



KERRY D. BENSON

March 25, 1989 - March 3, 2014

Kerry D. Benson, 24, passed away Monday, March 3, 2014.

He was a member of Young's Chapel AME Church, employed with U of L Hospital, and Lowes, Clarksville, IN.,

He was a graduate from University of Louisville, PRP High School Class of 2007 and a former University of Kentucky basketball player.

He is survived by his mother: Kelly Benson, father: Terry Benson, siblings: Kameron Smith, Karmen and Kayla Benson, grandparents: Sylvia Brasher, Gwendolyn and Calvin Arnold, and Elzy and Deborah White, great-grandmothers: Irene Smith, and Amelia White, nephew: Kaden Smith, and a host of family and friends.

Visitation: 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Friday, March 7, 2014 at A. D. Porter & Sons, 1300 W. Chestnut St.

Funeral: 11 a.m. Saturday, March 8, 2014 at Quinn Chapel AME Church, 1901 W. Muhammad Ali Blvd.

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ *May God be with your family at this time and forward*

Joy Johnson - March 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ *Kelly, Im so sorry about your loss. Will be praying for you and your family.*

Tina A - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Kelly & Family. you have my deepest sympathy. I pray that God will continue to wrap his arms around you all to comfort and strengthen you. Love you*

Mary Crenshaw - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Kelly, There are no words that can adequately express my heartfelt sorrow. I was at Kerry's beautiful service on Sat. to hear all those loving and wonderful tributes. Please know that you & your family have been and will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers. With My Deepest & Heartfelt Sympathy, Jack McGill*

Jack McGill - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *My heart and prayers go out to the Benson family. I am so sorry that you have to endure this pain. I attended elementary and high school with Kerry and he was always a friendly person.*

Jessica Adams - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Praying for your friends and family.*

Ariel Moore - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

“ To my dearest family, some things I'd like to say...but first of all, to let you know, that I arrived okay.I'm writing this from heaven. Here I dwell with God above.Here, there's no more tears of sadness; here is just eternal love.Please do not be unhappy just because I'm out of sight.Remember that I'm with you every morning, noon and night.That day I had to leave you when my life on earth was through,God picked me up and hugged me and He said, "I welcome you."It's good to have you back again; you were missed while you were gone.As for your dearest family, they'll be here later on.I need you here badly; you're part of my plan.There's so much that we have to do, to help our mortal man.God gave me a list of things, that he wished for me to do.And foremost on the list, was to watch and care for you.And when you lie in bed at night, the day's chores put to flight.God and I are closest to you....in the middle of the night.When you think of my life on earth, and all those loving yearsbecause you are only human, they are bound to bring you tears.But do not be afraid to cry; it does relieve the pain.Remember there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain.I wish that I could tell you all that God has planned.But if I were to tell you, you wouldn't understand.But one thing is for certain, though my life on earth is o'er.I'm closer to you now, than I ever was before. There are many rocky roads ahead of you and many hills to climb;but together we can do it by taking one day at a time.It was always my philosophy and I'd like it for you too...that as you give unto the world, the world will give to you.If you can help somebody who's in sorrow and pain,then you can say to God at night....."My day was not in vain."And now I am contented....that my life has been worthwhile, knowing as I passed along the way, I made somebody smile. So if you meet somebody who is sad and feeling low, just lend a hand to pick him up, as on your way you go. When you're walking down the street, and you've got me on your mind; I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind. And when it's time for you to go.... from that body to be free, remember you're not going.....you're coming here to me. Ruth Ann Mahaffey (author) © Copyright 1998

CH

“ *KELLY My heart goes out to you and your family during this times. I hate that you have to go through this pain . I know , I known. God will help you through this and give you strength. once again my prays are with you .*

CHERRY - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Kelly and family you are in my prayers. God loves you and so do I. Joann Simpson*

A friendMar - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *kELLY AND FAMILY, I AM PRAYING FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO I. YOUR FRIEND, JOANN SIMPSON*

A friendMar - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *Kelly, sending prayers and hugs to you and your family. My brother Sandford and I send our deepest condolences. May God bless and comfort you. Praying for your continued strength and peace.*

Tammy Hall - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *Kelly and family, May God Bless you and your family in this time of need. You now have a guardian angel watching over you. God Bless!*

Sharonda Duerson - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ Kelly, God has you covered. Lean on Him. My prayers are with you and the family.

