



## Mr. Dwuan Lamar Knox

December 12, 1968 - October 11, 2020

\*\*\*\*GRAVESIDE SERVICES ARE BEING HELD TODAY, THURSDAY,  
OCTOBER 22, 2020\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\* 1:00 P.M. GRAVESIDE SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY WILL BE HELD  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020. DUE TO THE MANDATES FOR THE  
STATE OF MICHIGAN, ONLY (100) PEOPLE CAN GATHER AT THE  
CEMETERY.

\*\*\*\*ATTN: ALL PALLBEARERS--PLEASE MEET US AT THE FUNERAL  
HOME THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020 AT 12 NOON TO PROCESSION TO  
CEMETERY.

\*\*\*MASKS & SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED\*\*\*

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\*\*\*\*IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, THE FAMILY REQUESTS SENDING  
MONETARY DONATIONS IN DWUAN'S HONOR TO:

Advia Credit Union, 550 S. Riverview Drive, Parchment, MI 49004

\*\*\*NOTE: For further details to direct donation, please see Clara LaBarre or  
Rosemary Knox during walk through visitation

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THE OBITUARY

Dwuan L. Knox died unexpectedly Sunday, October 11, 2020 at his residence. He was born December 12, 1968 in Battle Creek, MI, the son of Clara J. (Knox) LaBarre and Dwuan R. Kerrens.

Dwuan attended Battle Creek Public Schools and was a graduate of Kalamazoo Central High School in Kalamazoo, MI. Dwuan attended Upton Avenue Original Church of God in Battle Creek, MI under the leadership of Bishop Harold W. Speights. In his early years he moved from Battle Creek, MI to Kalamazoo, MI.

On February 14, 1995, Dwuan united in marriage to Angela LaForce.

He was employed at American Greetings and Bee Clean Building Services. He later became employed with A & L Janitorial & Cleaning Services of Kalamazoo, MI until his untimely passing.

Dwuan affectionately known as “Mr. Smiley” and “D Knox” had a contagious smiley personality. He enjoyed spending time with his family, friends, dining out, watching movies, going to car shows, and collecting Coca-Cola memorabilia. He also had a natural gift for drawing and was skilled as a handyman. He loved to entertain his family and friends with jokes and stories and was known for his friendly conversations. Whether you knew Dwuan a short or long period of time you will find yourself in friendly and lengthy conversations with him.

Dwuan will forever be remembered for his kindness and generosity. His beautiful life will forever be cherished in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, George L. Knox, Sturla M. Knox and Roger Kerrens, and an uncle, John Kerrens.

Surviving are his parents, Clara J. LaBarre of Kalamazoo, MI and Dwuan R. Kerrens, of Battle Creek, MI; brother, Roger Kerrens of Battle Creek, MI; sister, Camille Trueheart of Atlanta, GA; four daughters, Naquita LaBarre, Samantha Phillips, Hayley Knox and Carley Knox all of Kalamazoo, MI; one son, Cole Knox of Kalamazoo, MI and eight grandchildren. He is also survived by paternal grandmother, Ettarene Goodwin Kerrens of Murphysboro, IL; aunts, Althea Knox of Memphis, TN; Rosemary Knox of Kalamazoo, MI; Sharon Hillman of Atlanta, GA; Crystal Montgomery, of Champagne, IL; Greta Foster of Rockford, IL; Dorothea Richardson; Carla (Joey) Jones; Angela (James) Jackson all of Murphysboro, IL; great aunts, LouVenia Brewster of Chicago, IL and Bettie J. Peaks of Columbus, OH; uncles, George L. Knox of Memphis, TN and Byron Kerrens of Rockford, IL; Rickey Kerrens, Lewis Kerrens, Victor Kerrens and Tony (Kelly) Kerrens all of Murphysboro, IL; cousin Donnell Knox who was more of a brother to Dwuan; and a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

1015 Gull Rd  
Kalamazoo, MI 49048-1733  
(269) 337-8227

# Previous Events

## Walk Through Visitation for Public

OCT **21**. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Graveside Service in Loving Memory

OCT **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Riverside Cemetery  
1015 Gull Road  
Kalamazoo, MI 49048

# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Dwan Lamar Knox



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Harper Funeral Home - October 20, 2020 at 08:56 PM



“ Mr. Dwan Lamar Knox

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October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Dwan Lamar Knox

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October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ I knew Dwaun as far back as Star World. He was always a bright light and willing to help anyone!!! He was always very good to me and my children. He would always stop by my job just to say hi and see how I was. You will definitely be missed!!! Im thankful that I got the chance to share a friendship with such a genuine loving fun person. RIH see you again one day

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Heather Moseley - November 14, 2020 at 12:02 AM

WB

“ To Clara and the rest of Dwuan's family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are thought of at this difficult time. Cherish the many memories you have of him.

Wendy Buckner - October 24, 2020 at 01:19 PM



“ I remember that cold and snowy Thanksgiving morning...you called your Aunt Rosemary to call me to call maintenance as you had stepped out of the Epic Center and the doors auto locked down for the Holiday. No coat. No car keys. Just frozen! I love you, my friend... it's surely latté time for us somewhere. 💔

Lisa Poole-Woldring - October 21, 2020 at 12:57 PM

LP

“ Lynora Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dwuan Lamar Knox



Lynora Patterson - October 21, 2020 at 12:45 PM

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“ A&L purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mr. Dwuan Lamar Knox.



A&L - October 20, 2020 at 01:25 PM

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“ *The Richards Family-Anthony, Tonia, and Shaun purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Dwuan Lamar Knox.*



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**The Richards Family-Anthony, Tonia, and Shaun** - October 20, 2020 at 12:42 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Mr. Dwuan Lamar Knox.*



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October 19, 2020 at 05:11 PM

 Fred Lawrence

“ *You are so missed brother I can't tell you how much. I am glad we had a chance to talk and laugh again. Our spirits will meet again my friend.*



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**Fred Lawrence** - October 18, 2020 at 04:51 PM

KI

“ I will remember your great big smile and your laugh that filled a room and made everyone smile back. I will remember your funny memes and your crazy videos you sent me. I will remember our talks we always had and the advice you gave me. You will be truely missed. I'll think about you often. And try to smile and not cry. You were truely a loyal and great friend anybody that knew you was lucky to have you in their lives. I Love You and will miss you❤️❤️❤️  
❤️RIH 🙏🙏🙏🙏😊😊😊😊

KimTaber - October 18, 2020 at 10:46 AM

BR

“ I will always remember all the time we shared over the past 3 years, casino, James Dean/ducktail weekend, making cookies..... You were the greatest friend I have ever had, always there for each other. I love you Knox and miss you 💕💕💕rest in heaven my friend

Bev Rider - October 17, 2020 at 08:38 PM

TH

“ Tanya Hollin sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Dwuan Lamar Knox



Tanya Hollin - October 17, 2020 at 12:32 PM

CA

“ I remember how you really liked pretty drinks like on the 4th of July one year we all went and ordered drinks that were red, white and blue ! I will always remember your acceptance of everyone but the biggest thing is that SMILE ! Your zest for life always happy ! Rest In Peace my sweet cousin you will not be forgotten ! 🙏❤️😭



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cora angell - October 17, 2020 at 10:37 AM