

Don't Cry For Me

Don't Cry for me, because I'm free, I'm gone to a place that's been prepared for me, a place where there will be no more pain, crying, nor sorrow, yes, I'm free. Let my work on this journey speak for me because I'm gone, to be with my Master for all eternity, to that place that's been prepared for me. Don't cry for me. I ran the race, and now I can see my sweet Jesus' face, yes my sweet Jesus' face, Yes I'm free, yes, let my work while on this journey speak for me.



Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

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Acknowledgements

Your comforting expression of sympathy will always be remembered with deep gratitude. We thank you most sincerely. From the family of, Deonte Gay.

Arrangements Entrusted To:
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Celebrating THE LIFE OF



FEBRUARY 25, 1996

JULY 15, 2024

Deonte Gay

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2024

WAKE: 10:30 AM
FUNERAL: 11:00 AM



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Order of Services

Organ Prelude.....

Processional.....

Scripture.....Psalm 23

Prayer.....Rev. Tony Minor

Selection.....Precious Lord Take My Hand
(Mahalia Jackson)

Acknowledgements/Resolutions.....

Special Remarks.....(Limit to two minutes please)

Obituary.....

Eulogy.....Rev. Tony Minor

Recessional.....

Repast:

4795 Turney Road
Garfield Heights, OH 44125

Parking & Entrance In The Rear



Obituary

Deonte Gay was born on February 25, 1996 to Chanell Gay and the late Myron Joseph Smith. He was the second of four siblings, born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio.

Deonte attended Cleveland Public Schools and graduated from Langston Hughes High School in 2013. His charm and wit opened the doors to many employment opportunities throughout his adulthood. His favorite work experiences always included those that allowed him to interact with people and provide great customer service.

Deonte was a great artist with extraordinary raw talent. In fact, drawing was one of his favorite pastimes, especially in his youth. Deonte was also the comedian of the family. He liked putting smiles on the faces of his family and loved ones. He did great impressions of the people he loved. One of his most humorous comedy routines included doing impressions of his Uncle Anthony.

Deonte was also a foodie who enjoyed trying new recipes and exotic foods. He was also a Michael Jackson enthusiast, with the moves to match. He genuinely loved being around family. In fact, the absolute joy of Deonte's life was being a father to his daughter, Denver Reign Howard-Gay (5). She adored her father just as much as he adored her. Like two peas in a pod, they were inseparable. Deonte's joy was always evident in his infectious smile, which he was always willing to share. He had a unique, rare innocence that people found comforting. Above all, Deonte had a heart of gold. He was not only nice, but he was kind. Nice is what his family taught him to be. Kind is the way he was born.

His Father, Myron J. Smith preceded him in death. Deonte leaves to cherish his memory, his daughter Denver Reign Howard-Gay (Tomara); his mother Chanell Gay (Wilbert); his siblings Jayvon Gay, Cameron Shelton, Aries Shelton, Myron Smith Jr.; Auntie Twila Gay; Uncles Anthony Gay (Tillie), Roy Gay (Antoinette), Earnest J. Smith; two loving Grandmothers, Carolyn Gay and Yvonne Smith, and one Great Grandmother Mildred Smith; Nephews Rayvon Martin, Avery Solone; Niece A'layah Briscoe, and a host of cousins, friends, and loved ones.

Humbly submitted,
The Family