eric was product of the school system in Philadelphia and Baltimore City. Subsequent to completing a course of study in Baltimore City, he received his GED and used that accomplishment as a springboard to higher learning. Eric was a very gifted writer and motivational speaker who did not mind expressing his gifts to others. He loved to write stories, songs and poems about the Lord. Life for Eric, as with so many others was not a single bed of roses. It came with its ups and downs, Joy of the Lord is one's strength and that it is Jesus who is the strength giver and the great provider.

From humble beginnings, Eric was born on October 22, 1966 in Winnsboro, South Carolina. He was the first born son of Margie B Kelley and Marcel A. Coates. As time continued, Margie and Eric moved to big city of Philadelphia and ultimately to Baltimore where Margie initially resided for many years. First born son Eric, later became the elder child of Kelley family. To whom much is given much is required.

Eric's legacy is embodied in his most famous saying "Praise Jesus" As he passed through this way we are encouraged and committed to be strong in the Lord. We walk in the assurance that we share in the Jesus Victory" over death, hell in the grave.

You have seen Eric once and you have a good chance to see him again, if you

believe.

Cemetery Details

King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21244
(410) 944-8300
info@kingmemorialpark.com
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAY 27. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

MAY 27. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

MAY 28. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Greater Gethsemane Baptist
2525 E. Preston Street
Baltimore, MD 21205

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eric Dwayne Kelly*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Samantha Mumford lit a candle in memory of Eric Dwayne Kelly*



Samantha Mumford - January 25, 2012 at 11:24 AM



I miss my brother more & more everyday! Love u E...

Samantha Mumford - January 25, 2012 at 11:25 AM



“ *I had a Bible intro class with Eric and was always blessed to hear him sing 'hallelujah', just that one word. His joy was a definite result of Jesus in his heart!*

Isaac Love - September 14, 2011 at 02:57 PM



“ *Eric was my student at Moody Bible Institute. His presence always lit up the room. I loved his enthusiastic spirit and his joy about Jesus. He will be greatly missed... Jamie Janosz*

Jamie Janosz - August 11, 2011 at 11:46 AM

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“ CHACONDA HARRELL sent a virtual gift in memory of Eric Dwayne Kelly



CHACONDA HARRELL - July 12, 2011 at 06:26 PM

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“ CHACONDA HARRELL lit a candle in memory of Eric Dwayne Kelly



CHACONDA HARRELL - July 12, 2011 at 06:25 PM

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“ I LOVE AND WILL MISS YOU.CONNIE

CHACONDA HARRELL - July 12, 2011 at 06:24 PM

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“ I know you don't know me, but I saw Eric's obituary; I wanted to send you my condolences.

As humans, we grieve over the death of a loved one; that's normal, because we know Jesus gave way to tears (John 11:35) after the death of his close friend Lazarus. He demonstrated what resurrection will mean for mankind; in John 11:11, 14-44, “Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Lazarus our friend has gone to rest, but I am journeying there to awaken him from sleep.’ Luke 23:43 provides us the hope for paradise here on earth, because Jesus stated, “Truly I tell you today, YOU will be with me in Paradise.” Jesus statement meant that “All” the earth will be transformed back into a paradise under the rule of Christ as King!

I hope these words serve as encouragement. Remain loyal and keep serving God; you will see Eric again!

Taren Williams - May 31, 2011 at 09:00 AM

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“ VICTORIA ANDERSON lit a candle in memory of Eric Dwayne Kelly



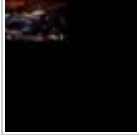
VICTORIA ANDERSON - May 31, 2011 at 03:00 AM



“ Yvonne Augins lit a candle in memory of Eric Dwayne Kelly



yvonne Augins - May 30, 2011 at 11:45 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Eric



Samantha Mumford - May 28, 2011 at 07:25 PM



“ *My memories of Eric will always include his smile and laugh. He would call me from time to time just to talk. He sent me poems that he had composed. He gave me comfort when I lost my son Durwin. I will miss him. If the family would like copies of his poem please contact me ghudson04@gmail.com
Gwen Hudson (Hollander Ridge)*

Gwendolyn Hudson - May 27, 2011 at 06:57 PM



“ *ERIC WAS A CARE GIVING PERSON,WHO HAD A BIG BEAUTIFUL SMILE.ERIC EVEN THOUGH WHEN RAN INTO EACH OTHER OVER 20 YRS. U WAS ALWAYS KIND AND SWEET....R.I.P ERIC LOVE YOU VICTORIA (hollander ridge)*

Victoria Anderson - May 26, 2011 at 07:35 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 - May 24, 2011 at 04:33 PM

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I KNOW I WAS NOT ABLE TO BE THERE AND IM SORRY FOR THAT I WILL REMEMBER THE GOOD TIMES WE SHARED TO TOGHER WE SHARED A SON TOGHER THAT LOVED YOU SO MUCH I LOVED YOU AND WILL NEVER FORGET YOU. R.I.P. CONNIE

CHACONDA HARRELL - July 12, 2011 at 05:58 PM