



IN LOVING
Memory

Rev. Dr. Kevin Raynard Wright

JULY 15, 1959 - MAY 25, 2026

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

SATURDAY JUNE 20, 2026

10:00 AM EST - Visitation/Family Hour

11:00 AM EST - Service

Second Calvary Baptist Church

114 Nelson Avenue, Charlotte, NC 28216

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION OF
Rev. Dr. Kevin Raynard Wright

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional.....Family and Friends.....II:00 am

Prelude

Hymn.....Lead Me Guide Me

Invocation.....Dr. Gregory Nkrumah K

Scriptural Readings

Old Testament:Psalms 46

New Testament.....Romans 8:38 - 39

Selection.....Second Calvary Music Ministry

Silent Reading of the Obituary

Remarks (2 mins)

Reggie Ross: Friend from St. Paul Baptist Church
Clayton Harding: Childhood friend from Brooklyn, NY
Dr. Gregory Nkrumah K: Mentor

Acknowledgements

Selection.....Second Calvary Music Ministry

Eulogy.....Dr. Ralph McCormick, Pastor

Benediction

Recession

Private Interment



**“THE LEGACY OF REVEREND DOCTOR
KEVIN RAYNARD WRIGHT:
A Life of Faith, Service, Leadership, and Love”**

July 15, 1959

Born

- Brooklyn, New York
- Born to Horace Wright and Mary Wright

1960s - 1970s

Childhood & Sports

- Raised in Brooklyn, New York
- Developed a love for basketball, stickball, baseball, and football
- Spent summers in Newton, North Carolina with his grandparents
- Played third base for the Klopman Mills Giants Little League team
- Helped win multiple county championships
- Played neighborhood football at his grandparents' home and at "The Red Field"

1973 - 1977

Canarsie High School

- Attended Canarsie High School, Brooklyn, NY
- Played Junior Varsity & Varsity Football
- Starting Wide Receiver (#88)
- Named to the Brooklyn 66 All-Star Team as a senior

1977 - 1981

Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
Emphasis in Management and Economics

March 1980

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc

Death 80

Chilly K #9

1984 (Resurrection Sunday/Easter)

Accepted Christ

1989

Moved to North Carolina establishing his professional career as an accountant and ministerial legacy.

1992

Call to Ministry

1993

Licensed to Preach

1996

Ordination

1997

Master of Divinity

- Hood Theological Seminary
- Graduated Magna Cum Laude

1990s-2020s

Professional Career

- Senior Accountant
- Financial Analyst
- Accounting Manager
- More than 25 years in accounting and finance

