# Life Reflections

### Karen Denise Kennedy

March 26, 1966 - June 3, 2021

Sister Karen "Kal" Denise Kennedy was born on March 26, 1966, to the late Otis Watson and Lois Ann Kennedy. She departed this life on Thursday, June 3, 2021, at CaroMont Medical Center, Gastonia, North Carolina.

Sis. Kennedy was a member of the United House of Prayer. She attended the Gaston County Schools. She was employed at Sunshine Uniform Service until her health began to fail and she was unable to work. She was a very loving and outgoing woman, and her greatest love was her grandchildren. She was very vibrant and would light up the room when family would come together. She loved cooking and especially enjoyed Thanksgiving and Christmas, but she is known best for her servitude for others. Shew as a counselor, willing to listen, an instructor wanting things done right and was always looking for ways to make life better for those around her.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her daughter: Dimawi "Gail" Kennedy; three brothers: Otis Kennedy, Dennis Kennedy, and Fredrick Watson.

Left to cherish her memories are two daughters: Pamela Kennedy of Charlotte, NC and Catherine (Robert) Adams of Gastonia, NC; three brothers: Edward (Olivia) Kennedy of Charlotte, NC; Willie (Rita) Kennedy of Gastonia, NC and Michael Kennedy of kings Mountain, NC; three sisters: Sharon Kennedy of Charlotte, NC, Lorraine (Tommy) Hargett of Dawson, NC and Stacy (Nick) Camp of Dallas, NC; two aunts: Costella Kennedy of Dallas, NC and Mary (John) Brown of Gastonia, NC; two uncles: Willie (Debbie) Kennedy of Charlotte, NC and Darnell Kennedy of Gastonia, NC; five grandchildren: Mahogany, Terri, Mackenzie, Jamony and Javarus; one great grandchild on the way: Kennedi; life partner: Michael "Mixer" Pagan; special friends: Edwardo (Candy) Curry and Angela Durham of Gastonia, NC and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.





## Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Hymn

Scriptures:

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer

Selection

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Remarks (2 Minutes, Please)

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Acknowledgements and Obituary

Eulogy
Elder Melvin Weddington
United House of Prayer
Biddleville Mission-Charlotte, NC

Interment
Kelly's Chapel Cemetery
Bessemer City, North Carolina

#### When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not here to see
If the sun shall rise and find your eyes all filled with tears for me
I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today
While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say
I know how much you loved me as much as I loved you
And each time that you think of me I know you'll miss me too
But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name and
took me by the hand

And said my place was ready in heaven far above
For all my life I'd always thought I didn't want to die
And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love
But as I turned to walk away a tear fell from my eyes
I had so much yet to do, it seemed almost impossible that

I was leaving you

I thought of all the yesterdays, the good ones and the bad
I thought of all the love we shared and all the fun we had
If I could relive yesterday, I thought for just a while
I'd say good-bye and kiss you and maybe see you smile
But when I fully realized that this could never be
For emptiness and memories would take the place for me
So when tomorrow starts without me,
don't think we are far apart

For every time you think of me I'm right here in your heart.

Floral Bearers
Nieces and Friends

Pall Bearers
Nephews and Friends

#### Note of Chanks

The family would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the many thoughts and prayers and acts of kindness shown to us during our time of bereavement. God bless you all.

The Kennedy Family

#### Arrangements Were Entrusted to:

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Celebrating Her Life and Spirit Sister Karen Denise Kennedy March 26, 1966 June 3, 2021



Tuesday, June 8, 2021 Receiving of friends: 11:30 until 12 noon Celebration of Life: 12 noon

United House of Prayer 1208 N. York Street Gastonia, North Carolina

Elder Vince Weddington, Pastor Elder Melvin Weddington, Eulogist The Honorable C. M. Bailey-Bishop