

Celebration of Life for
Kay Francis Geter

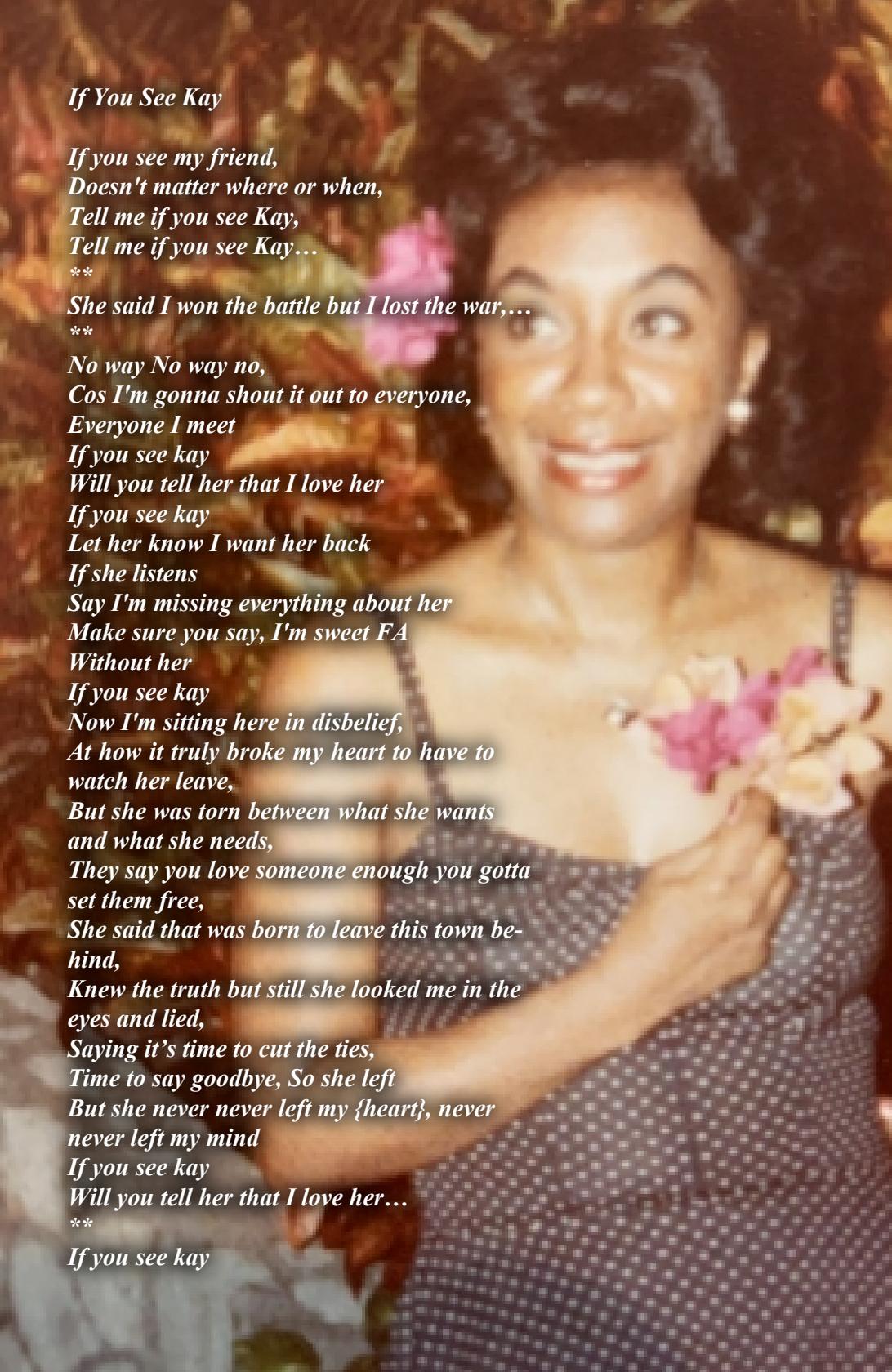
Sunrise
December 9, 1937



Sunset
January 30, 2020

Memorial Service
Saturday, February 8, 2020 • 1:00 p.m.

