



Don McKinley Bounds

December 21, 1957 - November 12, 2025

Mr. Don McKinley Bounds departed this life on Wednesday, November 12th, 2025. We invite you to join us in supporting his family during this time of bereavement. Your presence, a heartfelt card, a signature in the registry book, or flowers will be deeply appreciated. Let us come together to celebrate the beautiful life of Mr. Bounds and honor his memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **28**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Hope United Methodist Church
26275 Northwestern Highway
Southfield, MI 48076

Family and Friends Hour

NOV **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

NOV **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Live-streamed funeral service in memory of Don McKinley Bounds* ”



Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services - November 29, 2025 at 10:31 AM

AC

“ *Alberta Curry lit a candle in memory of Don McKinley Bounds* ”



Alberta Curry - November 29, 2025 at 09:23 PM

LE

“ *LeiLa lit a candle in memory of Don McKinley Bounds* ”



LeiLa - November 29, 2025 at 12:34 PM

LA

“ Peaceful Journey Donny 🙏❤️



LaVette Anderson-Sorenson - November 29, 2025 at 10:41 AM

EF

“ You always left a smile on my face. Rest well, Donnie!

Elena Farmer - November 29, 2025 at 09:33 AM

LY

“ You will be truly missed, Sands. I will always cherish those memories in my heart. You're a good friend, my dude. #3-15-C for life.



Larry Younger - November 29, 2025 at 09:26 AM

VS

“ Vicki Smith lit a candle in memory of Don McKinley Bounds



Vicki Smith - November 28, 2025 at 10:07 PM

VS

Life will never be the same without you. You were one of a kind!

Vicki Smith - November 28, 2025 at 10:10 PM

GP

“ So many memories of us together. Our Fraternity bond goes back to the 80's ~ Everytime we got together was Awesome. YITB Rest Easy Donny 🙏💎



Gregory Pratchett - November 28, 2025 at 06:20 PM



“ Chelonde Hughes lit a candle in memory of Don McKinley Bounds



Chelonde Hughes - November 28, 2025 at 05:39 PM



DEARLY MISSED

Chelonde Hughes - November 28, 2025 at 05:40 PM

SH

“ Smart brother 😎 who always made you smile rest in peace!! See you on the other side!! S.Hollis



Steven Hollis - November 28, 2025 at 01:10 PM

CP

“ Cynthia Patton-Johnson lit a candle in memory of Don McKinley Bounds



Cynthia Patton-Johnson - November 28, 2025 at 08:59 AM

CP

EMU Homecoming, Always such a nice person:) You will truly be missed! Your family is uplifted in Prayer.

Cynthia Patton-Johnson - November 28, 2025 at 09:01 AM

MW

“ Maurice Evans and Angela Williams-Evans purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Don McKinley Bounds.



Maurice Evans and Angela Williams-Evans - November 28, 2025 at 08:53 AM

MW

“ Maurice Evans and Angela Williams-Evans planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Don McKinley Bounds.

Maurice Evans and Angela Williams-Evans - November 28, 2025 at 08:37 AM

DB

“ Donny Bounds, Mr. "Silly Love Song"
Dude you are Truly missed, R.I.P My Brother💔... You Truly Sung
that Song , Our Deepest Condolences to your Family 🙏🙏🙏🎵🕊️
David Banks' formerly of Enchantment 🎈



David Banks - November 28, 2025 at 08:31 AM

SA

“ My beloved Donny ❤️ saw me invited me out when I got there he was gone 🤔 but the rest was history we had such big fun in so little time .



THAT wasn't enough time baby .

You were an amazing man with a beautiful gentle spirit and soul . I'm going to miss your smiles are talks you checking on me leaving me hella voicemails 📞 I Thank you for all those ❤️ You showed me a new level of living and life .

Broaden my horizon to a height that was only ment for you to do baby . The tent 🏕️ parties with the Kappas and friends was epic each year .

Thanks for seeing me loving on me looking out for me . I'm glad you shared your heart with me and now you took a piece of my heart with you this means I'll be with you forever 🌹

All the fun we had the dinners the laughs the boat ,OMG the laughs so freaking many .

Who knew that would be our last time seeing each other 🙋 I appreciated your time everytime .

I will forever love you for being authentic and an amazing man in my life . You & Yoshi the reason I'm not scared of dogs today . This is so unfortunate and heartbreaking Donny R.I.P baby 💔 Fly high God and heaven has gained an 🎤 singing angel . I miss you already ❤️ until we meet again sweetheart 🤝❤️🥹

Sapphire - November 27, 2025 at 08:52 PM

SA

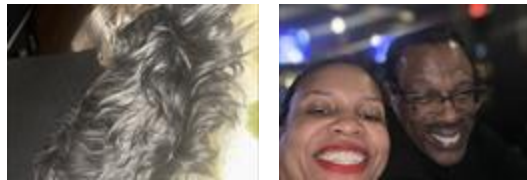
“ Sapphire purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Don McKinley Bounds.



Sapphire - November 27, 2025 at 07:32 PM

SS

“ My beloved Donny 🌺 saw me invited me out when I got there he was gone 🙄 but the rest is history we had such big fun in so little time . THAT wasn't enough time baby . You were an amazing man with a beautiful gentle spirit and soul . I'm going to miss your smiles are talks you checking on me leaving me hella voicemails 📞 I Thank you for all those ❤️.. You showed me a new level of living and life . Broaden my horizon to a height that was only ment for you to do . The tent 🏠 parties with the Kappas and friends was epic each time . Thanks for seeing me loving me looking out for me . All the fun we had the dinners the laughs the boat ,OMG the laughs so freaking many . Who knew that would be our last time seeing each other 🙄 I appreciated your time everytime . I will forever love you for being authentic and an amazing man in my life . You & Yoshi the reason I'm not scared of dogs today . This is so unfortunate and heartbreaking Donny R.I.P baby 💔 Fly high God and heaven has gained an 🎤 singing angel . I miss you already 🥹 until we meet again sweetheart ❤️🌺



Shay S - November 27, 2025 at 06:17 PM

TM

“ Tommy M. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Don McKinley Bounds.



Tommy M. - November 26, 2025 at 12:42 PM

TM

“ Tommy M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Don McKinley Bounds.

Tommy M. - November 26, 2025 at 12:42 PM

TM

“ Donnie, life called and you answered. You will be missed my brother, the memories we have of you will keep us company. May your soul and spirit R.I.P.

Tommy Marshall - November 26, 2025 at 12:32 PM

JE

“ Jennifer purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Don McKinley Bounds.



Jennifer - November 26, 2025 at 11:11 AM

MW

“ Fare well dear Donny. . . For so many yrs you have been a Joy, and blessing in my life, and you have meant more to me than you will ever know. I thank God your beautiful and gental spirit, and all the precious memories we shared through the years.
You will forever have a special.place in my heart, and you will be dearly miss, but never be forgotton .
GOD BLESS YOU DONNY . . R.I.P❤️

Mary Ella willians - November 25, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ Don, you were one of the true OGs I could always lean on— someone who brought laughter, support, and real conversation wherever you went. From the pranks we pulled at PSC to those moments where we’d just talk about work and life, you always had a way of putting a smile on anyone’s face.

I can still hear you today, yelling out “Black Jesus!” the second I walked into the room before a meeting, cracking everyone up.

Gonna miss you, Brother. Thank you for the memories, the laughs, and the love.



Nyk Jones - November 25, 2025 at 07:22 AM

AW

“ We will definitely miss you Donnie at our family reunions. RIP

Annette Westmoreland - November 22, 2025 at 10:23 AM

AB

“ *Kings of Kings*

I still find myself holding onto the smallest things, like the way you smelled, the warmth you brought into my life without even trying. I'll miss your laughter, your warmth, and your smile.

Thank you for giving me a home in your heart before you had to leave. I am grateful. I was allowed to be yours before you walked away.

I am sorry if I didn't fight hard enough to keep you alive, if I let you down in any way. I hope you find peace and happiness, even if it's a world away from me. You will always, always be in my heart. Angee B ❤️

Angee B - November 21, 2025 at 03:00 PM

PF

Donny, the world will be a little less bright without you in it. It is hard to believe you are gone. I remember the times we sang together, and how you loved being a part of the entertainment world, secular or religious.

May you find sweet rest with our Lord, and may your family continue to feel your presence until we are all in the hands and arms of our Savior and God.

Patricia Scotland and Family - November 25, 2025 at 11:25 AM

PF

The comments from Patricia and family should have said "Patricia Scotland, Erica Hayes and Alvin Lewis , Jr."

Patricia Scotland and Family - November 25, 2025 at 11:28 AM

MM

“ We thank you God Almighty, creator of the universe for allowing us all; the PanHellenic family, the International Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., church choirs, and members, with friends in every opportunity while listening to the wonderful spirit of Jesus Christ inside the love spreading melodic voice of the singing Donnie Bounds. Brother Bounds inspired this writer to be a member of the International 100 Voices of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He is missed in this life, however he is singing for the Lord in Heavenly Mansions. Blessings to all members of the Bounds Family and friends. Keep Don in your hearts. One day Jesus will return to Earth in the Second Advent. Keep Jesus first in your life and you and I will see the Lord and Brother Bounds singing and praising Jesus! In God we trust, faithfully, Mr. And Mrs. Michael “Tiger” Price

Michael “Tiger” Price, MBA - November 20, 2025 at 10:01 PM

DF

“ Derrell A. Snyder and Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Don McKinley Bounds.



Derrell A. Snyder and Family - November 20, 2025 at 09:18 PM

EB

“ For forty-six years I have known you, starting with my days as a Detroit Kappa Leaguer. We bonded as friends by the time I finished my senior year in high school and as brothers in the bond of fraternity in 1983. You were a real one and a true friend that I will surely miss. Rest easy my friend, until we meet again in Heaven.

May you continue to sing, lead bands and now perform for your Lord and Savior. Heaven has gained a true statesman and a man of principles. You were more than just a fraternity brother, but a friend that I will never forget.

Eric Brown - November 20, 2025 at 04:16 PM

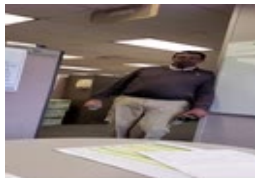
LY

“ I Remember the day you crossed, being the tail dog requires a lot. You gave your all that night and broke your ankle. That was the sign of your commitment to Kappa Alpha Psi, from that day forward you showed how your love for our Fraternity showed up. Every brother continues to say these words and I'll repeat them..... YOU ARE A NUPES NUPE! Rest well Donnie B. I'll see you on those Golden Shores Teddy Bear 10/9/77

Lawrence Younger - November 20, 2025 at 03:40 PM

CE

“ Donnie.....we had some of the best times being silly at PSC. You will be missed. Get your rest Sir.
My condolences to his family and close friends. May Gods blessings shower you all with peace.



Celina - November 20, 2025 at 10:19 AM

LD

Hey Nupe with you going to the Golden Shore we lost some coolness.



Larry Davis - November 20, 2025 at 05:21 PM

JK

“ *So many wonderful memories with my friend Donnie always a smile and a laugh I will cherish all the house parties he would've have at his home or ball rooming with him in the latest night clubs or just chilling with him and the gang on his beautiful boat. He would love to tease me about everything I will miss you my friend. Jennifer Knott*



Jennifer Knott - November 19, 2025 at 07:46 PM

JK

*My condolences to the family!
Donnie was always the life of our get togethers the brightest smile and contagious laugh rather we were hanging at his place or the Kappa house he made sure you were good.
May the lord bless you my friend
Jennifer Knott*

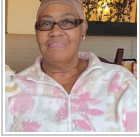
Jennifer Knott - November 19, 2025 at 07:53 PM

EP

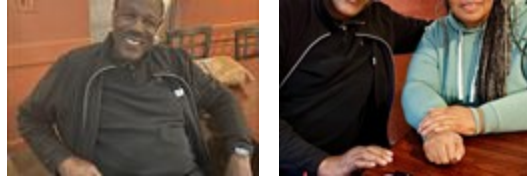
Donny was my Big Brother in KAΨ, someone that I admired. He kept me laughing and I'll miss his infectious smile the most. Until we meet again at the Golden Shore ♦

My condolences to the entire Bounds Family.

Eric Pate - November 20, 2025 at 04:02 PM



“ Always a smile and a great guy. Donny we will miss you. May you rest in peace and keep on singing up in Heaven.



June Heath - November 19, 2025 at 06:09 PM



“ To the Bounds Family, my condolences and prayers go out to each and every one of you. Donny was a special kind of guy loved by all! Donny was more than my friend, he was like family. When both of my parents passed away he sat on the family row with all the other siblings. Donny loved my Mother who he affectionately call “Momma Cozy” and she loved him as well. Donny get your rest ole Cookie Head Boy, you are loved by all , and will be missed. Gone but never forgotten! Kiss your Momma Cozy for me. I met you as a stranger, I took you as a friend, I’ll meet you in Heaven where Friendship never ends! Your girl Sweet Debbie “C”! ❤️🙏💋



Debra Cornay-Hampton - November 19, 2025 at 03:41 PM



“ You will be missed 🙏 hearing you sing always thrilled my soul. You will forever be in my ❤️



Joann Bentley/ Val's Cousin - November 19, 2025 at 08:26 AM

KS

“ *My rather his ride along to Virginia to deliver trucks for the storm in Puerto Rico 2017*



Kimberly Smith - November 19, 2025 at 07:26 AM

DS

“ *Uncle Donny ! Just met you this year in February & instantly you became my uncle. Every time I came out with your crew I would ask for you! I wish when you asked me to sing I would've. From now on I'll do just that. SING! Glad I had a chance to meet you & hear your singing voice. Rest Peacefully Uncle Donnie.. -Diamond aka Diva D GrandDaughter*❤️🙏



Diamond Smith - November 18, 2025 at 10:18 PM

TS

“ *Ima miss u we always had a ball when we linked up i still cant believe u gone rest in paradise my friend my condolences to the family*



Tee Samuel - November 18, 2025 at 03:33 PM

DS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Diane Smith - November 18, 2025 at 02:03 PM

SS

Sending my condolences heartfelt prayers ❤️

Shinika Smith - November 18, 2025 at 02:42 PM

HF

Always a smile, a laugh, a great conversation with jokes 4 sure. You will be greatly missed my brother, my friend. Sending my condolences to his family. Love you Donny!

Heather Freeman - November 21, 2025 at 10:10 AM

BU

*I am so sorry to see this about Donny Bounds, and too late (Dec 1) to attend and pay my respects to this wonderful man. I met him in 1997 (?) when a large group of us put on "Changing Channels," a play about how the Detroit Edison corporate culture was changing for the coming competitive age. He was delightful and talented and made the experience so much fun for everyone. I keep thinking we need to have a reunion of the "Changing Channels" cast, and I'm sorry we have lost one of the stars before that reunion happened. Sending my deep condolences to Donny's family and his many friends.
Bert Urbani*

Bert Urbani - December 01, 2025 at 06:37 PM