

A Celebration of



Mr. Cornelius LaBarren Sharp (Barry)

December 29, 1958 – March 2, 2024

Friday, March 8, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.
New Hope Baptist Church
1555 Beasley Road
Jackson, MS 39206

Dr. Jerry Young, Officiating

Obituary

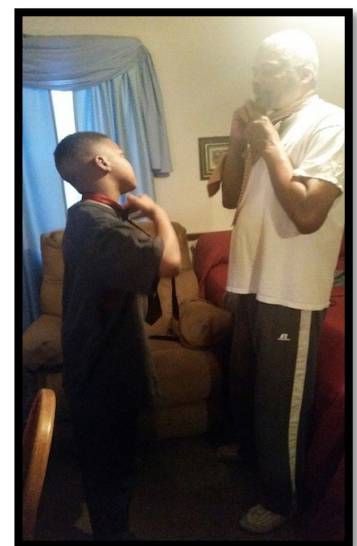


Cornelius LaBarren (Barry) Sharp, born on December 29, 1958, in Jackson, Mississippi, was the cherished firstborn of Mr. Cornelius Sharp and Mrs. Billye Jean Sharp. Barry's journey of love and dedication began with his marriage to Deborah Ann Travis, and together they celebrated the joy of parenthood with their daughter, Kristen JaNelle Sharp. Some of you might know her as Girlie, as this nickname was given to her by her dad when she was a baby. We've never heard him call her Kristen, only Girlie. This was his baby girl and he wanted the world to know.

Barry's faith was a cornerstone of his life, as a devout member of New Hope Baptist Church, where he found solace under the guidance of Reverend G.C. Hunt, Reverend Emmett Burns and Reverend Jerry Young. He served the Lord dutifully, lending his voice to the choir and offering his service on the usher board.

Having graduated from Callaway High School in Jackson, MS, in 1976, Barry furthered his education at Hinds Community College, graduating in 1978. His professional journey began at the Mississippi Department of Education where he invested his time and talents until his retirement in 2020. In his retirement, Barry embraced the simple joys of life, relishing in the company of cherished friends and family.

On Friday, March 2, 2024, Barry peacefully transitioned, leaving behind a legacy of love and laughter. He is survived by his beloved daughter, Kristen JaNelle Sharp; grandson, Ariel Cornelius LaBarren Thomas; his extended daughter, Olivia Travis; devoted parents Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius and Billye Jean Sharp; supportive brother, Keith Sharp (Mariah – deceased); caring sisters, Doris Sharp Good (William) and Kimberly Sharp Anderson (Douglas), along with aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. Barry's memory will forever be cherished in the hearts of all who knew him.



Order of Service

Presiding Reverend Wendell Paris

Processional..... NHBC Choir

“When We All Get To Heaven”

Prayer Brother William Good

Old Testament Scripture Reverend Wendell Paris

Psalm 121

New Testament..... Reverend Jefforey Stafford

John 14

Musical Selection..... Brother Maurice & Brother Rafael Good

Words of Encouragement Deacon Milton Stafford

Acknowledgements Deacon Milton Stafford

Musical Selection Brother Charles Taylor

Eulogy Dr. Jerry Young, Pastor

Recessional NHBC Choir

“Victory in Jesus”

Acknowledgements

We are deeply grateful for the outpouring of love, support, and sympathy shown to us during this difficult period. Your kindness and compassion have provided solace and strength as we navigate through our grief.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our family members, friends, colleagues, and neighbors who have offered their condolences, prayers, and gestures of comfort. Your presence, whether near or far, has been a source of immense comfort and reassurance.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the staff of Collins Funeral Home and Autumn Woods Memorial Gardens for their professionalism, care, and guidance in arranging the services to honor the memory of our beloved, Barry.

Additionally, we extend our gratitude to our friends of New Hope Baptist Church community, Sunday School Class #12, the Brinkley Place community, caregivers at St. Dominic Hospital and numerous family and friends. Your unwavering support and shared memories have provided light in our darkest moments.

While our hearts are heavy with sorrow, we find comfort in knowing that Barry's legacy will continue to live on through the love and memories shared by each of you. Your presence and support have been a source of strength as we celebrate his life.

With sincere appreciation and gratitude, the Sharp family.

Active Pallbearers

Brother Bryant Evans
Brother Maurice Good
Brother Rafael Good
Brother Anthony Lawrence Alford
Deacon Robert Patterson
Deacon Darryl Bowen

Honorary Pallbearers

Brother Ariel Thomas
Brother Keith Sharp
Brother Douglas Anderson, III
Brother John Williams, Jr
Brother Charles Taylor

Flower Bearers

NHBC Adult Woman Sunday School Class #12

Interment

Autumn Woods Memorial Gardens
4000 W. Northside Drive
Jackson, Mississippi 39209



Arrangements and Services
Collins Funeral Home
415 North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202