

## *Acknowledgement*

*We the family wish to extend our sincerest appreciation to our many friends or all of their kindness shown during our moments of sorrow. May God Bless each of you.*

*The Next Place  
I will travel empty-handed.  
There is not a single thing  
I have collected in my life  
That I would ever want to bring*

*Except...*

*The love of those who loved me,  
and the warmth of those who cared.  
The happiness and memories  
and magic that we shared.*

*Though I will know the joy of solitude..  
I will never be alone.*

*I'll be embraced by all the family and friends  
I've ever known.*

*Although I might not see their faces,  
All our hearts will beat as one,  
And the circle of our spirits  
Will shine brighter than the sun.*

*I will cherish all the friendship  
I was fortunate to find,  
All the love and all the laughter  
in the place I leave behind.*

*All these good things will go with me.  
They will make my spirit glow.  
And the light will shine forever  
In the next place that I go*

We Entrusted Our Loved One To The Golden Care Of:

**Golden Gate**

**Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC**

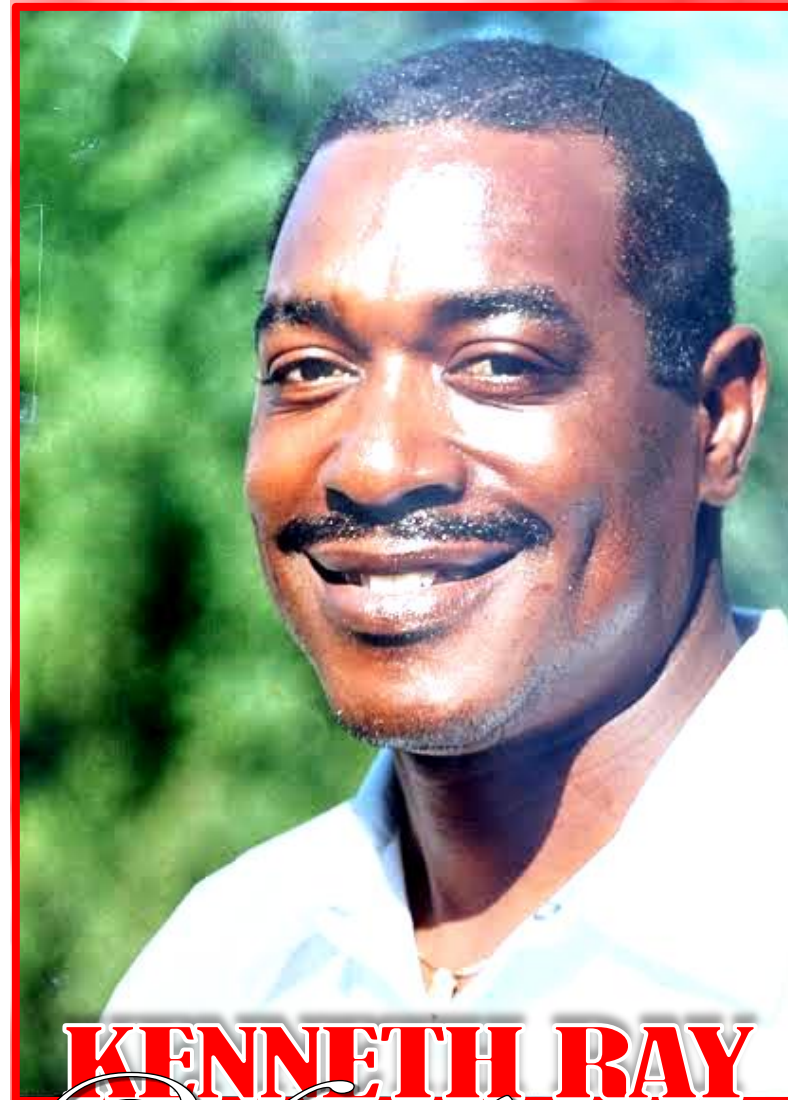
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**September 23, 1951 - August 18, 2022**



**KENNETH RAY**  
*Washam*

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF**

**Services Held At:**

**Golden Gate Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC.**

2800 East 18th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64127

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 ~ 3:00 p.m.

Pastor William F. Snorgrass, Officiating

# Reflections of His Life

Kenneth Ray Washam, (70), was born into this world on September 23, 1951, in Waynesboro, Mississippi, to the union of Emory and Lillie Mae Stallworth.

With his mother and siblings, Kenneth relocated from Mississippi to Kansas City, Missouri at the early age of 8 years old. Once there, he accepted Christ under Rev. John Oxley of Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

Through Kansas City Public Schools, Kenny completed his primary education at Wendell Phillips Elementary and his secondary education at Central High School.

Throughout his life, he was a Renaissance man, taking an interest in everything from cars, to sports, DIY projects and more. You name it, he could probably fix it. During his lifetime, Kenneth was employed at Sears Roebuck in the automotive department, received his CNA license and also worked at various cab companies and bus companies throughout KCMO, serving special needs children.

One of his biggest passions, however, was his green thumb. Maybe it was because of his Southern roots, but Kenny could and would plant and grow just about anything. He kept an immaculate yard and thriving garden. Other hobbies that took up his time included fishing, drag racing, and a love for roller skating.

After a long fought battle, Kenneth departed this life on Thursday, August 18, 2022 at the KC Hospice House and Palliative Care Facility. Though his health declined, his mind remained sharp, strong and lively. Kenny's smile and laughter was shared with many and he was always the life of the party. He was preceded in death by his parents; older brother, Eugene Washam and daughter, Kendra Washam-Williams.

Kenneth leaves to cherish his memory his children: sons, Kenneth Ray Barfield (Gina), Kelvin Williams, and Thomas Washam; daughters, Nikisha R. Washam, Tanya Brown (Henderson), and Tiara Washam-Williams; brother, JB Washam (Debra); sister, Retha Randolph (Marqus), and a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other family, and special friends.

# Order of Service

**Processional**

**Clergy & Family**

**Crowning Ceremony**

**Golden Gate**

**Old Testament**

**Pastor William F. Snorgrass  
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

**New Testament**

**Pastor William F. Snorgrass  
II Corinthians 5:6-8**

**Prayer**

**Pastor William F. Snorgrass**

**Selection**

**Tony Washam Fisher**

**Acknowledgements/Condolences**

**Poem**

**"Always in Your Heart"**

**Life Reflections**

**Read In Silence**

**"Roll Bounce"**

**Remarks**

**Family & Friends**

**Two (2) Minutes Please**

**Selection**

**LeAndria Johnson  
"Better Days"**

**Words of Comfort**

**Pastor William F. Snorgrass  
Progressive Baptist Church**

**Prayer of Committal & Benediction**

**Recessional**

