

Celebration of Life



Kermit John Proctor

SUNRISE: March 15, 1947

SUNSET: April 28, 2022

Thornton Funeral Home, PA
3439 Livingston Road
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Kermit John Proctor-Obituary

HUSBAND | FATHER | SON | BROTHER | FRIEND

Kermit John Proctor was called home to be with the Lord on April 28, 2022.

Kermit was born to the late Edna and Phillip Proctor on March 15, 1947, in Washington, DC.

Kermit attended Frederick Douglass High School in Upper Marlboro, MD. After graduating, he worked in several telecommunication positions starting with C&P Telephone. He retired from Unity Health in Washington, DC.

In 1990, he met the love of his life, Janice Reid and united in holy matrimony on June 27, 1993. He and Janice enjoyed living in Clinton, MD and loved entertaining family and friends at their home. There you would see him cooking on the grill, telling jokes and playing bid whist. Kermit was a lover of sports especially football. On Sundays you would find him representing his favorite team, wearing his Washington "Commanders" jersey, cheering them on. Kermit loved fishing and taught many the sport. He loved to travel, enjoying blue water and white sand of the islands while exploring different locations.

On May 25, 1987, Kermit was blessed with a son, Spenser Blackwell. He and Spenser shared a very special bond. Kermit enjoyed spending time with his son, watching sports, traveling, teaching him how to grill, doing yard-work and the list goes on. Kermit taught Spenser and the many young men that came into his life, how to fend for themselves. Kermit loved his siblings and looked forward to their annual family reunion. On November 22, 2022, Kellie gifted Kermit with a comfort cat, "Mia." He adored Mia, and spoiled her as evidenced by the weekly packages that arrived with gifts for her including a "bling diamond" collar.

He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Matthew, Mervine Mason, Charles, Leo, Shirley Smith, and Ricky Proctor and in-laws Winston, Althea, Dorothy, Doris, David.

Kermit leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife Janice of 29 years, his son, Spenser Blackwell of Astoria, Oregon, daughters, Denise Woodard of Atlanta, GA and Tanya Stanfield of Clinton, MD, five grandchildren, Kellie Stanfield (who held a special place in his heart), Daicia, Charmaine and Tyler Jackson and, Kya Ramsey, three great-grandchildren, Joel and Karlie Richards and Dylan Jackson.

He also leaves to cherish his memory his brothers Vincent and Paul Proctor, his sisters Irene Proctor, Evelyn Swann, Gwynette Artis and Linda Proctor, and in-laws, Elaine, Joanne Proctor, George Artis and John Smith, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, friends and a devoted friend Richard (Rob) Robinson.

Order of Memorial Service

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Ralph D. Calhoun

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ralph D. Calhoun

Old Testament.....Psalm 121

New Testament...Revelation 21:1-7

MUSICAL SELECTION

John Smith III-It's So Hard to Say Goodbye to Yesterday

SILENT READING OF THE OBITUARY

LIFE TRIBUTE

Arlene Paige

Letter from.....Janice Proctor--Wife

Poem from.....Spenser Blackwell--Son

Letter from.....Tanya Stanfield--Daughter

Poem from.....Kellie Stanfield-Granddaughter

EXPRESSIONS

Family and Friends (2-3 minutes ea)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Arlene Paige

Eulogy

Pastor Morris Whitfield

True Fellowship, Church of God In Christ

MUSICAL SELECTION

John Smith III-Reach Out and Touch

To My Husband

Forever In My Heart

The moment that you left me
my heart was split in two
one side was filled with memories;
the other side died with you.

I often lay awake at night
when the world is fast asleep;
and take a walk down memory lane
with tears upon my cheek.

Remembering you is easy,
I do it everyday,
but missing you is a heartache
that never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart
and there you will remain,
you see life has gone on without you
but will never be the same.

