



Kenneth Merle Coleman

January 4, 2025

Kenneth heard the master call his name and answered to the call early on Saturday, January 4, 2025. He transitioned to the other side after a brief illness at West Jefferson Hospital in Marrero, Louisiana. He was the son the son of Charles and Marion Lassere Coleman-Thomas. Kenneth was raised by his mother and stepfather Phillip Harry Thomas in the New Orleans Carrollton community in the 1950's. He was christened as a baby at AME Methodist Church, 6540 Cohn Street in New Orleans, Louisiana. At the age of ten, his family moved and relocated to Jefferson Parish West Bank Walkertown community in Marrero, Louisiana.

Kenneth attended James Weldon Johnson Elementary in New Orleans and eventually transferred to Lincoln Elementary and Lincoln High School. He graduated and received his diploma with the outstanding class of 1963. immediately after graduating he enrolled as a student at Southern University at New Orleans. Later he attended Spencer Business School and graduated in 1966. Kenneth became involved in the Nation Civil Rights Movement and was one of the founding organizers of the first Walkertown Youth Group in the early 12960's. He then became a community organizer and leader. His college involvement helped him to land a golden opportunity to become employed by one of the world's largest oil company, Mobile Oil - New Orleans District. He started his journey with the company on October 3, 1966; Kenneth was excited and so proud to be employed with a huge United States Oil Company.

On May 1, 1999, after working 33 years with the company, he retired from Mobile/Exxon Cooperation.

Kenneth was the grandson of Hilliard and Edna Lassere, nephew of the late Frank, Warren, Milton, Henry, Marion, Dorothy Lassere and Egress Lassere Moon, brother of the late Michael Charles Coleman (Brenda). Uncle of Nicole J. Coleman, PhD and Dacia M. Coleman.

Kenneth was a devoted and dedicated husband to Diane Carter-Coleman, father of Terry Wendell Coleman Sr., Corey C. Coleman. Grandfather of Akia Dubois, Jenne' Snowden (Eric), the late Deville Murphy, Terry Wendell Coleman Jr. (De'Shuante). Great-Grandfather of Makayla, Amenda, Tayala and baby Bralyen Coleman.

One of Kenneth favorite scripture was Galatians 6:10 "As we therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men." Prior to his membership at Regular, he was a member at Second Good Hope Baptist Church of Algiers from 1997 to 2009. There he served in several ministries that included Superintendent of Sunday School, Church Clerk, and Head Deacon. He places his membership at Regular in 2009 and served as President of Man of Faith, President and Vice President of History Ministry, a member of the male Choir and member of the Health Ministry. Kenneth received many honors and awards on a local and state level including but not limited to Certificate of Merit for outstanding and dedicated service from Governor Kathleen Blanco, Jefferson Parish President, Aaron Broussard, Mayor Ernest Dutch Morial, New Orleans Civil Sherrif, Paul Valteau and New Orleans Inner Lions Internation.

Relatives and friends of the family, also local churches and community members are invited to attend Funeral Services for Kenneth M. Coleman on Saturday, January 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at Regular Baptist Church, 901 5th Street, Gretna, LA. Visitation will begin at 9:00 a.m to 10:00 a.m. Rev. T.A.

Hodge, Pastor Officiating. Interment: Restlawn Park Cemetery, 3540 Highway 90 W, Avondale, LA 70094. Arrangements entrusted to Duplain W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 1020 Virgil Street, Gretna, LA 70053.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Regular Baptist Church
901 5th St.
Gretna, LA 70053

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“*Bro. Kenneth Coleman and Sis. Diane Carter Coleman were one of the most beautiful and loving couples we have ever had the opportunity to know. Thank you for being mentors to Bro. Charles, Sis. Wanda, and the RBC History Ministry; as well as, for the example you set for what Christian marriage should be. Bro. Coleman a kind gentleman and a friend will be missed by all of us.*

Bro. Charles and Sis. Wanda Davis



Wanda Davis - January 20, 2025 at 04:58 PM

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“*Condolences to my classmate family. Diana you and your family are in my prayers. May God bless this family in their time of grief.*
Patricia A. Nicholas Cypress Texas

Patricia A Nicholas - January 16, 2025 at 06:00 PM