



## Keith Ervin Bates

October 25, 1965 - May 29, 2021

Keith E. Bates of Ellicott City, Maryland left peacefully in his sleep and entered the eternal realm on May 29, 2021. Keith, son of the late Clifton E. Bates and Anna L. Bates, was born on October 25, 1965.

Keith was educated in Baltimore City public schools and, in 1983, graduated from Northwestern High School. Afterward, he attended Morgan State University. While Keith worked at various companies, he spent the last 16 years at Verizon. He was a dedicated and beloved employee who was determined to show up each day and do his best despite his increasing health challenges.

Known for his jokes, storytelling and infectious laugh, Keith was the life of the party, making friends wherever he went. He had many interests, including fast cars, arts & crafts, and cooking. Keith loved sports and was a die-hard Oakland Raiders fan. His lifelong hobby was building model cars that he carefully displayed in a glass case.

Raised in a large extended family, whom he loved fiercely, his cousins were his first friends and more like siblings to him. Keith E. Bates leaves to cherish his memories, daughter, Shanina L. Jones; one granddaughter, Skylar L. Jones; mother Anna L. Bates; sister Donna L. Bates; and a host of uncles, aunts, cousins, and friends



# Previous Events

## viewing

JUN 4. 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - West  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215

## Wake

JUN 5. 11:30 AM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
info@marchfh.com

## Service

JUN 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215

# Tribute Wall



“ To view the service of Mr. Bates please click the link that says View Webcast.



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**March Funeral Homes** - June 03, 2021 at 10:59 AM

DM

To Mrs. Bates and Donna, and his daughter and granddaughter: I am so very sorry for your loss. I pray for God's comfort and strength during this very difficult time.

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**Daryelle Martin** - June 05, 2021 at 12:14 PM



“ *Keith Ervin Bates*

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October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

CP

“ *Chello Pitts lit a candle in memory of Keith Ervin Bates*



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**Chello Pitts** - July 01, 2021 at 05:36 PM

CC

“ *To the Bates Family  
My prayers go out to you for the loss of your  
Son , brother, Father, cousin, and friend. He  
will be missed but not forgotten.*



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**Crystal Carter** - June 05, 2021 at 09:00 AM

SC

“ *With heavy hearts we send condolences to his mom, Anna, and  
Family. Our prayers and love to you always.*

*Franklin & Solone Crockett*

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**solone crockett** - June 03, 2021 at 01:17 PM

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“ *From Evelyn Taylor and Don Crummell and  
family. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spr  
ay for the family of Keith Ervin Bates.*



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**From Evelyn Taylor and Don Crummell and family.** - June 02,  
2021 at 03:21 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for  
the family of Keith Ervin Bates.*



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June 02, 2021 at 12:07 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - May 31, 2021 at 02:33 PM