



If Tomorrow Starts Without Me

If tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see,
 If the sun should rise you find your eyes all filled with tears for me;
 I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,
 While thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me, as much as I love you
 And each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.
 But when tomorrow starts without me please try to understand,
 That an angel came and called my name and took me by the hand.

He said my place was ready, in heaven far above
 And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

We, the family of the late Karsten A. Crewell, would like to express our sincere gratitude to those of you who so kindly celebrated his life along with us. Your many acts of kindness, encouraging words, and most of all your prayers have sustained us during this difficult time. May God forever bless you.

In loving memory of Karsten, thank you all.



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HONORING
the Legacy
 OF



MR. *Karsten*
Alonzo
CREWELL
"KC"

SUNRISE
 October 16,
 1972

SUNSET
 September 12,
 2020

Saturday, September 19, 2020
 1:00 p.m.

Myers Mortuary and Cremation Services
 Rev. Samuel B. Marshall Memorial Chapel
 2624 Alpine Road, Columbia, SC 29223
 Reverend Sherman McBeth, Officiant

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A TIME TO BE BORN.

Karsten Alonzo Crewell was born on October 16, 1972 in Columbia, South Carolina to Elease Scott Crewell and Alonzo Crewell. Karsten was full of life and had a heart of a servant. He transitioned to the pearly gates of Heaven on Saturday, September 12, 2020. He was baptized at an early age at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Eastover, South Carolina.

A TIME TO LIVE.

Karsten, affectionately known as "KC", believed that a strong education, coupled with steadfast stewardship, was among the most important necessities that any student of life should embody. He was a man of strength, astounding wisdom and abounding love for his family. Anyone who knew him knew how much he loved his family, friends and students. He was known and loved by many. His angelic singing voice graced the ears of thousands. Karsten sung throughout the community including concerts, homegoing celebrations and a rendition for the Miss South Carolina Pageant. He wrote and composed the soundtrack for Kwanzaa, a production put on by the Columbia Town Theatre. He became known as a "Wedding Singer", performing at weddings across multiple states including South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia. His voice was able to touch your soul, as demonstrated today by his medley of songs. He was an amazing product of the Richland County School District One educational system. He was a proud Shamrock. He graduated from Eau Claire High School in 1990. Karsten served as Student Body President, a singer in the Honors Chorus, as well as the Gospel Choir. In addition to the Honors Chorus and Student Body President, he was Mr. Zodiac while at Eau Claire. He graduated from the University of South Carolina obtaining a Bachelor of Arts in English and Secondary Education in 1994. While at USC, Karsten was an avid member of UMOJA (for Black Unity and Empowerment) and he also performed in several talent shows throughout his duration. "KC" ministered through music as a member of the Capital City Chorale and the Men's Chorus, under the direction of Marcus and Doris Works. In addition, he was currently pursuing a Master of Education at Columbia College. Karsten was a lifelong, natural born teacher. He served as a marketing assistant at Palmetto Richland Hospital and Manager of Campaign at United Way Association of SC SECC. "KC" additionally used his experience working at the US Attorney's Office to aid in fostering his personal development. Karsten was also formerly employed by Richland County School District One as an educator. He graced the classrooms of Hyatt Park Elementary and

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Eau Claire High School. "KC" was an eloquent speaker; whose words spoke volumes to those within bounds. As one of his students once stated, "To speak with Mr. Crewell, you need a dictionary on hand". His level of intellect spoke volumes and he continuously shared his knowledge with the world. He was a true steward who touched the hearts and minds of thousands while also motivating others to achieve personal aspirations. Karsten had a passion for helping others whether it was in the classroom or community. He yearned to do all that he could for everyone. He was employed as a commercial landscaper with Green Earth Services Inc. This extended to entrepreneurship. He founded his own company, "Klean Cut Lawn Care", while extending his love for the outdoors and passion to help others.

A TIME TO CHERISH.

Karsten was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Frank Scott and Wilbert Crewell; and a paternal aunt, Marian Crewell Ray.

Karsten Crewell leaves to cherish his loving mother, Elease Crewell; father, Alonzo (Margaret) Crewell; two grandmothers, Emma Lee Scott of Eastover, SC and Geneva Crewell of Gulfport, MS; a paternal aunt, Wilma Faye Smith of Atlanta, GA; four siblings, Sybil (Brandon) McCoy, Adam (Raven) Crewell, Tinisha Riley and Braxton Crewell. "KC" loved his nieces and nephews, Jasmine Crewell, Raegan Crewell, Amber Huff, Jaelen Crewell, Lauryn Hall, Matthew McCoy, Khamari Keel, Maegan Crewell, Adonis Woods, and Armani Riley Crewell, as if they were his own children. Karsten leaves behind two grand nieces, Nyla and Layla Simmons, as well as a host of cousins, relatives and friends; all of whom will miss him dearly. Karsten's stewardship, humility, character, and passion for education accompanied with the contributions to his family, friends and community is the epitome of a beautiful soul. Karsten's legacy will live on forever in each and every one of us.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Reverend Sherman McBeth, Officiant

Prelude

Processional "His Eye is on the Sparrow"
Karsten Crewell

Final Farewell to our Beloved KC Myers Mortuary

Opening Song "I Need You Now"
Karsten Crewell

Scripture
Old Testament ~Psalms 147 Reverend Sherman Mcbeth
New Testament ~Matthew 11:20-30 Reverend William Amaker

Prayer of Solace

Reflections Mr. Quester Byrd, Friend

Acknowledgements

Musical Renditions
"It Won't Rain Always"
"Keeper of Promises"
Songs by our dear KC with Capital City Chorale

Words of Encouragement Ms. Emma Lee Scott, Grandmother

Musical Selection "Amazing Grace"
Karsten Crewell

Committal

Prayer

Benediction

Recessional "Three Little Birds"
Karsten Crewell

Postlude