



## William P Kelly Sr.

October 28, 1932 - December 23, 2020

William P. Kelly Sr., 88, of Ladson, husband of the late Sarah Jane Kelly, passed away on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at his residence.

Everyone is required to have their temperature checked at the door and to wear masks during the visitation and service. The Church will also be live streaming the service on there facebook page.

Family and friends are invited to attend his visitation on Sunday, December 27, 2020 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM at Heritage Holiness Church, 3836 Ladson Rd., Ladson, SC 29456. A funeral service will begin at 2:30 PM at Heritage Holiness Church. Burial will follow at Summerville Cemetery, 1330 Boonehill Rd., Summerville, SC 29483.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Heritage Holiness Church, 3836 Ladson Rd., Ladson, SC 29456.

William was born on October 28, 1932 in Charleston, SC, son of the late John William and Eva Jeanette Kelly. His sisters: Runette Kelly Sweat, Gladys Kelly Bunch, Lilbren Kelly Kirven, Bobby Jean Kelly Mazell, Shirley Kelly Dempsey, his brother, John "Sonny" Kelly precede William in death. He served in the US Navy aboard the USS Henderson and the USS Shannon, was a veteran of the Korean War, and was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the

China Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal with 2 stars, and the United Nations Service Medal. William was a member of Heritage Holiness Church and the Summerville Masonic Lodge, receiving his 50 year pin in 2020. He co-founded Kelly's BBQ in 1977 in Summerville. William enjoyed gardening, RC Colas with salted peanuts, MoonPies, tending his goats and horses, and telling a good story. He was a devoted husband and loving father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Survivors include three children: Marguerite Rodgers (Tim) of Hobe Sound, FL, William "Bubba" P. Kelly Jr. (Lisa) of Ladson, and Gene Kelly of Ladson; eight grandchildren: Ryan Beasley (Lauren), Jesse Beasley (Lyndsey), Chris Kelly, Kaytlin Kelly, Emily Kelly, Mason Kelly, Aubrey Kelly, and Reagan Kelly; seven great-grandchildren: Ellis Beasley, Oliver Beasley, Jesse Beasley, Daphne Beasley, Sam Kelly, Scarlett Beasley, and Ella Beasley; his sister, Frances Roszell of Ladson, sister-in-law, Linda Baldwin of Ladson, brother-in-law, Jake Dempsey of Holly Hill, and niece, Lynn Limehouse Priester (Jimmy) of Goose Creek.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at [www.jamesadyal.com](http://www.jamesadyal.com).

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUMMERVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

# Cemetery Details

## Summerville Cemetery

Hwy 17A Boone Hill Road  
Summerville, SC 29483

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Heritage Holiness Church  
3836 Ladson Road  
Ladson, SC 29456

## Funeral Service

DEC 27. 2:30 PM (ET)

Heritage Holiness Church  
3836 Ladson Road  
Ladson, SC 29456

# Tribute Wall



“ *James A Dyal Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William P Kelly Sr.*



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**James A Dyal Funeral Home** - December 26, 2020 at 09:37 AM

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*So many precious memories with Uncle William and Aunt Sarah. We miss you 💜 Sending my love to Margrit, Bubba, Gene and their families. Love always, Anna*

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**Anna Tierney Harvill** - December 27, 2020 at 01:51 PM



“ *William P Kelly Sr.*

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September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM

BW

“ *Sending my condolences to the family, ive known William ever since i was a lttle girl and he was a wonderful person and he will be missed and never forgotten, Love From Brenda Haynes Wickline.*

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**Brenda Brenda H wickline** - December 27, 2020 at 06:14 PM



“ 94 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**James A Dyal Funeral Home** - December 27, 2020 at 08:52 AM

JM

“ *I was at his house one day and he had a wheelbarrow full of red potatoes and I know that some people call them new potatoes. So I asked him if those were new potatoes and he said no, I got them last week.*

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**James Murphy** - December 26, 2020 at 10:31 PM

JR

“ *To know William and Sarah was a true blessing over the years. To family I send my condolences and say God blessed you with wonderful parents. They both were caring and loving people. I loved to talk with both of them. They are now resting in the arms of God, but very much missed on Earth. They did give joy and always positive people, can't ever express in words what they meant to me. May God give you children his love and grace at this time in your lives.*

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**Jean Rowland** - December 26, 2020 at 06:51 PM



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**James A Dyal Funeral Home** - December 26, 2020 at 09:27 AM

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“ Before Uncle William and Aunt Sarah had children of their own, I was their “rent-a-kid.” I spent weekends with them, sometimes a whole week in the summers. I played with the Kelly nieces and nephews, worked in the garden, milked the cow, fed the chickens, gathered eggs, and rode the horses he used to board. One horse in particular was my favorite. His name was King. I pretended he was mine. Uncle William taught me how to curry and groom him, bridle and saddle him, and ride him. We used to ride all the dirt roads that existed around Ancrum Road then, he on his best friend Buck and I on King. We’d ride up to Vinny Limehouse’s store to get the mail, and he would buy us an RC Cola and a bag of peanuts. We rode all over the area where the Piggly Wiggly is now. He taught me how to trot, canter, lope, and gallup. It didn’t get much better than that for a boy who loved horses! We would take little trips in his old pickup to Von Oshen’s store or Summerville to get feed, haul a cow he had raised to sell at market, and go to Hollywood to buy dressed hogs to barbecue. When I became a young man, he would stay up with me all night to BBQ a hog for our annual men’s club supper at Midland Park Methodist Church. He’d make the hash himself. (If you don’t know how he used to make hash, don’t ask!) He’d tell stories around a fire in that Geechie-Gullah drawl, sometimes making me strain to understand a single word he was saying, but he’d make me laugh. But the best thing he ever did was marry my Aunt Sarah. She was like my second mother / big sister all wrapped up in one beautiful person. I miss them so! But I’m glad they are together again, still loving those of us who loved them while they were here with us for all too short a time. I’m a better man because Uncle William was in my life. May he Rest In Peace.

*William Helmly  
Summerville*

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**William Helmly** - December 25, 2020 at 08:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William P Kelly Sr..*



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December 24, 2020 at 09:44 PM



“ *Uncle William, I Know You Are With The Angels Now .... Rest In Peace... You Always Made Me Laugh And I Will Never Forget That. Love YoU, Melanie Johnson*

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**Melanie Johnson** - December 24, 2020 at 07:07 PM



“ *Uncle William was always a kind gentle soul. Loved visiting the original Kelly's BBQ as a kid, and all the family gatherings he and Aunt Sarah hosted. Heaven has definitely gained a wonderful loving Angel! RIP Uncle William! ❤️🙏*

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**Ginger Baldwin Wiehrs** - December 23, 2020 at 09:57 PM