

“I’m Free”

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard him call,
I turned my back and left it all
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of day
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I've savored much,
Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch
If my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief
Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

~ Anne Lindgren Davison

Services Entrusted To:
Leevy's Funeral Home
1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201

CELEBRATING THE
Life OF
Kevin B.
PEAY
OCTOBER 5, 1951 - JANUARY 30, 2024
FEBRUARY 9th, 2024
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Obituary

Mr. Kevin Bernard Peay was born on October 5, 1971, in Columbia, South Carolina. He was the youngest child of Tommie Jean Peay and the late Johnny Peay. He entered eternal rest on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, at MUSC Health University Medical Center.

Kevin was educated in the public schools of Richland County School District One, Columbia, South Carolina, graduating from W.J. Keenan High School. Affectionately known to his family, friends, and co-workers as “KP” or “Peay” he never met a stranger. Kevin's illustrious career in Law Enforcement spanned over 30 years, encompassing roles in both local and federal facilities. His journey was characterized by unwavering dedication and hard work, resulting in the accomplishment of multiple certifications that showcased his commitment to excellence. On January 31, 2022, Kevin concluded his remarkable service as a Senior Officer Specialist at the Federal Correctional Institution at Edgefield leaving behind a legacy of commitment, leadership, and a deep appreciation.

Kevin was a natural-born comedian in his own right, the self-proclaimed "Mayor" of Kennerly Road, "Grill Master", and the “King of the Two Step”. Kevin cherished moments with all of his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father Johnny Peay; his grandparents, Emma Lee Lorick, Wilbur N. Lorick, Johnny Tucker, and Geneva Rearden; Aunt Jacqui Johnson, and a cousin, JR Cochran.

He leaves to cherish his memory: Two Daughters, Shaquetta Barton-Davis (Vincent) and Kaylyn Thompson (Marquis), Two Sons, Kevin S. Peay Jr., and Jadan Williams, and reared as daughters Toniqua Mikell-Gossett (Bryan) and Nakia Barton. All affectionally known as “KP6”. Mother, Tommie Jean Peay, and Fiancée, April Sanders. Four grandchildren: Vincent Davis II, Angela Davis, Karter Barton, and Marquis Thompson, Jr.; Two Sisters, Ramona Annette Huff, and Wanda Corbitt; One Brother, Jonathan (Yolanda) Peay; One God Brother, Johnny (Phyllis) Brown; a host of nieces and nephews: Shakieya Corbitt, John Corbitt III, Gregory Pugh II, Aaliyah Peay, Darrell Herriott, Jaden Herriott, Alvin Cochran, III, Breanna Boykin, Brittany Corbitt, Alaisia Cochran, Kingston Corbitt, Skylar Timmons, and Wednesday Pugh. Kevin was affectionately loved by William Sanders (Ava Sanders, Alana Sanders, and William Sanders, Jr.), Erica Sanders (Emerson Price), Jada Reaves (Eli Reaves), special Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and a host of other loving relatives and friends who will miss him dearly.

Order of Service

*Reverend Debora Grant-Scotland, Officiating
St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church
Irmo, South Carolina*

Prelude.....	“I Shall Wear A Crown” <i>Recording by: Yolanda DeBerry</i>
Processional / Final Viewing.....	Clergy and Family
Invocation.....	Reverend Dr. Robert Scotland
Scripture Reading.....	Old Testament Psalms 23 New Testament John 14:1-6
Reflections (2 minutes).....	The Honorable Samuel Peay <i>Retired, Magistrate Judge</i> KP6 <i>Children of Kevin</i>
Slideshow Presentation.....	“He Saw The Best in Me” <i>Recording by: Bishop, Marvin L. Sapp</i>
Words of Comfort.....	Reverend Steven Evans <i>Bethel AME Church, Ridgeville, SC</i>
Recessional.....	“Really Gonna Miss You” <i>Recording by: Smokey Robinson</i>
Postlude & Benediction	

Acknowledgment

We, the family of Kevin Peay, would like to extend sincere appreciation for the many comforting messages, prayers, visits, cards, flowers, donations, and other expressions of love during our time of bereavement. Thank the physicians, nurses, and staff of Prisma Health Columbia, South Carolina, and MUSC Health University Medical Center Charleston, South Carolina. Words cannot express how much these acts of kindness have meant to us. Your many gestures of love and kindness have made this time easier for us to bear. May God bless and keep each of you. From each of us to all of you, Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

-The Peay and Lorick Family