Audrey Dupree - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Our deepest sympathy and love to the Benson family. We will miss you Kerry but God has greater plans. Love you all! Larry, Robin and Madi Kihnley

Robin and Larry Kihnley - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Kelly, my prayers go out to you and your family. May God surround you with His strength and peace during this time and the days ahead. If you need anything at all, know that I am here for you. I love you! Matthew 5:4 – Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Demet McDaniel - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Kelly, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Lesa Schoenbachler - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ KEEPING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY IN OUR PRAYERS, DURING THIS TIME. MAY GOD GIVE YOU STRENGTH AND LET ALL OF HIS MEMORIES COMFORT YOU ALWAYS! ~THE BULLARD FAMILY

A friendMar - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Kelly and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I am keeping you guys in my prayers and know that God will see you through this difficult time.

Rhonda Peebles - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ My heart Breaks for you all ! Kerry was an amazing young man that holds a very special place in my heart. Gone but not forgotten. #25 PRP LOVE YOU TO ALL

Connie Delph Hopper - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Kelly & family, I can't begin to imagine the hurt you all are going through. I pray that God takes you all in his arms and gives you comfort and peace during this time of grief and sorrow. I am terribly sorry for your loss.

Jennifer Smith - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Kelly and Sylvia, My prayers our with you and your family.

Karla Groves - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Rest in eternal peace Kerry. Godbless his family I am deeply sorry for your loss.

Jennifer Edmunds - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ My thoughts and prayers to the Benson family. I worked with Kerry at UL hospital as a tech. We worked together in February and I will always remember that he had a smile on his face all day long! He was always so sweet to the patients and the rest of the staff. He will be missed in the rehab department at UL.

Brittany Anderson - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ My prayers to this young mans family. We shared the same barber and he was very mannerable and respectful. Sorry to hear about your loss

Mike Thomas Sr - March 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ This is so heartbreaking. I've quietly known Kerry most of my life and just never ever EVER thought something like this could happen. My prayers are with the family. You will never get over the loss and sadness; however, God will comfort you as you find a new normal without your beloved son, grandson, brother, and friend. Blessings, love, and peace! -Rev. Derek

Derek Terry - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Benson Family, Kerry was in my 3rd grade class at Shacklette Elementary. He was such a fine young man from a wonderful family! I'm so sorry for your loss! You all are in my thoughts and prayers, Beth Bullock

A friendMar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Our prayers are with your family. The Watkins Family(PR
Basketball Family)

Ray Watkins - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Lighting this Candle for a young man who let is light Shine
everywhere he was..... His Light Shined!! He lived and was a JOY to
his Family and Friends! May the Lord Bless his family..Kelly, Sylvia,
Karmen, Kamren, Kayla and the entire Smith and Benson Family
are in my continual PrayersMay the Lord be your Comforter and
Strength!

Raushanah Daniel - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ To Kelly and Sylvia, My prayers are with you and your family.

Karla Groves - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family. My children attended
school with Kerry and spoke very highly of him.

Chiquita Tarvin - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My daughter Brittany attended school with Kameron at Conway and
I remember Kerry running around with his mom at school functions.
He was a cute kid. I work for U of L hospital and know that a lot of
the physical therapists and other staff were very saddened by his
sudden passing. Grief can be so hard, but our special memories
help us cope. Will keep you and your family in our prayers.

Judy Bullard - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ To Kelly & family. Our State Farm Ins family have you and your family in our prayers. May God continue to bless and keep you.

Terryl - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ To Kelly, just wanted you to know we are thinking of you and your family. you have our deepest sympathies.

terryl mccray - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ A very special young man, the type of friend and person we can only pray our own children will find along their journey. So thankful for the time shared with him.

The Brauner family - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I have met Kerry once at my daughter Asuka's house during her housewarming. I know that Kerry and Asuka are very close friends and my family specially Asuka is devastated with what happened to Kerry. He was a very fine young man, very quiet and polite. To Kerry's family, God brought him to this world for a reason and God brought him home for a reason. He is in a better place now and I am sure he will be looking out for all of you. Take comfort in knowing that you have a special guardian Angel to watch over you. Kerry, may you rest in peace and you will truly be missed by a lot of people. God bless you and your family.

Merissa Shelburne - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ My Prayers are with you and your family Kelly B. Bless you!

Charles McGhee - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Kelly, I am so sorry for your loss wanted to let you know you and your family are in my prayers. I pray that God will comfort you with peace during this time.

