

# *Celebrating the Life of*



*Mark Jennings Kelley*

Sunrise: January 13, 1960 † Sunset: October 17, 2022

Saturday, November 5, 2022  
Metropolitan Community Church  
474 Ridge Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.



## *Acknowledgements*

It is with sincere gratitude we thank you for your expressions of sympathy through your words of comfort and for your presence today at Mark's celebration of life.

# *Tribute*

by Jeri Kelley

Mark Jennings Kelley, age 60, returned to his Heavenly Father on October 17, 2022, from his home in Falls Church, Virginia. He was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer less than one month prior to his death. Mark was born on January 13, 1962, the eleventh child (youngest boy) to Eustace and Margret Kelley. He attended Central Elementary and graduated from Pleasant Grove High School in 1980.

One of Mark's greatest passions was cooking. He had a wonderful teacher--his mom! From his mother's life history: "When Mark was growing up, I always said that every mother should have a Mark Kelley! When I left Mark in charge, I always came home to a clean house and a wonderful meal on the table." Mark attended the Culinary Institute in Washington D.C. He loved working at The Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Arlington, Virginia; The Grand Hyatt Washington; The Roof Hotel, Utah; The Country Club—SLC; Market Street Grill; and many others throughout his culinary career. His loved ones would like to thank his Ritz-Carlton family for taking such good care of Mark for the last fourteen years.

Mark also loved traveling, celebrating holidays (his Fourth of July parties were epic), and spending time with family and friends. Mark and Bill were very involved in and were grateful for their church community at Metropolitan Community Church. Thanks to them for their support during this difficult time.

Mark is survived by his husband and companion for the last twenty years, Bill Campbell; siblings: Lynda (Ken) Slater, Jim (Linda) Kelley, Robert (Carol) Kelley, Becky (Pharbus) Harper, Kevin (Kenna) Kelley, Jeri Kelley, Kimberly (Kurt) Robinson, Brett (Wendy) Kelley and Nancy Kelley. Mark loved 30 nieces and nephews and was made a great uncle over 100 times. He was preceded in death by his first partner, Lawrence Wilson; his parents, Eustace and Margret Kelley; two sisters, Beth Kortman and Christine Kelley; his sister-in-law, Linda Young Kelley; a brother-in-law, Pharbus Harper; and his stepfather, Ben Miller.

Mark's family will be forever grateful to Bill for bringing Mark home to Pleasant Grove, Utah so he could say goodbye. We were able to hold an impromptu family reunion on September 25<sup>th</sup>. We will miss you baby brother! We Love You! Till We Meet Again!

# *Order of Service*

<b>PRELUDE</b>		Min. Daniel Scearce
<b>WELCOME</b>		Rev. Elder Dwayne Johnson
<b>VIDEO PRESENTATION</b>		
<b>OPENING HYMN</b>	"How Great Thou Art"	Min. Daniel Scearce
<b>PRAYER OF COMFORT</b>		Rev. Cathy Alexander
<b>SONG OF COMFORT</b>	"It is Well With My Soul"	Min. Shirli Hughes
<b>SCRIPTURES</b>	Isaiah 40: 28-31	Francine Clark
	Romans 8: 35, 37-39	Doug Freeman
<b>SELECTION</b>	"My Redeemer"	Min. Michelle Lanchester
<b>TRIBUTES</b>		Friends and Community
<b>SELECTION</b>	"The Way We Were"	Min. Daniel Scearce
<b>EULOGIES</b>		Rev. Cathy Alexander
		Rev. Elder Dwayne Johnson
<b>SELECTION</b>		Min. Daniel Scearce
	"When We All Get to Heaven, What a Day of Rejoicing It Shall Be"	
<b>PRAYER OF COMMENDATION</b>		Rev. Cathy Alexander
<b>BENEDICTION</b>		Rev. Elder Dwayne Johnson
<b>BENEDICTION SONG</b>	"We Shall Behold Him"	Min. Daniel Scearce



**REPAST FOLLOWS IN THE WELCOME HALL**