



Mr. Alex Ray Kelly

November 3, 1948 - March 3, 2014

Alex Ray Kelly was born to the late Bertha Lee Harris and the late Damon Parnell on November 3, 1948. He grew up and was educated in the Crystal Springs, Mississippi Public Schools system. He had six siblings, five sisters and one brother.

He relocated to Detroit, Michigan in 1968 and began working for Chevrolet and then Ford Motor Company in the factory. Upon deciding to make Detroit his permanent home, he returned to Mississippi in 1970 to marry his high school sweetheart Betty Taylor. They returned to Detroit. Their union produced four daughters.

He continued to work for Ford Motor Company and retired with 33 years of service in 2003. Upon retirement, he was honored by Detroit City Council for his contributions to the Motor City.

He had a sincere love for dogs, landscaping and vans. Often-times, neighbors would ask the secret to his green grass. He'd reply, "Just water it by hand."

Previous Events

Visitation

Sunday, Mar. **9**. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
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Family Hour

Monday, Mar. **10**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

Monday, Mar. **10**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TK

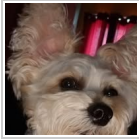
“ Hey dad, your sister is still going. She has been busy seeing after uncle. He has been less than 100% lately. Mom is doing pretty good. We took a family staycation last month for birthdays. It was nice. We still say your famous line " Well let me go!" Lol TTyl

T Kelly - November 15, 2025 at 12:27 AM

TK

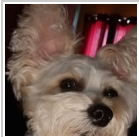
“ Happy Birthday. I should have written on here sooner but I hope you heard me on your actual birthday. We are being careful in your words and still laughing at some of the things you use to say. Until we meet again, I love you dad.

Tameka Kelly - November 06, 2025 at 12:04 PM



“ Wow 10 years already but seems like yesterday. Guess what I finally made it out the houses. We are being careful. I pick up your sister often for lunch. We'll dad good night.

TK Seldum - November 26, 2024 at 11:59 PM



“ TK Seldum lit a candle in memory of Alex Kelly



TK Seldum - November 26, 2024 at 11:54 PM



“ *Mr. Alex Ray Kelly*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Dad, your buddy Stacey passed. Remember him?. He used to come to family functions, eat good and sing. Unfortunately, we couldn't pay our respect because we learned of passing too late. COVID is a real time nightmare here. Moms last sibling died. We drove to Mississippi in September. We realize the drive is too long for us now. Even Tahnee ankles were swollen. Well, I'm turning in now.*

Tashia Kelly - January 14, 2022 at 12:15 AM



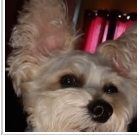
“ *Heyyyy I learned how to ride a motorcycle and I got a Yorkie poo named Roger. You would have loved them both dad 😞.*

Tameka Kelly - September 01, 2021 at 08:01 PM



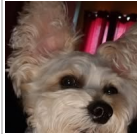
“ *Just stopping by to say hello. We had good cake for you guys birthday. You would have loved it. We are hanging in here. Alot has gone in the world. Alot of it very sad and life changing. You will be happy to know my new neighbor has a big pretty dog. You'd love it. Lol. Me, not so much. Oh yeah, Im still Mary Kay. The ladies still talk about you and their packages.*

Tashia Kelly(daughter) - November 11, 2020 at 10:10 PM



“ Heyyyy so much going on down here. You're in a better place. Side note dad I wish you could have met Roger. He's my 4 year old yorkie poo. You would have loved him. Just dropping by keeping your memories alive until we meet again. Love your daughter Meka

TK Seldum - April 07, 2020 at 01:08 AM



“ Happy Birthday dad. I put your name on our cake. It will always be put on the cake.



TK Seldum - November 03, 2019 at 11:20 AM

TK

“ Dad just thinking of you as the holidays are approaching. We are still thinking of you all the time as you are forever in our hearts. Your birthday is next week. Happy Birthday all the way in heaven. ❤️

Tameia Kelly - October 30, 2019 at 10:34 PM

TK

“ I can't believe it has been 5 years since you have been gone. It seems like yesterday. We are still holding on to all the memories especially when you made us laugh. RIP

Tameka Kelly - July 07, 2019 at 04:20 PM

TK

“ Hi dad! Thinking of you. Missing you.

Tashia Kelly - December 03, 2016 at 08:54 PM

TK

“ Dad.....it's almost a month, but it seems like yesterday. You would be glad to know we are being careful. We talk about you often... Your sister Flo has been a little under the weather. Your nephews Terry and Anthony are in town. They have really grown..LOVE YOU

Tashia Kelly - March 30, 2014 at 08:46 PM

TK

“ You always asked everytime "are we being careful"? Yes we are and now you can always see us where ever we're at, being careful. I miss you dad.

Tameka Kelly - March 08, 2014 at 09:10 AM

TK

“ Dad I love you and will always cherish our time together.

Meia

Tameia Kelly - March 06, 2014 at 07:10 PM

TK

“ Dad I still cannot believe you are gone. I will always cherish our time we spent together. Thanking God in advance for His many blessings despite heartache and pain.

Love you always

Meia

Tameia Kelly - March 06, 2014 at 07:05 PM

TA

“ *My dad was one who never held his tongue. What you saw was what you got. Dad we love you And miss you... Your girls, as you call us, are going to take care of mom and Tahnee. Tashia, the oldest*

Tashia - March 06, 2014 at 06:54 PM

TK

I miss you and want you back. I know you want us to be careful and we will. I am so hurt daddy but we will see you again. Until that day I know you will be watching saying "my girls are being careful and taking care of their mom, Tahnee and themselves". I love you daddy.

Tameka Kelly - March 06, 2014 at 07:12 PM

TR

Tashia and Tameka I am sorry for your loss. May our Creator keep you and your family in perfect peace. I love you both.

Tresa - March 07, 2014 at 10:07 AM

CO

I Pray God comfort the Kelly Family during this time. Luv you Kelly Girls.

Corey - March 07, 2014 at 11:17 AM

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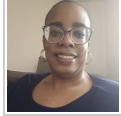
Thank you Tresa and Corey. We love y'all too.

Tameka Kelly - March 08, 2014 at 09:03 AM

MA

*My deepest condolences to you Tashia and the rest of your family. I never had the pleasure of meeting your father, but there were times when you shared some funny childhood memories with me about growing up with you dad. Just know that you will always, always cherish those memories and continue to share them.
Marilyn Smith*

marilyn - March 09, 2014 at 02:21 PM



Tashia and family I am praying for you all for comfort and strength as you celebrate the life of your father . I am sorry that I could not get there as planned but know that my heart is. Love ya!

Karen Lewis - March 10, 2014 at 07:46 AM