

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

Pallbearers

Uncles

The Last Request

Please don't say that I gave up, just say I gave in
Don't say I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or win
Please don't say how good I was, but that I did my best
Just say I tried to do what's right, to give the most I could, not less
Please don't give me wings or halos, that's for God to do
I want no more than I deserve, not extras, just my due
Please don't give flowers or talk in real hushed tones

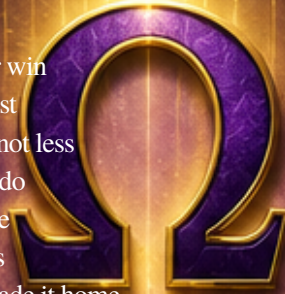
Don't be concerned about me now, I'm well with God, I've made it home

Don't talk about what could have been, it's over and it's done
Just see to all my family's needs, especially the little ones
When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a saint

I've done some good, I've done some wrong
So, use all your paint, not just the bright and light tones
Use some gray and dark, in fact don't put me down on canvas
Paint me in your heart

Don't just remember good times, but remember all the bad
For life is full of many things, some happy and some sad
But if you must do something, then I have one request

Forgive me for the wrongs I've done, and with the love that's left
Thank God for my soul's resting, thank God for I've been blessed
Thank God for all who loved me, praise God who loved me best!



Floral Bearers

Aunts



Expression of Gratitude

We, the family of Johnnie Walter Williams Jr., would like to extend our sincere and heartfelt appreciation to everyone who has shown us love and support throughout the years of Johnnie's care and during this difficult time. Thank you for every prayer, phone call, visit, word of encouragement, and every other expression of love, kindness, generosity, and compassion. Your presence and support have meant more to our family than words can adequately express. We are deeply grateful to each person who touched Johnnie's life and stood beside our family throughout his journey. Your acts of love and kindness will always be remembered and forever cherished in our hearts.

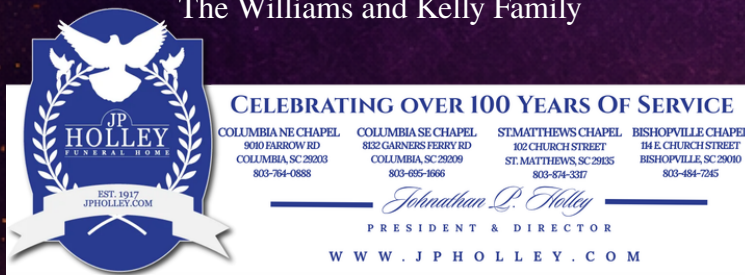
With sincere gratitude
The Williams and Kelly Family

Johnnie Walter
WILLIAMS JR.

March 11, 1982 - August 11, 2026

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2026
12:00 PM**

**JP HOLLEY FUNERAL HOME SOUTHEAST CHAPEL
8132 GARNERS FERRY ROAD, COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29209**



Reflections of His Life

On Tuesday, August 11, 2026, Johnie Walter Williams Jr. transitioned from this earthly life to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Johnie was born on March 11, 1982, in Columbia, South Carolina, to Johnie Walter Williams Sr. and Loretta Kelly Millhouse.

Johnie was a proud graduate of Eau Claire High School and South Carolina State University, where he earned a degree in Mechanical Engineering. During his time at South Carolina State University, Johnie was a member of the SC State Bulldog Football team and a proud member of Xi Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Johnie fought a courageous battle with ALS. “Jay” was honored at the SC State House as one of the longest survivors of ALS in South Carolina. “Jay” participated in several ALS Walks with Kaelyn riding on the back of his wheelchair. Johnie is now at peace and to God be the Glory!!

Johnie leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved daughter, Kaelyn Ava Williams; his brothers, Samuel Millhouse Jr. (Zeinna) and Travis Millhouse (Stephanie); and his sister, Elizabeth Williams. He is also lovingly remembered by his nephews, Anthony Harrison, Brailan Millhouse, Devin Millhouse, Desmond Millhouse, Jimmie Williams, and niece, Ashleigh Milhouse; great-nephew, Kingston Harris; and great-nieces, Zoriah Harris and Shae Rush.

Special acknowledgment and heartfelt appreciation are extended to his uncle and aunt, George and Earlean Kelly; his fraternity brother, Brandon Harris; and Mrs. Patti Smith, faithful friend, for their love, compassion, and support throughout Johnie’s journey.

Johnie also leaves behind loving aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, fraternity brothers, caregivers, team members and staff at Millennium Post Acute Rehabilitation Center, and members of the ALS Foundation whose lives were touched by his presence and who supported and cared for him along the way.

Though Johnie will be deeply missed, his memory will forever remain in the hearts of those who loved him. May his legacy of love, family, friendship, perseverance, and faith continue to live on through all who knew him. Rest peacefully, Johnie. You fought a good fight, you finished your course, and you will forever be loved and remembered.

Order of Service

Prelude
Minister Roger McBeth

Processional

Selection
Jacquelyn White

Scripture Readings
Reverend Gloria R. Sullivan

Prayer of Comfort
Pastor Ellis White, Jr

Selection
Minister Roger McBeth

Remarks: (Please limit to 3 minutes)
Yvonne Wilson
Brandon Harris
Coach Oliver “Buddy” Pugh

Acknowledgements
Aurora Smalls

Selection
Minister Roger McBeth

Words of Comfort
Pastor Jermaine Easterwood

Recessional/Selection
Minister Roger McBeth

Closing Prayer
Deacon Leonard Kelly

Benediction
Pastor Jermaine Easterwood