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Our third child, a son born on November 2, 2003, in Queens, New York, with reddish brown hair and a beautiful smile. A smile that got brighter with every moment of the 17 years, 3 months, 14 days, 1 hour and 16 minutes you were allowed to bless this world with your presence, until you departed on February 17, 2021.

The world will miss your phenomenal basketball skills, and your musical talent as the artist D.T.F which you explained meant “Devoted Through Faith”. I could not control the tears when I remember those talks you and I had about your future, as you would quietly and calmly respond, “yes dad I will focus on bringing up the grades” and you did. Your desire to pursue a career in finance and someday owning a luxury car dealership is now secondary, as you have graduated my son from this earthly experience to the highest level of glory to be with God your creator.

Reminiscing on those trips to school from St Joachim and Ann, then to IS/PS 208 middle school, then Teachers HS, and finally Lake Nona HS, with a few weeks at Econ River to recover some credits to graduate on time, you matured and grew. We saw a child growing into a young man. The beard

started to show, while the hair grew longer and you decided to color it to coordinate with your shade of brown skin.

We may never understand why you leave the house that day to play basketball, after being at home for two weeks completing quizzes and recording music. We may never understand why you had to depart this earth that day. However, what we do understand is that your God given ability, that desire to always help others, and always see goodness and light in even the darkest of souls in this world, never waver, as you navigate your path back to God your creator to bask in his presence and glory for eternity.

My son, we will continue the work you have started and build upon the foundation you left us. Your passing will never be in vein. Your younger siblings missed their older brother who took them under his wings and share his knowledge of life, academics, basketball, music and so much more. The trips to the pool and basketball court, and being up all night playing video games will never be the same. Your older siblings have no more tears to cry. Everyone at home misses your quiet confidence and silky smooth movement as you navigate your 6 foot 3 inches frame throughout the house.

Your mom and I, along with the rest of the extended family can't begin to understand why you had to leave us so suddenly and so soon. However, we know uncle Zanu and your favorite guidance counselor Mrs. Withfield's daughter, along with our ancestors that returned home before you, have welcomed you into Gods paradise and show you how to use your new angel wings.

The physical body you left behind which you work so hard to develop with great nutrition, discipline and exercise will be treated with the traditional celebration of life service and burial according to our Christian faith. We know without your spirit that body alone is just a shell and not you, my son.

Your mom misses her baby with whom she would enjoy those long calm conversations late at night. She mourns your passing every day since we received that devastating phone call. However, we do thank God every day for granting us the presence of his holy spirit that will grant us peace and the strength to guide us through this very difficult path, as we continue our work on earth and that journey back to our creator.

As your earthly parents, we thank you for granting us the opportunity to mentor, mold and influence you. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to learn from you. Thank you for being a great brother. Thank you for the opportunity to witness the presence of an angel on earth named Dillon Anthony Paul. We will never have another son like you. You were intelligent, ambitious and peaceful and filled with love. You were encouraging, happy, courageous, talented, quiet and very confident, simply the best. Your absence is a great void in this world as we pull the pieces together and move forward. You will always be a major part of our lives forever.

<https://tributestream.live/celebration-of-life-for-dillon-anthony-paul/>

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

1603 Greenwood Street
Orlando, FL 32801

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations
910 W. Michigan Street
Orlando, FL 32805
(407) 841-4424
<https://www.acommunityfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 4. 6:00 PM (ET)

A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations
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Orlando, FL 32805
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<https://www.acommunityfuneralhome.com/>

Gathering for Burial

MAR 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ A Community Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dillon Anthony Paul



A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations - February 24, 2021 at 03:10 PM

AC

I will always remember Dillon smile it melted my heart every time I remembered when you were born ,I remember jalisa holding you and talking about she is going to take you from your mom lol ,you will be missed but not forgotten rip love Adrienne channer

Adrienne channer - March 04, 2021 at 05:54 PM

JF

I will always remember that sweet smile and watching you at the old house on Hollis you grew up to be a lovely young gentlemen I will. miss you sending my love and condolences to the family Cenia Brandon Omar I love you guys . Love jalisa

jalisa fulmore - March 05, 2021 at 07:04 AM

SO

“ am so shocked to learn this sad news. I'll always remember your performance headlining and singing Louis Armstrong's "Hello Dolly," at our Black History Month assembly at Sts. Joachim and Anne. Your eyes smiled that night! You were a shy fourth grader with much kindness; you could never hurt a fly. I'll also always remember your distinctive handwriting and how you wrote your name. Thank you for teaching me about patience. I enjoyed reading everyone's happy memories. May Jesus bless and comfort your family. "Miss A"



