



Mr. Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle

July 29, 1976 - June 15, 2025

Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle

Sunrise Sunset

July 29, 1976 June 15, 2025

Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle transitioned from this life into eternal rest on Sunday, June 15, 2025.

Family and friends will unite on Monday, June 30, 2025, for viewing at 11:00 a.m. and service at 12:00 p.m. at Tabernacle Baptist Church, 719 Division Ave, NE, Washington, DC, 20019.

Service will be live streamed at www.tbcdc.org

Interment Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 11:00 am

Hartford Memorial Gardens Cemetery

3839 Aldino Road, Aberdeen, MD 21001

In lieu of flowers, for those who would like to give, please send donations to Morehouse College General Scholarship Fund,

In Honor of Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle – class of 1999

<https://giving.morehouse.edu/s/give-now>

Cemetery Details

Hartford Memorial Garden Cemetery

3839 Aldino Road
Aberdeen, MD 21001

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN 30. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Tabernacle Baptist Church
719 Division Ave NE
Washington, DC 20019
(202) 396-2218

Funeral service

JUN 30. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Washington, DC 20019
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Tribute Wall



“ *Love you!!!* ”

Tori Lynch - July 01, 2025 at 05:34 AM

“What can I say about Mr. Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle... Brotha, you were such a beautiful mind. One of those rare souls who didn't just move through the world, but shifted it. Back when we were just teenagers running the streets of Diamond Bar, trying to figure this thing called life out, you poured so much into me. You helped me tap into knowledge of self. You introduced me to how to eat to live. You made me appreciate Go-Go music; something that went against everything West Coast in me at the time, and most importantly, you made sure I stayed off that swine... lol.

Truth is, I probably wouldn't have graduated high school if it wasn't for your voice in my ear, reminding me of the power of education and what doors it could open. And even when I didn't follow every word or lesson you shared, you never judged me. Never turned your back. Instead, you invited me and my family to join you at the 20th Anniversary of the Million Man March Justice or Else Rally so my family could see the power in Black Unity, as well as gave me the honor of meeting your father, so I could witness firsthand what Black manhood with dignity and principle looked like.

We ran together.

We hurt together.

And just a short while ago, we were still building, two brothas trying to navigate this thing called living in our forties.

Thank you, Kahlil.

Thank you for your authenticity, your friendship, your love, and your compassion. You never just spoke you breathed life into people.

You didn't just walk this earth; you left fingerprints on souls.

There's an African proverb that says:

“When you don't speak the name of your loved one, you allow them to die twice.”

So let me be clear... you will not die twice, my brotha.

Not while I'm breathing.

I will carry your name with me through my words, my work, and the way I move. Your legacy will live in my heart and the hearts of

*others you touched.
I salute you, Polo King.
Rest well. Rest with honor.
And may Allah receive you in power and peace.*

Mr.& Mrs. Andrew Hackett-Bey - June 28, 2025 at 11:50 PM

KE

“ *I will remember how dedicated you were to the people you loved. How you never missed a workout, were dedicated to you work, loved to provide, loved to laugh, loved to encourage. I will always cherish your generous heart and were there for me during unimaginable times. You were beautiful inside and out. Thank you for loving me for me. Those who conspire against any of Allah's favored ones will never prosper. Mommy and I love you forever. There's a big hole in our hearts. But I know you rest in peace. I am fortunate to have known you my friend. bren & keni*

kenya-louise - June 28, 2025 at 08:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle.*



June 28, 2025 at 08:39 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Kahlil Ali-Cornell Chappelle.*

June 28, 2025 at 08:39 PM

PW

“ *The tennis community sends condolences to the Chappelle family. We are so sorry for the loss of your son. Our hearts and prayers go out to you.*

Pat Weston - June 28, 2025 at 07:26 PM

VD

“ *To the Chappelle Family...so sorry for your loss. Gone much too soon. Find comfort in the fond memories. Van Lawson and Family*

Vanessa Dixon - June 26, 2025 at 01:30 PM

PF

“ *Sending love, caring thoughts and heartfelt condolences you and your family. Words cannot express how saddened we're to learn of your son passing. Our hearts and prayers goes out to you during this difficult time 🙏🙏*

Pauline and family - June 24, 2025 at 08:48 PM

KR

“ *Kai, you were taken from us way too soon! We are all struggling, trying to grasp the fact that you are no longer with us! May God and the Angels above comfort you into your transition into Glory. We will miss you forever. Love, Kim R*

Kim Roane - June 24, 2025 at 07:39 PM

MR

“ We wish to offer our sincere prayers and condolences to the Chappelle family and friends. We keep you in our prayers 🙏
Malcolm & Mona, Neal & Felicia and Tabia Roberts



Malcolm & Mona Roberts(RET) - June 24, 2025 at 10:41 AM