



## Kim Diane Adams

August 25, 1956 - June 16, 2022

There are lights that refuse to dim. Stars that shine brightest even in the backdrop of darkness. Our beautiful light, Kim Diane Lewis Adams, entered this world on August 25, 1956 and her glorious essence transitioned to the next leg of her journey on June 16, 2022.

Born in Hahn, Germany to Viola B. Brown and Will Lewis, Jr., both preceding her in death, Kim saw so much of the world on this side, shining that dazzling smile wherever she went. After graduating in 1974 from Fort Knox High School (Fort Knox, KY), she set off to Purdue University where she became a member of the illustrious Black, Greek-letter organization, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated (Zeta Theta Chapter) in 1977 and graduated in 1978.

Kim saw education as an important key to personal and professional growth and continued hers by receiving a Master's degree from University of Alaska at Fairbanks in 1991 and, in 1994, a Juris Doctorate degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, OH. She would go on to use that education to serve as a state attorney in Miami, Florida (1995) and the Dean of Students at the University of Miami (1996).

All of us who love Kim, remember her amazing creativity. That light of hers shown in every painting she created, poem she wrote, and play she scripted. She was your favorite artist's favorite artist and her artwork graces the walls of

many homes around the world. During her time living in Alaska, she solidified her love of Drama, Playwriting and Fashion and was critically acclaimed for her stage play, Rhapsody in Black. She was also the host of several community television programs. Her love of the arts drove a career shift at the turn of the 21st century and in 2002 she became an Art and Drama teacher for Rochelle School of the Arts in Lakeland, FL. In 2016, she retired to Estero, FL where she continued to paint and write and share her love for the arts with her friends and family, especially her grand-babies.

More than anything, Kim loved her family. Through the highs and lows, ups and downs, that inevitably comes with life and living, her heart was always filled to overflowing with love and compassion for her children, siblings, extended family, and friends. She leaves two sons who she loved with all her heart, David Joel Adams Jr. (Kerrie) and Ian Mitchel Adams; two beautiful grandchildren, Dez and Brklyn, and a beautiful new grand baby arriving next year. She also leaves behind two sisters, Deanise Foree (Calvin) and Lisa Coachman, and a brother, Keath Lewis. Her sister, Renee Rosenberg, preceded her in death. Also mourning her passing are numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, close friends, and coworkers.

Maya Angelou once wrote, "My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style." Our dear Kim lived by this and has left a shining legacy of joy and perseverance that will forever bless us all.

A memorial service in Kim's honor will be held at 2pm Friday, July 8, 2022 at A.D. Porter & Sons Funeral Home, 1300 W. Chestnut St.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

A. D. Porter and Sons Funeral Home - Downtown

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# Tribute Wall

JA

“ We are Able, because of the Power in joined Prayers, by those who Believe and Trust in GOD. Adams/Brodie/ Davis family. ❤️

J. Adams-Brodie-Davis - July 08, 2022 at 12:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kim Diane Adams.



July 05, 2022 at 10:55 PM

BT

“ Barry, Keysha & DMED Team purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Kim Diane Adams.



Barry, Keysha & DMED Team - July 01, 2022 at 11:23 AM

PW

“ Peggy Wray-Tolbert purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Kim Diane Adams.



Peggy Wray-Tolbert - June 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM



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June 29, 2022 at 08:33 PM