

### *Active Pallbearers*

Keyuan Barnes  
Roosevelt Cole  
Broderick Latiker

Jalexius Barnes  
Patrick Cole  
Timothy Henderson, Jr.

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Alvin Barnes  
Kameron Greer  
Kamari Barnes

Antonio Barnes  
Lewis Barnes  
Brandon Bond

### *Flower Bearers*

Family and Friends

### *Acknowledgement*

We are deeply grateful for the many expressions of love, support, and sympathy shown to us during our time of sorrow. May God bless each of you for your thoughtful expressions. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers now and the days ahead.

The Barnes Family

*Professional Services Entrusted To*

# SHAFFER-COLLINS

FUNERAL HOME

247 West Sixth Street

Yazoo City, Mississippi 39194

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# IN LOVING

## *Memory of*



# *Erwin Xavier* BARNES

*Sunrise*

August 22, 1981

*Sunset*

September 23, 2025

Sunday, October 5, 2025

1:00 PM

CALVARY M. B. CHURCH

412 West Broadway | Yazoo City, Mississippi 39194

Bishop R. O. Thomas, Pastor

# Erwin Xavier Barnes

August 22, 1981 – September 23, 2025

Erwin Xavier Barnes was born on August 22, 1981, in Yazoo City, MS, to Wilma Jean Barnes and Alvin Henderson. He was affectionately known as "Crow" and was the second born son to his parents.

He was a lifelong resident of Yazoo City and received his education in the Yazoo City Municipal School District. Being no stranger to hard work, he held several jobs throughout the community. He was a familiar and friendly face at Pennzoil where he worked for several years but was recently a Yazoo County employee.

Known for his happy and fun spirit, Erwin was one of the family's favorite. He was a giver at heart always willing to be a helping hand to his family. He could be heard often telling them, "I got you, you know I got you." Erwin was especially happy to be a father to his mini me, pride and joy, his son, Erwin Jr. (EJ). Their time spent together was his happiest moments, whether it was at home, EJ's games, or them being on the grill.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Magnolia and Lewis Bonds and Janie and Bae Henderson; son, Elijah (Haymer) Barnes; and aunt, Delphine Barnes, with whom he shared a special bond.

Erwin was a devoted son, father, nephew, and friend. He leaves to cherish his loving memories: his parents, Wilma (Prentiss) Young and Alvin Henderson; sons, Erwin Xavier Barnes, Jr., (EJ) and Jaheim Gower; brothers, Alvin Barnes and Antonio Barnes; sisters, LeQuita Hollins-Young, Diamond Hollins, Cortisha Green, Carmanita Green, Shenika Henderson, Nakeyta Henderson, and Natalie Henderson; grandmother, Alma Jean Gower; aunts, Elnora Barnes, Michelle (Troy) McCallister, Alex Barnes, Miranda Purvis, Vanessa Henderson, and Gloria Todd; uncles, Nakkila Bonds, Brandon Bonds, Michael Henderson, Timothy Henderson, Sr., Herbert Henderson, and Orlando Henderson; great-aunts, Sadie Titsworth and Rosemund Lewis; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other family, and friends.

## Life Without You

I never knew life without you.

Didn't think I was supposed to.

Before I could talk, I knew I'd talk to you.

Some girls' first love is their dad, mine was my brother.

And the love you had for me was incomparable, like no other.

I didn't fear when you were by my side

Because in your heart you never let fear reside.

You would always say I made you proud and that I was stronger than I knew.

But I knew in my heart that I was strong because of you,

30 years we shared, 30 years to prepare.

I just want to say thank you for all the times we shared.

Now all I have of you is memories here.

I'll keep my head up because I still feel you near.

Love you forever my brother,

Your Little Big Sis, Le'Quita

## To My Best Friend,

22 years wasn't long enough but within those 22 years,

I knew one person who loved me for sure.

My best friend and protector.

I never would have thought I would have to keep living life without you.

I'll never receive a late FaceTime call or message from you.

All I have are memories and your picture in a frame.

Your memory is my keepsake with which I'll never part.

God has you in his keeping. I have you forever in my heart.

Love, BabyD

# Order of Service

Processional  
Clergy and Family

Scripture Reading  
Appointee

Prayer  
Appointee

Solo  
Cheryl Jackson

Expressions  
Two Minutes, Please  
Family and Friends

Obituary  
Read Silently, Please (Soft Music)

Solo  
Cheryl Jackson

Eulogy  
Bishop R. O. Thomas

Funeral Directors in Charge

Recessional

To My Dear Son

It broke my heart to lose you, but you did not go alone.  
A part of me went with you the day God called you home.  
A million times I have thought of you; a million time I have cried.  
If loving you could have saved you, you would have never died.

Forgive me, Lord, I'll always weep for the son,

I love so deeply but could not keep.

Love Always, Mom

My Loving Brother

My heart still aches in sadness, my silent tears still flow,  
For what it meant to lose you, no one will ever know.

Although you can't be here with me, we are not apart,  
Until the final breath I take, you will always live in my heart.

Love Always, Your Brothers, Alvin and Antonio