2007

Doctor of Ministry | Erskine Theological Seminary

Ministry Service



Saint Paul Baptist Church | Gastonia, NC - Pastor

Mount Vernon Missionary Baptist Church | Iron Station, NC - Pastor

Second Calvary Baptist Church | Charlotte, NC -

Associate Minister

under the leadership of Dr. Ralph McCormick - Pastor



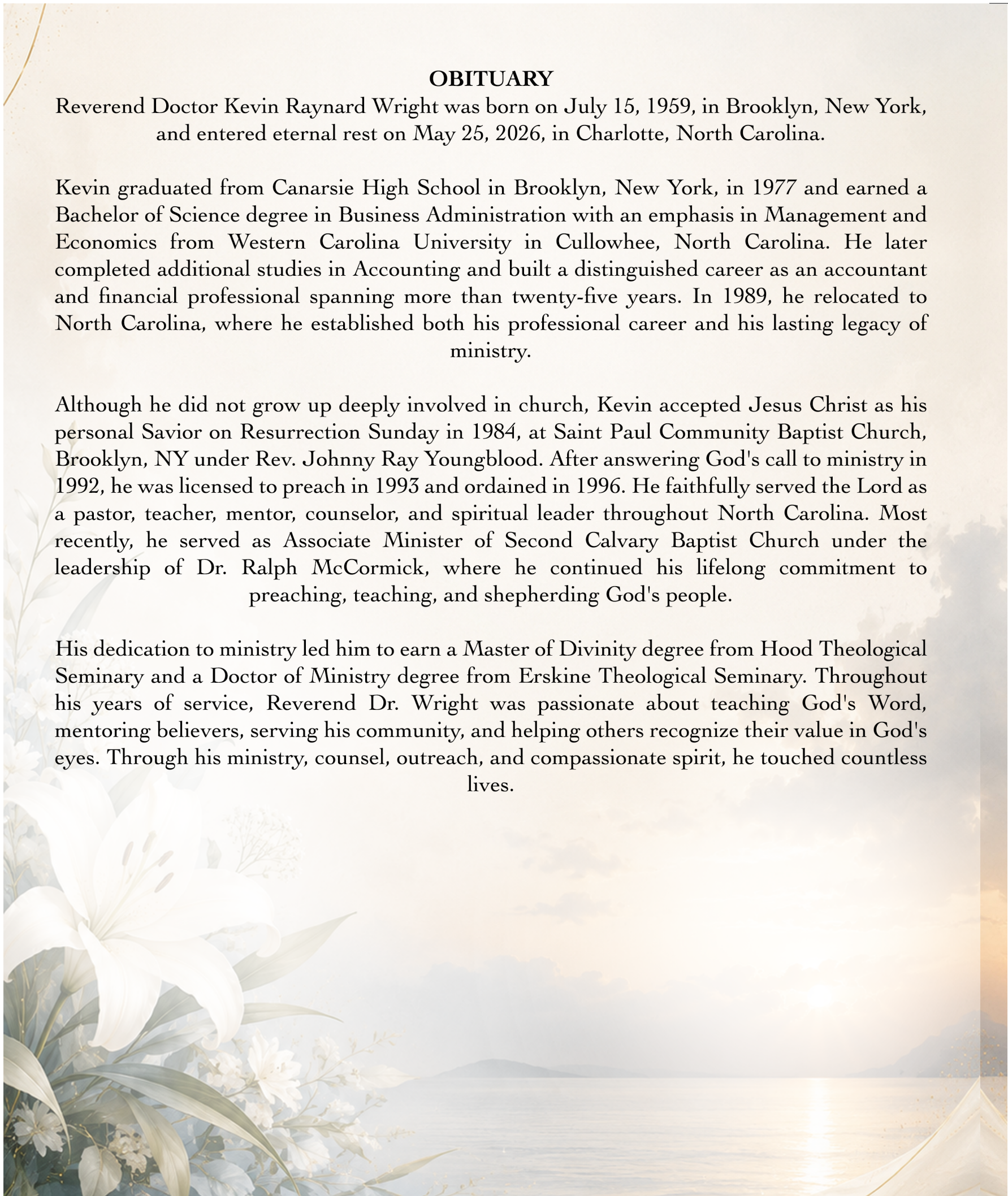
OBITUARY

Reverend Doctor Kevin Raynard Wright was born on July 15, 1959, in Brooklyn, New York, and entered eternal rest on May 25, 2026, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Kevin graduated from Canarsie High School in Brooklyn, New York, in 1977 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Management and Economics from Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina. He later completed additional studies in Accounting and built a distinguished career as an accountant and financial professional spanning more than twenty-five years. In 1989, he relocated to North Carolina, where he established both his professional career and his lasting legacy of ministry.

Although he did not grow up deeply involved in church, Kevin accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior on Resurrection Sunday in 1984, at Saint Paul Community Baptist Church, Brooklyn, NY under Rev. Johnny Ray Youngblood. After answering God's call to ministry in 1992, he was licensed to preach in 1993 and ordained in 1996. He faithfully served the Lord as a pastor, teacher, mentor, counselor, and spiritual leader throughout North Carolina. Most recently, he served as Associate Minister of Second Calvary Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Ralph McCormick, where he continued his lifelong commitment to preaching, teaching, and shepherding God's people.

His dedication to ministry led him to earn a Master of Divinity degree from Hood Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Erskine Theological Seminary. Throughout his years of service, Reverend Dr. Wright was passionate about teaching God's Word, mentoring believers, serving his community, and helping others recognize their value in God's eyes. Through his ministry, counsel, outreach, and compassionate spirit, he touched countless lives.



Kevin developed a love for sports at an early age. Growing up in Brooklyn, he could often be found on the basketball court or playing stickball with neighborhood friends. During summers spent with his grandparents in Newton, North Carolina, he honed his baseball skills as the starting third baseman for the Klopman Mills Giants, helping the team capture multiple championships. He also enjoyed football and was a standout wide receiver at Canarsie High School, where he played both junior varsity and varsity football. As a senior, he was selected to the Brooklyn 66 All-Star Team. Though he chose to focus on academics after high school, his love for sports remained a constant throughout his life. Whether watching the Dallas Cowboys or Alabama Crimson Tide football, he remained a dedicated and enthusiastic fan.

