



Acknowledgements

The family of Mr. Alvin McKinzo Ellis wishes to extend our heartfelt appreciation for the many expressions of love, kindness, and support shown during our time of loss. Whether through your prayers, visits, calls, flowers, or other acts of sympathy, we are deeply grateful. Your thoughtfulness has been a great source of comfort to us, and we pray God's blessings upon each of you.

With love and gratitude,

The Family of Mr. Alvin McKinzo Ellis

Honorary Pallbearers

Alvin Seaton
William Vaughan
Minus Vaughan, Sr.
Joseph Vaughan
Jimmy Vaughan

Craig Ellis
Prentiss Vaughan
Minus Vaughan, Jr.
Herbert Vaughan
Royce Ellis

Active Pallbearers

Jordan Ellis
Raymond Cushenberry Jr.
Dontavious Mason
Derrick Green
Christian Townsend
Ammon Miles

Flowerbears

Family & Friends

Interment

Crozier Cemetery
1845 Paradise Road
Benton, MS 39040

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:



SHAFFER-COLLINS FUNERAL HOME
247 WEST SIXTH STREET
YAZOO CITY, MISSISSIPPI 39194
OFFICE: 662-746-3985

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In Loving Memory



SUNRISE: NOVEMBER 9, 1954

SUNSET: SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

Saturday, October 4, 2025 | 1:00 P.M.
St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
1767 Paradise Road
Benton, MS 39040

Big Al's Life Story

November 9, 1954 - September 20, 2025

Mr. Alvin McKinzo Ellis was the fourth child born, November 9, 1954, to Harvey Ellis Sr. and Gloria Stean Vaughan-Ellis, both preceded him in death, as did three of his brothers, Harvey Jr., Edward Charles and Raymond Ellis.

Alvin was baptized at an early age at Mt. Joy MB Church in Morgan Park by Reverend Ivory Scott, where he served on the youth usher board. In 1987, Alvin reunited with St Paul MB Church under the leadership of Pastor Nathaniel and Marvin Booker, which is now under the leadership of Pastor Jason J. Carter Sr. Alvin was a dedicated member and served until his death.

Alvin received his elementary education at Whistler Elementary School. His Jr High years and the start of High School, he attended Bentonia Gibbs, finishing high school at Hillcrest High School in Country Club Hills, Illinois, where he took on the trade of Auto Mechanic.

After High School, Alvin was employed at Firestone Auto and Tire Center. In 1977, Alvin went to work for General Tire where he retired at an early age due to his eyesight.

Alvin married Jeoline Allen on January 19, 1976, and to this union one child was born, Latasha Ellis.

Alvin was a member of the Distant Riders Motorcycle Club, where he received the nickname "Re-Run". He was a loyal member, traveling all over the country. Alvin also enjoyed building and racing cars at US 30 Racetrack and several tracks in Mississippi.

Alvin made Mississippi his home in 1987, where he lived in his forever home, built from the ground up where he raised his children.

On September 20, 2025, at 10:38 pm, Alvin McKinzo Ellis departed this life. He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife Jeoline Ellis, seven children; Tommy, Latasha, Lakysa, LaShanda (Christopher), Lil Alvin, Brittany and Shequille. Two sisters Carolyn and Jacqueline, one brother Craig, 18 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, An Aunt (2nd Mom) Beatrice Ellis, six uncles Minus (Martha) Vaughan Sr., Joseph Vaughan, Prentiss (Dorothy) Vaughan, Herbert Vaughan, and Jimmie (Christine) Vaughan. A bonus brother, Alan (Wolfman) Williams and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, family and friends.

Order of Service

~Program Guide ~

Deacon Lenise Vaughan -Williams

Kalamazoo, Michigan

Prelude.....Musician

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Musical Selection..... Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

Deacon James (Snow) Green

New Testament

Ms. Jovina Vaughan

Prayer.....Deacon Percy Mitchell

~Expressions of Love~

As A Church Member.....Loretta Green

Family Tribute.....Angela Vaughan-Mobley

Musical Selection..... Choir

Words of Encouragement.....Pastor Kevin Skipper

Musical SelectionKristie Thomas

Acknowledgements & Obituary.....LeShawnda Ellis

Musical SelectionJonathan Taylor

EulogyPastor Jason J. Carter, Sr.

Funeral Directors in Charge

Recessional

OUR BROTHER

As kids, we lived together
We fought, we laughed, we cried.
We did not always show the love,
that we all had inside.
We shared our dreams and plans,
and some secrets too.
All the memories we shared,
Is what bonds us now to you.
We grew to find we have a love
that is very strong today.
It's a love shared by our family,
that will never fade away.
You are our brother not by choice,
but by the nature of our birth
We could not have chosen a better one
you were the best on earth.

Love Always,
Carolyn, Craig, and Jaqueline

LOSING DAD

Our lives were changed so harshly.
It feels like yesterday,
when God said you have had enough and that you couldn't stay.
We miss you more than ever...
Your guidance and your love.
But, we know you're still watching silently from above.
The love you gave still warms us the way it always will.
But leaving an empty space that time can never fill.
From heaven you're still giving the love you always had.

WE WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU DAD!!!

Love your children,
Tommy, Latasha, Lakysa, LaShanda, Lil Alvin, Brittany and
Shequille

GRANDPA, WE MISS YOU

Every day we wonder why
You were taken high up to the sky.
And we didn't get a chance to say goodbye, we're sorry.
There are so many things we want to say,
That every night we sit and pray,
Hoping you can hear us say,
We miss you and we love you.
There's so much hurt we feel inside,
And nobody we can confide,
But we know you are watching over us,
Up above where the angels lie.
You're in our hearts, and there you'll stay,
And be remembered every day.
Forever we will think of you.

Love always,
Your Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

TRIBUTES