



Kevin L West

October 28, 1978 - September 27, 2021

Kevin Lamar West, 42, of Manchester, CT, passed away on September 27th, 2021 in Hartford, CT.

He was a devoted, husband and father. He brightened everyone's day with his contagious smile and was always full of jokes. He loved traveling! His favorite place to travel was Montreal. He was an avid reader who loved the works of James Baldwin, W.E. Dubois and Richard Wright just to name a few.

Although Kevin loved to joke around, he had a brilliant mind; he was opened minded and he loved to share his knowledge of black culture, racial injustice, politics, healthy living and he kept abreast of current events.

He was an advocate for those in marginalized communities (food insecurity, housing, government sponsored assistance programs). He also loved music, sports and spending time with family and friends.

He was grateful for every milestone that the Lord allowed him to see, such as the birth of his son, granddaughter, his son graduating from high school and was present when his son started college.

Kevin changed his diet to become vegan about 10 years ago and loved to create new vegan dishes for the family. He would read a recipe or eat a dish at a restaurant and duplicate it.

He loved to draw. His favorite characters were Charlie Brown and Snoopy. Every year he would watch the special “A Charlie Brown Christmas” with the family.

Kevin was born in Wilmington, Delaware on October 28, 1978 to Denise West and Winston Truitt. He married Barbara West on September 8, 2017 in Manchester, CT. He grew up in the Washington, DC – Maryland area where he attended school. He graduated from Northwestern High School in Adelphi, MD and attended George Washington University.

He worked as a Manager for Nouria Energy-Golden Nozzle for over two years. He was promoted to Manager after three months of joining Nouria Energy due to his high work ethics. He always exceeded the financial goals set by the company and was rewarded for his efforts.

Kevin had a big heart and loved helping others, he spent several years volunteering his time at Friends of the Homeless, a men’s shelter serving food; at Van Sickle Middle School tutoring youth in Math and as a Library Assistant. Kevin also worked as a Hospice Care Volunteer at Care Alternatives in Massachusetts. Kevin loved animals and was known to rescue stray or abused pets. He had a rescue dog “Sam” whom he loved so much!

Kevin was preceded in death by his twin sons Andre and Alexander West; his father, Winston Truitt; maternal grandparents, Jerome and Catherine West; and paternal grandmother, Helen M. Truitt.

He leaves a legacy of love to his wife Barbara West; mother, Denise West; son, Kevin Lamar West Jr. (mother, Natalie Ojunga-Andrew); daughter in love, Nia Murvin (mother, Natalie Ojunga-Andrew); brothers, Pastor Keenan West (Jeneen) and Winston Pipkin; sister, Dana Brown; granddaughter, Draya

Euphoria Simmons; nieces, Taylor Chambers, Destiny Brown, Kaia West and Kelsi West; nephews, Kohen West and Desmond Pipkin; a host of in-laws, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

The family of Kevin Lamar West extend our sincere thanks to everyone who has reached out to us in love, prayers, sent cards, flowers and condolences during this difficult time. For those of you who shared stories and pictures of Kevin, we thank you. Please continue to keep the family in prayer.

Previous Events

Service

OCT 9. 10:00 AM (ET)

Immanuel Church
2414 Pennsylvania Ave
Wilmington
Wilmington, DE 19806

Burial

OCT 9 (ET)

Gracelawn Memorial Cemetery
2220 North Dupont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720

Tribute Wall



“ Gore Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Kevin L West



Gore Funeral Home - October 09, 2021 at 07:13 PM

CH

“ My sincere condolences to the West family.

Carleater Holmes - October 10, 2021 at 08:22 PM

NO

“ I will never forget Kevin for all the days of my life! He gave me one of the greatest gifts, his gift of love and of a son. From the time we were 17 and 18 years old to the day of his passing, we have gone through so many things together, the ups and the downs. In those 25 years of him being in my life, I've watched him make a total transformation into a phenomenal man. He became an exceptional father to our son who was forever his priority. He always had a heart of gold and would help so many people in need. Kevin will always hold a special place in my heart that only he could fill. May he rest in peace and power until Jesus comes for him. And may he continue to watch over our Kevin Jr. and speak to him in spirit with the things KJ needs to hear. I love you Kevin!

Natalie Ojunga-Andrew - October 10, 2021 at 09:11 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kevin L West.*



October 08, 2021 at 06:16 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kevin L West.*



October 08, 2021 at 08:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kevin L West.*



October 07, 2021 at 09:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kevin L West.*



October 07, 2021 at 09:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kevin L West.*



October 06, 2021 at 08:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kevin L West.*



October 06, 2021 at 02:13 PM



“ *Kathy lit a candle in memory of Kevin L West*



Kathy - October 06, 2021 at 01:13 PM



“ *Kevin always had a smile and a hug whenever I saw him. A smile that would instantly make me smile. He didn't have to say anything, his smile alone said it all.
Of course when he was little, that smile was turned upside down, because he was a crrrrrryyyyyy baby 😊 You will be missed by many and I love you nephew.
Love always, Aunt Kathy!!*

Kathy - October 06, 2021 at 01:12 PM

E.

I like to write a short poem to share the Kevin I unfortunately didn't get to know personally however, this is the Kevin I came to know through his Mother's eyes. I was able to know what kind of man he was and life he lived.

Kind

Effective

Victorious

Intelligent

Now and forever praising God with the Angels!!!!

You will be missed and your Mother is blessed to have you as a child growing into the man you became. God bless the West family during this time of bereavement. I can truly attest to Rev. West is very proud of both of her children and Grandchildren as well.

I couldn't make it to the services but my prayers have gone forth for a peaceful sunny day to celebrate his homecoming. God Bless you all, love Sis. Edna

E.Haywood - October 08, 2021 at 07:44 PM

AD

“ Aunt Doreen lit a candle in memory of Kevin L West



Aunt Doreen - October 06, 2021 at 08:50 AM