Your loving wife, Janice





To My Loving Dad In Heaven

Our time together was special
So were the memories we made
And although you live in Heaven now
Those memories never fade

I bow my head in silence
And remember my dad with love
And I know that you are up there
Watching from above

Everyday's a struggle
And nothing feels the same
And my heart breaks a little more
Everytime I hear your name

You'll always be remembered
And time may heal my heart
But a piece of me is missing
Since the day we had to part

If Heaven is for Angels
Then I know that's where you'll be
And I know you will be waiting
When Heaven calls for me

Love, your one and only son, Spencer

A Letter to My Pops

From day one you came into our lives and captured my heart. Not one time did you EVER make me feel like I was not your daughter or that my kids were not your grandchildren. Often times I almost forgot that I wasn't your biological daughter because you answered the call every time I needed something and I always needed something!!! I have never met a human as kind and generous as you. I can honestly say, you were the nicest person I have ever met. You had morals and principles that made me want to be better. You set the bar so high, you're probably the reason I'm single now (lol). I understand that in this life we cannot possess people, we can only experience them. I'm grateful that you passed MY way and I was able to experience you for over 30 years. As you sail on to smoother seas you will be missed greatly.

I have no doubt that you have been blessed with open doors to the highest of heavens. From God we come, and surely to HIM shall we return.

Love eternally,

Best Daughter Girl - Tanya





**I cried when you passed away, I still cry today
Although I loved you dearly, I couldn't make you stay;**

**A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands at rest
God broke my heart to prove to me, he only takes the best;**

**I can't help but laugh and cry, when your memories pass on by;
Although I smile and seem carefree, I miss you Grampy and
that will always be;**

Love always,

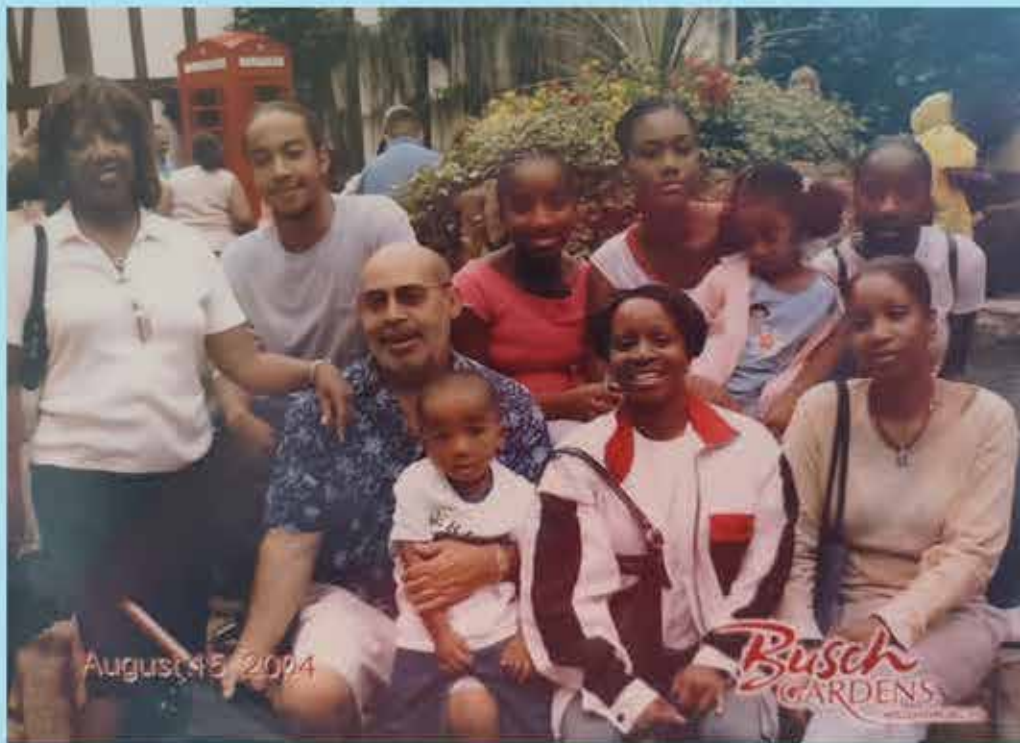
**Your darling granddaughter,
Kellie Rochelle**

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May God bless each of you.



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