Sophia - April 01, 2021 at 08:57 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



March 04, 2021 at 08:53 PM

BA


“ On behalf of the Andrews and Ramsay family, I extend our Sincere sympathy to Cena, Patrice and the entire family. I've met Dillon only once in His Lifetime and He was very pleasant. Cry with Faith! Weeping endures for a night but Joy cometh in the morning! In days and years to come May the Joy of the Lord be your strength! To us that remain, please continue to live in Love and do not take Any day, any thing or anyone for Granted! Life is indeed too Short! Peace, Love & Grace! God bless! Be safe Everyone! R I P Dillon!

Bernadette Andrews - March 04, 2021 at 08:52 PM

RH

“ We are all so sorry for this loss. Dillon was loved by many

Rhonda - March 04, 2021 at 08:04 PM

 Lori Morgan

“ 💎💎💔💔💔 Heartbreaking!!! honestly I just still have no words. To know the jewel, precious jewel, you are to dad and mom, bros and lil sis....to all your buddies and family near and far....you, a gem, to all, have been prematurely taken from us. It REALLY breaks my heart. I'm SO sorry especially because I watched Cenia and P nurture you guys and raise you guys amazingly well through the years. NO parent should have to experience this!!!! May God continue to cushion all of our hearts and minds in His all-loving hands as we cope with feeling this pain. This one hit different man! Prayers non-stop for the whole fam most definitely. My love AND ADMIRATION for you guys is never-ending. Out of sight, but never out of mind. All our love, Lori Morgan & Jason Taylor

Lori Morgan - March 04, 2021 at 07:56 PM

BJ

This is Bonita John from Brooklyn NY. My condolence to the Paul's family. It's very hard to say goodbye to our love ones especially when so young. May God continue to bless and keep you, give you all comfort and solace in your bereavement. Rodney and Cicely I will keel you and family in my prayers. 🙏

Bonita John - March 04, 2021 at 08:58 PM

ST

“ It was a beautiful service! To my family, I love each and everyone of you! God bless
#DillonRestInPeace #InCelebrationOfDillon #GoneTooSoon
#YourMemoriesWillLiveOn #WeMissYouWeLoveYou

stacy - March 04, 2021 at 07:36 PM

TG

“ Dillion bro when I found out this news I was heartbroken 💔!!! my brother Brandon lost his brother and uncle in such a short Period of time. I hope you watch over your family and continue to send blessings their way. RIP DILLION My condolences to the Paul family

Travis G. - March 04, 2021 at 05:28 PM

 Aneasa Jadan

“ My heart is broken, my thoughts and prayers are with the family



Aneasa Jadan - March 04, 2021 at 05:08 PM

LS

“ Hi this is Lisa from the corner of 202. I remember Dillon walking by my house bouncing his basketball when he was little. Thank you for being one of my son Dean's first friends. You will be missed and I pray for your family everyday.

Lisa Wyatt 202 street - March 04, 2021 at 04:56 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



March 04, 2021 at 04:27 PM

ST

“ I’m lost for words, Dillon I can’t believe you are no longer physically with us but your spirit will live on! We love you and miss you dearly. God. Bless you and may you Rest In Peace and watch over us all.
From: The Smith-Fernandes family

stacy - March 04, 2021 at 03:57 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



March 04, 2021 at 03:51 PM

KS

“ Love you my nephew..sleep on and take your rest. Until that resurrection morning 🌅 SIP.