Pantagis Renaissance
250 Front Street • Scotch Plains, NJ 07076



If You See Kay

*If you see my friend,
Doesn't matter where or when,
Tell me if you see Kay,
Tell me if you see Kay...*

She said I won the battle but I lost the war,...

*No way No way no,
Cos I'm gonna shout it out to everyone,
Everyone I meet
If you see kay
Will you tell her that I love her
If you see kay
Let her know I want her back
If she listens
Say I'm missing everything about her
Make sure you say, I'm sweet FA
Without her
If you see kay
Now I'm sitting here in disbelief,
At how it truly broke my heart to have to
watch her leave,
But she was torn between what she wants
and what she needs,
They say you love someone enough you gotta
set them free,
She said that was born to leave this town be-
hind,
Knew the truth but still she looked me in the
eyes and lied,
Saying it's time to cut the ties,
Time to say goodbye, So she left
But she never never left my {heart}, never
never left my mind
If you see kay
Will you tell her that I love her...*

If you see kay

Obituary

Kay Francis Geter (aka Katie) passed away on January 30, 2020 at the age of 82 at The Center of Hope in Scotch Plains NJ following a sudden illness.

Kay was born in Elizabeth NJ on December 9, 1937 to Americus Wilcox Geter and Arthur Geter. She was the oldest of four children.

Kay was raised in Vaux Hall, New Jersey and attended the Union NJ school system, graduating in 1958. After graduation Kay was employed by the Prudential Insurance Company of America performing many roles until her retirement in 1975 following 36 years of service. Of her many positions, she worked in the Transportation Department handling the corporate helicopters and airplanes' daily operation and finally, retiring as a Budget Coordinator in the Executive Transportation Division.

Kay was very active in the community, serving as a membership recruiter, secretary and newsletter publisher for the Vauxhall Chapter of the NAACP for years. She was an active member of the New Jersey Branch of the AARP, representing local interests at state conferences. Kay performed voluntary work at the Newark Public Library. She was a contributor to Jazz 88.3 NPR, The Blues Foundation and attended blues festivals across the USA.

Kay was a "Classy Lady". Classy in all respects – from her fur coats to her designer wardrobe. For years she would sew and hand-knit her own clothing that looked as if they came out of a Vogue magazine.

Kay had many interests and had a keen eye for creating what would become treasured collections. An avid reader, she collected many books of African American art, cookbooks and children's classics. Her love of music prompted her to accumulate an array of jazz, blues and contemporary records. Kay's dolls are superb, she handmade them with such great attention to detail. Kay was also a painter in charcoal/pencil, oil and acrylics – a real Artist. Not only did she paint, she collected art from many well-known African American artists. Finally, if there was still time in the day, Kay loved her computer games and Netflix.

She loved to travel - be it boat, plane, train or tour bus. She often said, "I've been everywhere I wanted to go and seen everything I wanted to see", but she continued to travel! Her travel took her to casinos near and far with her sister Sherli – a great love of hers. Kay was a family person. She enjoyed her family, and nothing pleased her more than being among family and friends.

Kay is survived by her brother - Ahmad Mubarak (Taufiqah), sister - Sherli McKinnie, and brother - Lee Geter (Patricia). A host of nieces and nephew – Wendy Bailey (Michael), Vikki Pawlowicz (Thomas), Kimberly McKinnie, Sherri Montgomery (Blair), Aleyah Mubarak, Kevin Geter (Claritza) and Sabrinah Mubarak-Lindsey (Chris); great nieces - Jasmine Bailey, Tyler Pawlowicz, Kylee Geter; great nephews - Ian Bailey, Miles Pitrie, Dorian Pawlowicz, Kashawn Geter; great-great niece and nephews - Peyton and Camden Morris, Zion and Justus Bailey.

Kay was blessed to have so many dear friends during her life – Richard Doggett, Joan Lowery, Jeanette Marable, Vivian Lloyd - just to name a few.



A Song of Living by Amelia Josephine Barr

Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.

I have sent up my gladness on wings, to be lost in the blue of the sky.

I have run and leaped with the rain, I have taken the wind to my breast.

My cheek like a drowsy child to the face of the earth I have pressed.

Because I have loved life, I shall have no sorrow to die.

Acknowledgement

*Grateful for the richness of her life, the kindness of her heart and the love of her friends. The family of **Kay F. Geter** thanks you for your loving concern and kind expressions of sympathy.*

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