Cheryl Ellery and family - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Our prayers go out to this family. God be with you

Concerned West End Mom - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Kelly, my heart is breaking for you and your family. I am so sorry for your loss. I love you all and you will stay in my prayers. Tracey (Fitzgerald) Griffin

A friendMar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Words can not express what your family is feeling. I pray for comfort for your family

Rhonda Perkins - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Kelly I am sorry that you and your family are experiencing such horrific loss. My heart goes out to you because I've experienced the same loss. As a mother I embrace you and can only say I know. I know. My heart aches for you and your family. I know.

Janet Goodner Mar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Prayers to this your man's family. God Bless!

Adrienne Jones Mar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ His Family: I am sorry for your loss. He was a very smart and great friend to me. Class of 2007 Go Panthers

Alyssa Shelton - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Kelly, i am so truly sorry about your loss. Your kids are your world, so i can only imagine what you are going thru right now. My prayers are with you and your family. I pray for your strength thur this hard time. I am always here for you and love you....

Tiffany Smith - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ You don't know me...but I wanted to express my heart felt condolences for the loss of your son, grandson, brother, uncle and friend...suh a tragic loss. Know that many thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

A Mother - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ God gained a new angel. Prayers with his family and friends.

Audrie Baker - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Kelly, I am so sorry for the loss of your dear son. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

Deborah Price - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Ms. Sylvia, Kelly & Kevin, I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. My prayers are with you and your family. God bless.*

Terri Summers - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ *His family: I am sorry for you loss. He was a great guy that had everything planned out in his life. He was a great friend to me and he will never be forgotten*

Norma Silliman - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

Mark - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ *Praying for the family. Remember to keep GOD first and he will see you through these hard times.*

Faye Cain - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ *May the God we serve continue to be with you and keep you strong. My prayers and thoughts are with the family. Friend of Sister Irene Smith.*

Frances Williams - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VD

“ Kelly- I am sorry for your loss. I pray that God strengthens you and the family during this time. You all will continue to be in my prayers.~ Venita DeFreeze

Venita DeFreeze - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ The Joy of the Lord is your Strength.

LaTanya Germany - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Kelly, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.

Kimberly Williams - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ dear Kelly, I am sickened and saddened for the lose of Kerry, I am so glad I was able to meet him as grown up, just those few times that I meet him, I thought, NOW THATS A GREAT BOY. You all did a great job raising him. you and your family are in my thought and parents. I love ya girl, Lori (your old friend from bi-rite, and value city)

A friendMar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ Kelly and Family, May God provide you strength and comfort.

Felicia Puryear - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ panthers forever!!

Delph Mar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Prayers for the Benson & Smith Families. Earth has No Sorrows that Heaven cannot Heal. May the Presence of the Lord Strengthen and Keep You. Hattie Davis & Dunbar Family

Toyia Dunbar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Earth has no SORROW THAT HEAVEN CAN NOT HEAL PRAYING FOR YOUR FAMILY.

Kimberly Brim - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ To the entire family, our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time of such great loss. Kerry was a wonderful young man that we have known since he was a young boy. He was always kind, friendly and thoughtful. We will remember him always as part of our Youngs Chapel family. May you all be blessed and comforted by the love you all shared and the great memories he left in all of our hearts. He will be missed and fondly remembered. Ann, Greg, Adia and Jelenah Grigsby

Ann Hagan - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ To Kelly and Family: My heart goes out to you. Keep the faith and your hands in God's hands. Praying for your strength and peace.

Laverne Brasher Mar - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ My condolences go out to the entire family. Thought I have no ties to the deceased or family, I would still like to leave a comforting thought. It is very hard to lose a cherished loved one. Please take great comfort in knowing that you all have the opportunity to see your loved one again. God will call and they will answer! (John 5:28,29)

A Concerned Reader - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I am praying for all of Kerry's friends and family. Kerry was always a very nice and sweet guy and whenever I was around him he put a smile on my face. He was a friend to all he met. He will truly missed and to see how many people he touched during his time here on Earth is a true blessing. I thank God that I was blessed to know him. We love you Kerry and we can never forget you. Praying so hard for his loved ones.

Taryn McCravy - March 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Grief is so hard to bear, but memories are special thoughts that never leave your heart. My family is praying for you and your family on the loss of such a wonderful young man! May God give you strength!

Doris Montgomery - March 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM