

Expressions of Gratitude

The family of Thomas W. Kiah III would like to thank Ohio Health Hospice; Brittney, Chelsie, Julie, Barbara, Kathy and the entire staff. We also would like to thank Ohio Health Oncologists, Dr. Katherine Exten and Dr. Patrick Salibi for caring for our loved one. We wish to acknowledge with deep appreciation the expressions of love, kindness, prayers, calls, cards and visits. From the bottom of our hearts, we Thank You!

God saw you getting tired
and a cure was not to be;

So He put his arms around you
and whispered,

“Come with Me.”

With tearful eyes we watched you suffer
and saw you fade away.

Although we LOVED YOU DEARLY
we could not make you stay.

A GOLDEN HEART stopped beating
hard working hands at rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us

He only takes the best!

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A Celebration of the Life of



Thomas W. Kiah III

July 10, 1965 - May 28, 2023

The Chapel of Peace Mansfield
Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Visitation: 11:00am Memorial Service: 12:00pm

Obituary

Thomas Waldo Kiah III affectionately known as "Fella" passed this life on Sunday, May 28, 2023 after an extended illness. He was born on July 10, 1965 in Salisbury, Maryland to Thomas Waldo Kiah II and Charlotte Diane (Stillwell) Kiah.

A 1983 Graduate of Mansfield Senior High School, he continued his education following the legacy of his great grandfather, Dr Thomas Henry Kiah who was the longest serving President of Princess Anne College nee Princess Anne Academy; known to us today as The Historically Black College (HBCU) University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES). Named in his honor, Kiah Hall currently stands strong on the campus of UMES housing it business department. Honored to uphold the Kiah last name, Fella was extremely proud of the legacy that his family carries.

Fella was very charming - hence his chosen street name "Mello" but also known for his silly sense of humor, and his "gift of gab". He was indeed an entertainer and was always the life of the party!! He could make you laugh out loud and then follow up with something so intellectual that it would make you have to stop and think. He enjoyed "all things" sports with a Bud Light in hand. Football, Baseball, Golf, Tennis, Soccer and Basketball...being a Lebron James super fan! Throughout the years, he was employed with various manufacturers in Mansfield and its surrounding areas, ending his employment in April 2022 at Newman Technology due to his illness.

There's one thing about Fella that we all know to be true, he took a lot of pride in his appearance. Known to some as "Fella Fresh" for his bodacious sense of style, known to others as "Polo Man" because Ralph Lauren was his favorite designer. A splash of cologne, a fresh haircut, a finely fit fedora, and a pair of shoes for every outfit, he always dressed to impress and will be remembered for his million dollar smile that made a lasting impression on everyone he came in contact with. He will be missed immensely.

In addition to both of his parents, he leaves to cherish his memory, the love of his life, Lynn Perdue-Logan, their children Thomas Waldo Kiah IV (Carissa) and Taryn Kiah (Grandson, MaSiah Hoult), Bonus daughter, Laila Logan all of Detroit, MI. Son, Thomas Shandon Kiah of Tampa, FL.

3 Daughters, Kineesha Kiah, (Granddaughter, Ashia), JaVateona Jones (Brian), (Grandson BJ) both of Columbus, OH. and Kamelia Holt (Grandson Bryson & Granddaughter Lynniah) of Mansfield, OH.

3 Sisters, Kimberly Lindsay (Edward) of Mansfield, OH., Shevelle Kiah of Columbus, OH & Jennifer Collins (Jamyel) of Boston, MA. Special Brothers: Antonio "T Bone" Bowens, Darren Graves and Kenny Graves. Special Sister: Kelly Graves, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends to include Special Cousin: Taymara Graves & Special Niece: Niesha Lindsay of Bronx, New York.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother Eloise Stillwell, his paternal grandfather Thomas Waldo Kiah Sr., paternal grandmother; Lois Kiah and Bonus Grandmother, Mrs. Harlena Graves in which he shared an unbreakable bond.

Order of Service

Pastor Mark Cobb, Officiant

MUSICAL SELECTIONChapel of Peace Music Ministry

SCRIPTURE READINGPastor Jeanne Massey
Old Testament.....
New Testament.....

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....District Elder Eddie Massey

MUSICAL SELECTION Dawn Massey

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTSPastor Jeanne Massey

REMARKSThomas W. Kiah IV
Thomas Shandon Kiah

READING OF OBITUARY Read Silently

The Eulogy

Nathaniel D. Wren

BENEDICTIONNathaniel D. Wren

RECESSIONAL Clergy, Family, and Friends

I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me
though he were dead yet shall he live.
And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.
John 11:25-26