



## Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.

October 2, 1995 - September 9, 2019

Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy, Jr., 23, of Peoria, IL passed away at 12:44 AM on Monday, September 9, 2019 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center. Ken was born on October 2, 1995 in Peoria, IL to Kimberly Bridwell and Kennard Hardy, Sr.

Ken worked for Xtreme Sounds, Bartonville, IL and Barney's Auto of Peoria as a car audio installer. He loved music and cars and going to car shows. Ken was very competitive and especially loved audio competitions. He also loved riding four-wheelers. Ken had an infectious personality who was very jovial and outgoing. He was a great debater who loved to playfully annoy people. He was an awesome dancer. Ken loved his children and was known to play and interact with them and his nephews. Ken was a very good care giver to his grandmother and grandfather. He was very loving and caring to others as well. Ken leaves to cherish his most precious memory his parents, Kimberly (Tom) Harris of Peoria, IL and Kennard, Sr. (Renae) Hardy of Des Moines, IA; two daughters, Aniah Hardy of Phoenix, AZ, Kenedi Hardy of Peoria, IL and a baby on the way; two brothers, Cornelius Hardy and DeMarco Cotton both of Peoria, IL; eight sisters, Lamika (Kevin) Mallard of Broken Arrow, OK, Shamika Hardy, Kendra Hardy both of Peoria, IL, Joshica Farmer of Springfield, IL, Kiara Hardy of Houston, TX, Haylie Harris, Jasmine Hardy-Turner and Nicole Hardy-Turner all of Peoria, IL; his grandparents, Vicki Bridwell of Peoria, IL, Jo Harris of Aumsville, OR and Barney Allen of Peoria, IL; great grandmother, Trudy Jackson of Peoria, IL; his companion, Brayshea

Morris of Peoria, IL; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Irma and James Hardy, Jr.; great grandfather, Everett Jackson; two uncles, Christopher Allen and James Binion; and one aunt, Virginia Williams.

Funeral services will be held at 12 noon on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at Sovereign Grace M. B. Church with a visitation beginning at 11 am. Bishop Kevin Hill of Church of the Living God LBLC#1 and Pastor Earnest Rodgers of Greater Apostolic Bibleway Church will officiate.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](http://SimonsMortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church  
1505 W. Martin Street  
Peoria, IL 61605

## Funeral Service

SEP 17. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church  
1505 W. Martin Street  
Peoria, IL 61605

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.*



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**Simons Mortuary** - September 17, 2019 at 11:37 AM

JF

“ *i love and miss you so much , there's not a day that goes by that I don't think about you. i wish you were here to see how much I've grown .*

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**Jordyn Farmer** - October 01, 2024 at 02:07 PM



“ *Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

BM

“ *There's not a day , holiday that goes by that I don't think about you .. I wish you were here to see your baby girls grow and explore life. we love you*

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**brayshea morris** - May 10, 2022 at 03:10 PM

SM

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Simons Mortuary - September 17, 2019 at 10:23 AM

ZM

“ Praying comfort for the family.

Zack Monroe - September 16, 2019 at 10:11 AM

AN

“ AnnetteLucy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.



AnnetteLucy - September 14, 2019 at 05:13 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr..



September 14, 2019 at 01:18 PM

RP

“ *Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, Love leaves a memory no one can steal.*

*I know your great grandpa Everett and your Aunt Lynne were there to greet you and wrapped you up in their arms. Rest in Peace, you have earned your wings.*

Ruth Ann Pierson - September 13, 2019 at 08:54 PM

MJ

*Our prayers are with you and the family, God be with you in Jesus Name.*

Mother Jones - September 14, 2019 at 07:31 AM



“ *Evelyn Tate-Clayton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.*



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - September 12, 2019 at 09:17 PM



“ *Junior,  
I can't believe that you're gone? The last time that I saw you, we hugged and you promised me that you'd get yourself together. You were such a jovial person in all of our lives. The family is truly going to miss you. I'm not going to say "goodbye", I'm going to say: see ya later. Keep soar high, for now you're with your Uncle Chris! Love you Kennard, you will truly be missed.*



Sharon Staples - September 12, 2019 at 02:19 PM

GC

“ *Gene & Letha Cagle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Kennard "Ken" Wilson Hardy Jr.*



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**Gene & Letha Cagle** - September 11, 2019 at 04:33 PM

TH

“ *Son you left this world way to early. I don't even have words to say other than I will miss you as much as the next person. Since 2003 you were my only son, and will always be my only one..*

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**Thomas Harris** - September 10, 2019 at 07:28 PM