

TINY HANDS

I hope you felt the comfort in my words of love so deep, I hope you knew my hopes and dreams and what you meant to me. It's so much more than words can say or what the eyes can see. Tiny hands and tiny feet, the most beautiful baby I ever did meet. As small as you were, the biggest part of my heart you hold, and that's where it will remain until I'm grey and old.

For a long time, my skies have been so grey, and it's hard to find words to say, but I'll try now, I hope that's okay.

To me, you are the breeze that softly whispers by, and gently dries my tears.
You're the sun that lights my heart and mind, and takes away my fears.
You've never truly left my love, you're wrapped within my heart. A lifetime love, forever close, I know we'll never part.

I miss you.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family of Diamond Legacy Esquire Phillips wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this hour of bereavement. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support and comfort. It is immensely appreciated!



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Diamond Legacy
ESQUIRE PHILLIPS

TUESDAY – JULY 28, 2026

VISITATION: 1:00 PM
SERVICE: 2:00 PM

THE CHAPEL OF PEACE NORTH
2500 CLEVELAND AVENUE
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OBITUARY



With profound sadness and everlasting love, we announce the passing of our precious son, Diamond Legacy Esquire Phillips, who was born on May 11, 2026, in Columbus, Ohio, and peacefully gained his angel wings on July 2, 2026, at just seven weeks old. He is preceded in death by his grandmother, Noreen Phillips and great-grandfather, Leonard McKnight.

Though Diamond's time on earth was brief, the love he brought into the lives of his family will last forever. Every moment with him was a treasured gift. He found comfort in his warm milk, being cuddled, showered with kisses, listening to music, and peacefully swinging in his swing. Diamond had the sweetest smile and a beautiful dimple on his left cheek that could brighten any room and touch every heart. He was a calm and gentle baby, only fussing when he was hungry or needed a diaper change. His quiet spirit and unconditional love left an unforgettable mark on everyone who had the blessing of meeting him.

Diamond is lovingly survived by his devoted Parents: De'Shea Phillips and Tobias Collins; his beloved Siblings: Dayana Phillips, De'Shea Phillips-Pursley, and Da'Céé-David Phillips; his Grandmother: Tamra Collins; Grandfather: Donnie Baumgardner; his Great-Grandmother: Taylor P. Collins; loving Godmother: Brittney Jones; Aunt Shalonda and Uncle Brian McIntosh, and a host of aunts, uncles, other family members, and friends who will forever cherish his memory.

Although Diamond's life was only seven weeks long, he taught those around him the true meaning of unconditional love, hope, and the preciousness of every moment. He will forever be remembered, deeply loved, and eternally missed. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew him until the day they are reunited with him.

“And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.” Mark 10:16

“Sometimes the smallest feet leave the biggest footprints on our hearts.”

Forever loved. Forever missed. Forever our Diamond.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude.....*“I Smile”*
By: Kirk Franklin

Scripture Reading.....Clergy
Old Testament:
New Testament:

Prayer of Comfort.....Clergy

Selection.....Da'Shea Phillips-Pursley
Brother

Remarks.....Family and Friends
Two Minutes Please

Tribute to My Son.....De'Shea Phillips
Mother

Reading of the Obituary

Selection.....*“Heaven”*
By: Beyonce'

The Eulogy
Rev. Dr. Annette Jackson
Associate Minister – Director of Ministry
New Salem Baptist Church

Closing Selection.....*“It's So Hard to Say Goodbye”*
By: Boz II Men

Benediction..... Rev. Dr. Annette Jackson