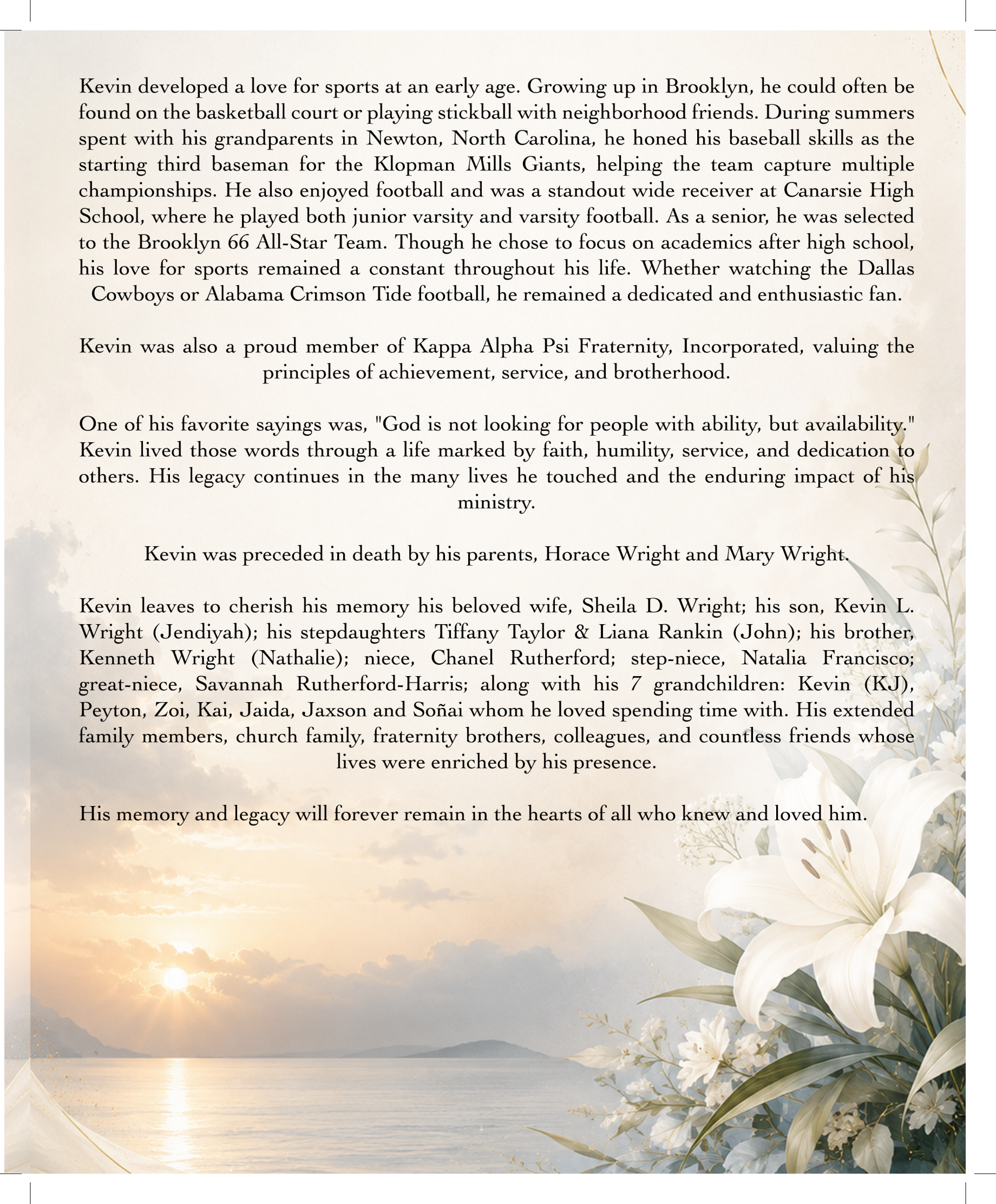
Kevin was also a proud member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, valuing the principles of achievement, service, and brotherhood.

One of his favorite sayings was, "God is not looking for people with ability, but availability." Kevin lived those words through a life marked by faith, humility, service, and dedication to others. His legacy continues in the many lives he touched and the enduring impact of his ministry.

Kevin was preceded in death by his parents, Horace Wright and Mary Wright.


Kevin leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Sheila D. Wright; his son, Kevin L. Wright (Jendiyah); his stepdaughters Tiffany Taylor & Liana Rankin (John); his brother, Kenneth Wright (Nathalie); niece, Chanel Rutherford; step-niece, Natalia Francisco; great-niece, Savannah Rutherford-Harris; along with his 7 grandchildren: Kevin (KJ), Peyton, Zoi, Kai, Jaida, Jaxson and Soñai whom he loved spending time with. His extended family members, church family, fraternity brothers, colleagues, and countless friends whose lives were enriched by his presence.

His memory and legacy will forever remain in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.





Family Tree




A limb has fallen from the family tree
I hear a voice that whispers, 'Grieve not for me'
Remember the best times, the laughter the songs
The good I lived while I was strong.
Continue my heritage, I'm counting on you,
Keep on smiling, the sun will shine through.
My mind is at ease, my soul is at rest
Remembering all... how I was truly blessed,
Continue traditions, no matter how small.
Go on with your lives, don't stare at the wall;
I miss you all dearly so keep up your chin
Until that fine day we're together again.

~~~Acknowledgements~~~

We thank God that He has used each of you, to help make this journey less difficult. Your prayers, cards, calls, visits and expressions of love and sympathy have strengthened us and served as poignant reminders of God's love. Our sincere gratitude knows no bounds; we thank you so much!

We are so grateful to God for the time He gave us with our loved one and the precious memories we have to share. Our adjustment to his absence is made less painful due to the loving comfort of our God through Christ Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

Special thanks to...



Second Calvary Baptist Church Family
Staff of Alexander Funeral Home
Atrium Health Community & Social Impact Team
Atrium Health Neuro ICU Staff

The Family of the Late
Reverend Doctor Kevin Raynard Wright