Karen Simpson Spencer - March 04, 2021 at 11:00 AM

KF

“ Dillion you messed me up with this one can't believe someone took someone so sweet, so kind hearted, so thoughtful. I remember us always walking around Hollis, me coming to see you play basketball, the summer nights 😊. God earned another angel today and he got lucky with this one, to know there laying you down to rest makes my heart so heavy I love you watch over me 🙏🏻🙏🏻🙏🏻🙏🏻🙏🏻
😭 #LLD🙏🏻💙



Kaiya Fields - March 04, 2021 at 10:49 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



March 04, 2021 at 09:17 AM

ZF

“ Zolile Hunte & family. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



Zolile Hunte & family. - March 04, 2021 at 08:55 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.*



March 03, 2021 at 07:29 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.*



March 03, 2021 at 04:59 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.*



March 03, 2021 at 10:17 AM

EF

“ I Miss the Precious Moments with my brother Dillion. We shared the same passions & aspirations to rise as athletes to live our true dreams. I remember growing up with him and his brothers before beautiful gabby was born. All my brothers Ethan, Dillion, Brandon, JR., & Omar. My sister Anita and I Sabrina/Eulalia. We use to play so much in Hollis growing up and go over to each other's Home. I love all my brothers and it hurts to see & know the injustice done to my brother Dillion. I know at 17 it's a tough age and I wish I could have been there for him more. I wish I could have heard his laughter once more, his jokes, his singing & see his huge shining smile. To see him graduate and live out his dreams. It was so beautiful to see him grow all these years. I remember him confining in me before he went to high school on what to expect. I told him everything I knew and he already knew that he could lean on me. I always wanted to see one of his basketball games too. God, I miss you Dillion.

My Mothers Marcia & Cenia helped me grow as well and I know how impactful this news has been for them. I just pray that we all heal from this and live in honor of Dillion. I love you so much and I know you are in a peaceful place my love. You will always be a legend in the hall of fame to us.

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*This was taken on Easter



Eulalia x Sabrina Finley - March 02, 2021 at 12:21 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.*



March 01, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Dillon's loss is beyond heartbreaking. I will never forget his smile or the way he could light up the room by showing it. He will be missed, by many, and never forgotten.*



KLF - March 01, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ *Dillion you really messed me up with this one 🤔, even though I can't find out videos or pictures you were such good vibes and every time you smiled I always told you , your smile was so cute with your dimple and braces . Every time I seen you Dillion it was always good vibes never a dull moment with you your friends in QHST and class of 2021 is gonna make sure your spirt lives on 💔. LongLiveDillion 💙🕊️ love you friend and miss you visit me anytime you want and give me sign so I can give others that you are fine .*



Imani - February 28, 2021 at 09:51 PM

 Tiana
Ford
Woods

“ *When my son Shamar came to me in tears with this tragic news I said no this is not true no, I was hurt because my son was hurting, and you were a great person and friend to him and I had high hopes for you in your career, which is why I said I would help you also get your music out to the world. My whole household went silent and you know it’s always loud with all of the children, you were like part of the family. To the parents, siblings, and everyone you all have my deepest condolences and I hate you all are going through this pain and most of all I hate this great always smiling and respectful young man you all raised life and career was cut short.* 🥹



Tiana Ford Woods - February 28, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.*



February 27, 2021 at 11:46 AM

SH

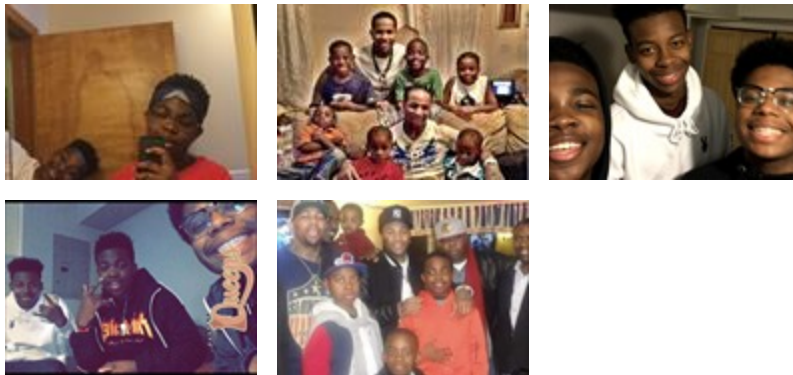
“ dillon you hit home with this one 😞 .. make it make sense my boy, i can't cope w this & it's eating me up alive every single day knowing you're not here.. pls just let me know you're okay. i love you forever, come visit me whenever. class of 2021 & qhst gon make sure you live on, i love you once again dill.. - shi ❤️



shinice - February 25, 2021 at 10:06 PM

WA

“ My first brother 🧔🏾



wade - February 25, 2021 at 07:26 PM

KA

“ My little cousin I'm gonna miss you so much. I wish I could've spent some more time with you. Rest easy, I love you



kaitlyn - February 25, 2021 at 07:15 PM

AV

“ Rip my sweet boy, you always knew how to make me smile and taught me how to be loved correctly. You're forever in my heart, I never believed in soulmates until I met you. Until next time bff.. fly high



