



Kimmela Renee "Kim" Lewis

June 28, 1969 - June 26, 2024

SYRACUSE/UTICA – Kimmela Renee “Kim” Lewis, age 54, went home to be with the Lord when she passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, after a courageous two and a half year battle with brain and lung cancer. At the time of her passing, her loving family was by her side.

Born in Pompano Beach, FL on June 28, 1969, Kimmela was the daughter of the late Eddie Lewis and Betty Jean Lewis. In 1972, she relocated with her family to Central NY where she was educated, attending John F. Kennedy High School.

At one time, Kimmela shared in a relationship with Jonathan Jackson and from their time together came the blessing of five children. She later found companionship with Sammy Caswell which blessed them with two children. More recently, she shared love with Steven Anderson. Kimmela once held employment as a cashier with TOPS and Save A Lot grocery stores.

Kimmela enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She loved to gather for a good game of cards, especially Spades or Pitty Pat. Her main focus in life was her family, she selflessly devoted her energies to raising her children and being a caregiver to her mother. Her life revolved around her loved ones and ensuring all their needs were met. She was most content when she was surrounded by her loving family, especially her grandchildren

and her good friends. Kemmela found joy in going out dancing and never missed attending a good dance party! She especially enjoyed time spent with her brother, Ulysses, and engaging in family cookouts.

Kemmela is survived by her daughters, Deshauna Jackson, and Kristina Davis; sons and daughter-in-law, Jonathan Lewis, Akeem and Amanda Lewis, Quondale Jackson, Tyreese Lewis, and Tommie Davis; grandchildren, Xaviana, Jesen, Jaheim, Jnail, Jádír, JáRah, Robert, Akeem, Jr., Jason, Chase, Chyna, Everley, Demetrius, Jaden, Ariana, Tommie, Jr., Ah-morae, Zyanna, Xavier, Amiracle, Quondale, Jr., Tiana, Quamir, and the late Ky-ree Lewis; and her brother, Ulysses Lewis, Sr. She fondly remembered her brother, Larry Lewis, who preceded her. Also left to cherish her memory are her nieces and nephews, Justin Hymes, Denisha Ruffin, Ulysses Lewis, Jr., Casandra Ruffin, Gabrielle Martinez, Danielle Martinez, Shanequa Lewis, Ashley Pierce, and the late Michelle Leggett-Lewis; great-nieces, great-nephews; uncle, Robert Lewis; aunt, Lola Mae “Sister Gayle” Chairman; cousins, especially acknowledging Shawanda, Benjamin, Latanya (Rob), Letitia (Blossom), Tyrone “Moonie,” Tyrone, Naqun, Benjamin, Ricardo, Tashana, and Tirus Freeman who gave Kemmela and her cousins Lisa Woods, and Velma Chairman the nickname “the Snoop Sisters”; and many friends, especially Wilhelmina Brown, Patricia Brown, Roger Patterson, Joey Spratt, Art Carther, Rachel Archie, Loretta Ruffin, Brenda Rodriguez, Geneva Carr, Jean Martinez, Gloria Weathers, Tarmeeke Heath, Roxanne Kimball, and the late Evon Hymes. The family would also like to acknowledge their Smith, Freeman-Woods, Williams, Whipper, and Lewis families. Kemmela was predeceased by her uncle and aunts, James Lewis, Jr., Mary Lee “Minnie” Chairman, Lela Mae Brown, and Lillian “Loretta” Lewis.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to the doctors and staff of the Upstate Cancer Center in Syracuse for their care and compassion.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 6, 2024, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Kemmela's Home Going Service and Celebration of Life will commence at 3:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

Home Going Service

JUL 6. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Lonnie Brown lit a candle in memory of Kemmela Renee "Kim" Lewis*



Lonnie Brown - December 14, 2024 at 04:41 PM

GD

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family* 🍷🍷🍷



Grace V DeCastro - August 02, 2024 at 01:20 AM

DC

“ *Denisha, Ulysses and Casandra planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kemmela Renee "Kim" Lewis.*

Denisha, Ulysses and Casandra - July 06, 2024 at 02:44 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kemmela Renee "Kim" Lewis.*



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Denisha, Ulysses Jr., and Casandra - July 06, 2024 at 02:31 AM



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RS

“ Sorry for the loss of your love one



Rose Pearson Simmons - July 04, 2024 at 08:45 AM

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“ Casandra Ruffin lit a candle in memory of Kemmela Renee "Kim" Lewis



Casandra Ruffin - July 03, 2024 at 06:30 PM



“ *Carla Clark lit a candle in memory of
Kemmela Renee "Kim" Lewis* ”



Carla Clark - July 02, 2024 at 06:39 PM