



Minister Steven Billingslea

November 6, 1959 - October 23, 2024

Minister Steven Bonner Billingslea, a notable husband, father, brother, uncle, nephew, and cousin, peacefully transitioned on October 23, 2024, at 7:52 p.m. at ECU Health Medical Center in Greenville, NC.

Steve was born on November 6, 1959, in Plainfield, New Jersey. He was the son of the late Alfonso and Della Bonner Billingslea and husband of Rhonda Johnston Billingslea of Greenville.

He was a 1978 graduate of Plainfield High School and attended college in Missouri where he played football. Steve returned to New Jersey and attended Kean University where he pledged the Iota Epsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated in the Spring of 1981. He later received his bachelor's degree from UNC-Greensboro and a Master of Divinity from Shaw University.

Steve's career was diverse yet rewarding; his daughters often joked about how he had done a little bit of everything. He managed large restaurant chains and university cafeterias and spent time in sales. Nearly 20 years ago he discovered a love for health care and helping others. He became a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), repeatedly winning "Nurse of the Month". In 2015, he was called into the ministry and was ordained in 2018.

Steve was an avid reader and a sports enthusiast, who quoted stats and facts about every sport, if you asked Steve, he knew it. He had an infectious smile and kind spirit, often called the kindest person someone has ever met. Steve loved his fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated. In many aspects of his life, Steve portrayed the epitome in fatherhood, as a healthcare professional, a Kappa Man, and academic excellence.

Steve leaves to cherish his memory, a loving wife, Rhonda Johnston Billingslea of Greenville, NC and daughters Brittany and Christina Cox of Charlotte, NC; his siblings, Daphne Teel of Gainesville FL, Lloyd Billingslea (Teresa) of Piscataway, NJ, Lisa Spann-Hill (Walter) of Farmville, NC, Lynnell S. Billingslea of Raleigh, NC, Debra Collins (Toby) of Washington, NC, and Tina Marie Billingslea of Ocala, FL, as well as host of nieces and nephews, cousins, friends, and devoted fraternity brothers.

2 Timothy 4: 7-8

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Congleton Funeral Home and Cremations
3205 E. 10th Street
Greenville, NC 27858

Celebration of Life Service

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Cornerstone Missionary Baptist Church
1095 Allen Road
Greenville, NC

Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Congleton Memorial Mortuary - November 02, 2024 at 11:24 AM

AH

“ *Allison Hunter lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Allison Hunter - November 03, 2024 at 07:39 PM

JJ

“ *Condolences to Rhonda and the Billingslea family. My cousin Steve rest in peace.*



James-Wynn Family Jax,FI - November 02, 2024 at 10:56 AM

DP

“ *Rest easy in Paradise Steve.*



Donna M Pierce - November 01, 2024 at 11:52 PM

FF

“ Frederick T Alston Sr And Family lit a candle
in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea



Frederick T Alston sr and family - November 01, 2024 at 08:52 PM

TB

“ My condolences to the family. I know it hard but trust and believe
Steve is in a better place. God watch over the family as they lay
there loved one to rest tomorrow. Until we meet again.

Timothy Bonner - November 01, 2024 at 07:18 PM

TB

“ Timothy Bonner lit a candle in memory of
Minister Steven Billingslea



Timothy Bonner - November 01, 2024 at 07:15 PM

GG

“ Rest easy Uncle Steve. Condolences for the
family. Sending love from my daughters and
myself



Gaston Lamont Gray - November 01, 2024 at 01:48 AM

TA

“ Rhonda & family, Dennis & I extend our sincere condolences to you all! May the peace & blessings of God rest with each of you!💙💗🕊️



Theresa Adkins - October 31, 2024 at 06:44 AM

JM

“ Soror Billingslea, you and the family are in my prayers. Sincere condolences and prayers!



Jacquelyn McClaud - October 30, 2024 at 12:11 AM

LM

“ Sincere condolences and prayers to the Billingslea family. We are so sorry for your loss.



Lillie anmmacquelyn McClaud - October 30, 2024 at 12:10 AM

LM

“ Sincere prayers and condolences to the Billingslea family!



Lillie and Jacquelyn McClaud - October 30, 2024 at 12:08 AM

OW

“ *Ophelia Wilson lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Ophelia Wilson - October 29, 2024 at 01:32 PM

DE

“ *Darnella Edwards lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Darnella Edwards - October 29, 2024 at 11:25 AM

LF

“ *I will remember Rev. Billingslea as a passionate servant of God and an awesome teacher who inspired many with his wisdom and love for the Lord. He taught not only through his words but through the kindness, patience, and grace he showed in his interactions. May we all find comfort in the promise of eternal light, and may his legacy continue to live on in the hearts he has touched.*



LaVette Lang Ford - October 29, 2024 at 11:04 AM

BW

“ *Ben Wooten lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Ben wooten - October 29, 2024 at 03:03 AM

AR

“ *We will remember Rev. Billingslea as a very humble and sincere man trying to do God's will with his life.*
Ale and Teresa Richardson



Alton Richardson - October 28, 2024 at 09:48 PM

EP

“ *Elder Sharon Paige lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Elder Sharon Paige - October 28, 2024 at 07:50 PM

EP

“ *This true man of God will truly be missed. He was a true friend and I was and my husband will miss his wisdom and gentle spirit.*
Elder Sharon Bush Paige/Deacon Calvin Paige

Elder Sharon Paige - October 28, 2024 at 07:50 PM

CS

“ *Cecily Sene lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Cecily Sene - October 27, 2024 at 02:43 AM

BT

“ *Byron D Tyson lit a candle in memory of Minister Steven Billingslea*



Byron D Tyson - October 26, 2024 at 03:32 PM

EH

“ *My Condolences And Prayers Are With The Family*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - October 26, 2024 at 08:54 AM

CS

“ *Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolences on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.*



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - October 25, 2024 at 05:23 PM

LI

“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Steven Billingslea*



Linda - October 25, 2024 at 04:17 PM