



In Loving Memory of



Kevin Searcy

Sunrise: November 28, 1963

Sunset: September 16, 2021

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2021 - 10:00 A.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Pastor Gaskins, Officiating

Pastor Ferne Sapp, Officiating

Zephaniah West, Organist



Obituary

Kevin Searcy, a devoted husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, cousin, and friend was born in Newark, NJ on November 28, 1963 to the union of Annie Mae Sapp Searcy and the late James Thomas Searcy. Kevin was full of life and love; he graduated from Weequahic High School in 1982, where he prided himself in being the best dressed and all-around sportsman having played on the high school football team. Kevin was an avid sportsman and was an unwavering fan of the San Francisco 49ers. Upon graduating from high school Kevin entered the United States Navy where he was stationed throughout the United States and also in Korea. Kevin was a proud serviceman, honorably discharged in 1986 having served his country well. He was employed as a U.S. Postal Serviceman and went on to retire from the Department of State Corrections after 25 years of employment.

Kevin was an inquisitive person who served as a leader. He always believed in knowing why he did anything and believed there were answers to life's questions. After many conversations and soul-searching Kevin accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. He was a member of The Cathedral Baptist Church, where he was baptized by Bishop Donald Hilliard. Kevin had a life-changing encounter aboard a Gospel Fest Cruise where he had the privilege of sharing in conversation with many artists and receiving prayer from Pastor Shirley Caesar, all who left an indelible impression on his faith.

On March 12, 2004 Kevin married the love of his life, Samantha B. Searcy. The two shared a love for life and enjoyed hosting family and friends, spending valuable time together, and traveling the world. Kevin was preceded in death by his grandparents, his father, and his brothers Timothy Searcy and Barry Searcy.

He leaves to cherish his soulmate, Samantha B. Searcy; his son Jihad Hamid Searcy, his daughter Sadiyah Smith Searcy; his two bonus children Saleem A. Bradberry and Jada C. Bradberry all of New Jersey; his granddaughters Janiyah Hamirah Searcy and Sky-Lynn Lightford; his bonus grandson Jamari Searcy; his mother, Annie Mae Searcy of Loganville, GA; his brother Willie (Ferne) Sapp of Covington, GA and a host of cousins, family, and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

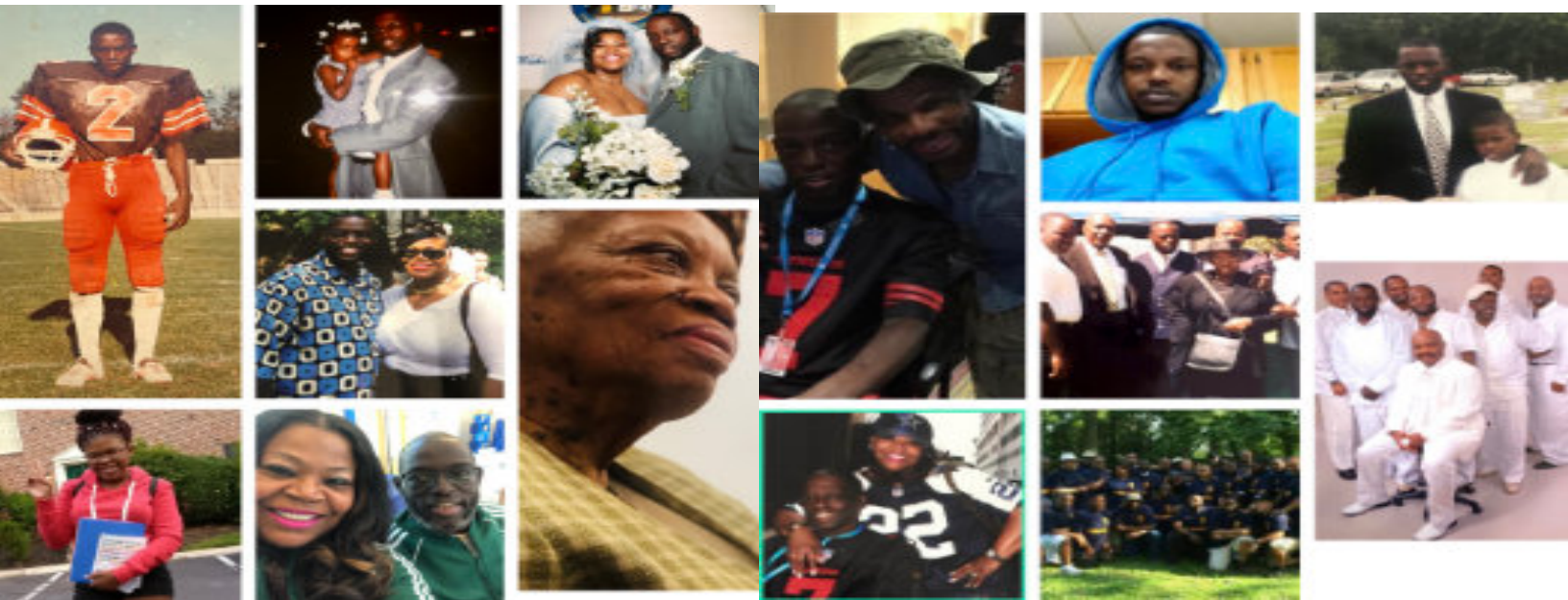
Acknowledgements

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Eulogy

Recessional



Interment

Washington Crossing National Cemetery
Newtown, PA



A Tribute

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took
his hand when I heard him call I turned my back and left it all I could not stay
another day To laugh, to love, to work or play Tasks left undone must stay that way I
found that peace at the close of the day If my parting has left a void Then fill it up
with remembered joys A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss Oh, yes these things I too
will miss Perhaps my time seemed all too brief Don't lengthen it now with undue
grief Lift up your heart and share with me God wants me now, He set me free



Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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