Ava - February 25, 2021 at 06:17 PM

JW

🌸🍄🥲🌸🍄🥲❤️ YOUR MEMORY'S WILL LIVE ON FOREVER ,
RIP HANDSOME 🙏🙏🙏❤️🙏🙏

Janice walsh - February 27, 2021 at 05:46 PM

CH

“ My Beautiful, sweet Dill you went too soon💔 You had so many plans for you in the future, you were going to be so great. Although it hurts, I know God has brought you to a better place where you can be in peace. You touched so many hearts and lives and all I can think is how much happiness you brought into people's lives. Such a caring, humble, sweet and ambitious soul with so much love and life ahead of you. You and your family will always be in my prayers🙏
Love you forever



Chloewe - February 25, 2021 at 06:13 PM

JW

RIP ANGEL 🌸🍄🌸🍄🙏❤️

Janice walsh - February 27, 2021 at 05:44 PM



“ Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



February 24, 2021 at 05:42 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dillon Anthony Paul.



February 24, 2021 at 12:41 PM



“ My sweet baby cousin Dillon❤️ From this cute little baby sleeping next to me , you grew up to be such a handsome young man. I miss the times when you, Omar, Brandon and Ethan would come over by us in Brooklyn to just hang up and have fun 😊 but evidently we ended up growing apart. I am truly glad that we were able to be blessed with your presence and I will always cherish these memories and continue to love you from the bottom of my heart❤️ You can now sleep in peace now young king 🙏 please watch over us and know that no matter what you'll be here with us in our hearts ❤️



Rayna Paul-Page - February 24, 2021 at 12:28 PM

EF



Eulalia x Sabrina Finley - March 02, 2021 at 12:26 PM



“ My sweet nephew Dillon, you are missed. We were looking forward to your graduation from high school this year as we did with each grandchild before you. All of us are broken hearted 💔 Sleep in peace my sweet smiling handsome nephew. 😭🙏🙏🙏

Janine Paul - February 24, 2021 at 12:15 PM

RE

“ It's so hard to come to grips with the fact that I will not be able to see your cute, warm infectious smile on this earth anymore. It's too hard to say goodbye to my son. You were a special kind. Having your birthday a day of mind was priceless. We will forever be in this heart that your tragic death has broken 💔 in pieces. But I will continue to trust God. I take it God he needed you very much and that's why you're not here.

Ruth Edwin - February 23, 2021 at 09:30 PM

NW

My Nephew Dillon gone too soon

neville wood - February 23, 2021 at 10:18 PM



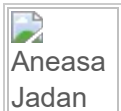
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Janine Paul - February 23, 2021 at 11:17 PM

WB

May God comfort the family during this time of lost, sleep on, ill cuz., until that getting up morning.

Wayne Bristol - February 23, 2021 at 11:39 PM



May God give strength to each family member and know that, each minute Dillon was with us was precious full of Joy I miss him but I know God will work all things out for those that love Him Dillon smile will not be forgotten.

Aneasa Jadan - February 24, 2021 at 07:05 AM

AB

I remember that shy little boy who I used to call Mrs Senior quite son. I still can't imagine Dillon gone from this world but God knows all things. Only God can strengthen each family member and supply all your needs at this time because He knows your pain better than anyone. Love always, God bless you all 🙏

Angela Berry - February 24, 2021 at 08:16 AM

JO

I pray that the God of the Bible strength you all. I always love to see his smile , however I know he will be remembered with love and laughter
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joan - February 24, 2021 at 09:24 AM

TL

I pray that Jesus will hold you and keep you during this time. Dillon will truly be missed especially his contagious smile. My condolences to the family from Ms. Lally, Registrar at Lake Nona High School.

Tia Lally - March 04, 2021 at 03:06 PM