



Mr. Ellis Ray Mcknight, Sr.

October 29, 1953 - July 13, 2025

For God so loved the world, he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have ever lasting life - John 3:16

Ellis Ray McKnight "Gut", was born on October 29, 1953 in Liberty, Mississippi to the late Alfred McKnight & Gladys McKnight. On Sunday July 13, 2025, Ellis departed this life at his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was a graduate of Kentwood High School class of 1972. He attended only one year at Abilene Christian University, Texas (ACU), playing Football, Baseball and he ran track.

He worked as a Logger for over 40 years.

In 1978, he met the love of his life, Juliet McKnight and was married in 1980. From that union, they had a total of six daughters: Termaine, Nyoka, Chelita, Surrainder, Tiekeysha and Jalexius.

Ellis leaves to cherish his memories, wife, Juliet McKnight, his children Tremaine Smith (Kentwood), Nyoka McKnight (Kentwood), Chelita Bob Foster (Kentwood), Surrainder McKnight (Kentwood), Tiekeysha McKnight (Hammond), Jalexius McKnight (Kentwood), Ellis McKnight (Independence) & Pamela McKnight (Hammond) from a previous relationship. Ten grandkids,

seven great-grandchildren, Sibling, Gladys McKnight Carter (Kentwood), Lillie Mae McKnight (Kentwood), Wanda Robert Colman (Kentwood) , George Glo Dawson (New Orleans), and a host of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred McKnight & Gladys McKnight. His siblings, five brothers Jimmy Dawson, Shilas Dawson, Milton Dawson, Willie McKnight Sr., Leroy Dawson. 2 sisters Yvonne Davis and Bobby McKnight, two grandchildren, Christoper Pitts Jr and Ny'Keria McKnight.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 19. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

B.J. Ginn Funeral & Cremation Services
61077 Bennett Rd
Amite, LA 70422
(985) 247-2950
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Funeral

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Interment

JUL 19 (ET)

Jerusalem Baptist Church
2155 Jim Thomas Rd
Magnolia, MS 29652

Tribute Wall

TP

“ *Tiffany Perry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ellis Ray Mcknight, Sr.*



Tiffany Perry - July 18, 2025 at 12:46 AM

TP

You will be Miss .

Tiffany Perry - July 18, 2025 at 12:48 AM

DW

“ *The class of 1972 would like to send our condolence to the Mcknight family. "Gut" you will be missed. Rest well.*

Dennis L Wells - July 17, 2025 at 11:53 PM

WF

“ *With deepest sympathy. Praying for the McKnight family. Sister Marcia & Torrie Williams*

Williams Family - July 17, 2025 at 03:37 PM

EW

“ *My sincerest condolences to the family. May God give you comfort at this difficult time.*

Elizabeth Dawson White - July 15, 2025 at 10:31 PM

WH

“ *Ellis you will be missed praying for the family!!*

willie Mae Holloway - July 15, 2025 at 08:14 PM

GC

Old boy you will be missed

Gregory Cohn - July 15, 2025 at 09:08 PM

JB

So sorry for yall loss praying for the family

Jacqueline Braxton - July 15, 2025 at 09:55 PM

DM

So very sorry to hear of your loss!! He was a kindhearted soul!! He will surely be missed!!

Darrell McGhee - July 16, 2025 at 09:11 AM

SP

Sending Prayers and Condolences from the Aych Family 🙏❤️

Stella Pool - July 17, 2025 at 11:43 PM

SF

Deepest sympathy to Pam and the McKnight family. Praying that God will continue to comfort and strengthen you.

The Sibley Family

Sibley Family - July 18, 2025 at 08:05 PM

CW

Sending condolences and sympathy to the McKnight family.

Charles Wells - July 21, 2025 at 10:00 PM