

Funeral Arrangements Have
been Entrusted To:

Renfro, Patterson, and Jordan Funeral Home

647 Forest Ave.
Cincinnati, Oh 45229

Young-Levett Funeral Home

3106 West Street SW
Covington, GA 30014

Pallbearers

- Marko Rice
- Ryan Johnson
- Tom Sampson
- Stanley Johnson
- Jerrell Horne
- Jamel Bozeman

Repast To Immediately Follow The Service

The Laisadal Event Center
6050 Dog Leg Rd
Dayton, OH 45415



DEJUAN

M I C H A E L J O H N S O N

MAY 16, 1973 – MAY 3, 2026

A LIFE WELL LIVED LEAVES FINGERPRINTS ON THE HEARTS OF EVERYONE IT TOUCHES.

DeJuan Michael Johnson was one of those rare people whose presence could light up a room, shift the energy of a conversation, and make complete strangers feel like family. On Sunday, May 3, 2026, surrounded by love and covered in prayer, DeJuan transitioned from this earthly life into eternal rest.

Born on May 16, 1973, in Dayton, Ohio, to Harold Johnson and Eva Browning, DeJuan's life journey was rooted deeply in love, resilience, faith, family, and connection. He was lovingly raised by his maternal grandparents, especially his beloved grandmother, Arvella Harry C. Browning, whose love, guidance, and strength helped shape him into the man so many came to know and love.

DeJuan went to Jefferson City Schools and graduated from Jefferson High School in 1991. He also attended College for a short time. In 1998, DeJuan and Latonya Rodgers welcomed their first child, a daughter named Royalty. Not long after, they welcomed two more children, another daughter, Reality Johnson, and a son, Prophet Johnson.

In 2003, DeJuan met the love of his life, Kia Adams Johnson. Their love story blossomed into a beautiful marriage in August 2006. Together, they relocated to Atlanta, Georgia, where they built a life grounded in love, laughter, family, and partnership for nearly 23 years. Anyone who encountered them could see the depth of his love for Kia through both his words and his actions. She was truly his person, and he made certain she knew it every day.

A visionary by nature and an entrepreneur at heart, he became the Co-CEO of Tall Entertainment Music Productions along with longtime friend George Anderson III, who preceded him in death. He was the CEO of RRP Investments, a real estate investment company. He was also Co-Founder of Oui Love Frenchies LLC, along with his wife, Kia Adams-Johnson. DeJuan was a man of ideas, ambition, creativity, and hustle — always finding ways to build, create, and support the people around him.

Sports were one of DeJuan's lifelong passions, especially basketball. His talent on the court earned him opportunities to play at the collegiate level and overseas. He played basketball into his 40's and made a lifetime of relationships. Some of his most treasured memories included living abroad in Belgium and France while his father played professional basketball. His dad was his idol. DeJuan became fluent in French and developed a deep appreciation for culture, travel, and life experiences beyond what he had known growing up.

IN LOVING MEMORY

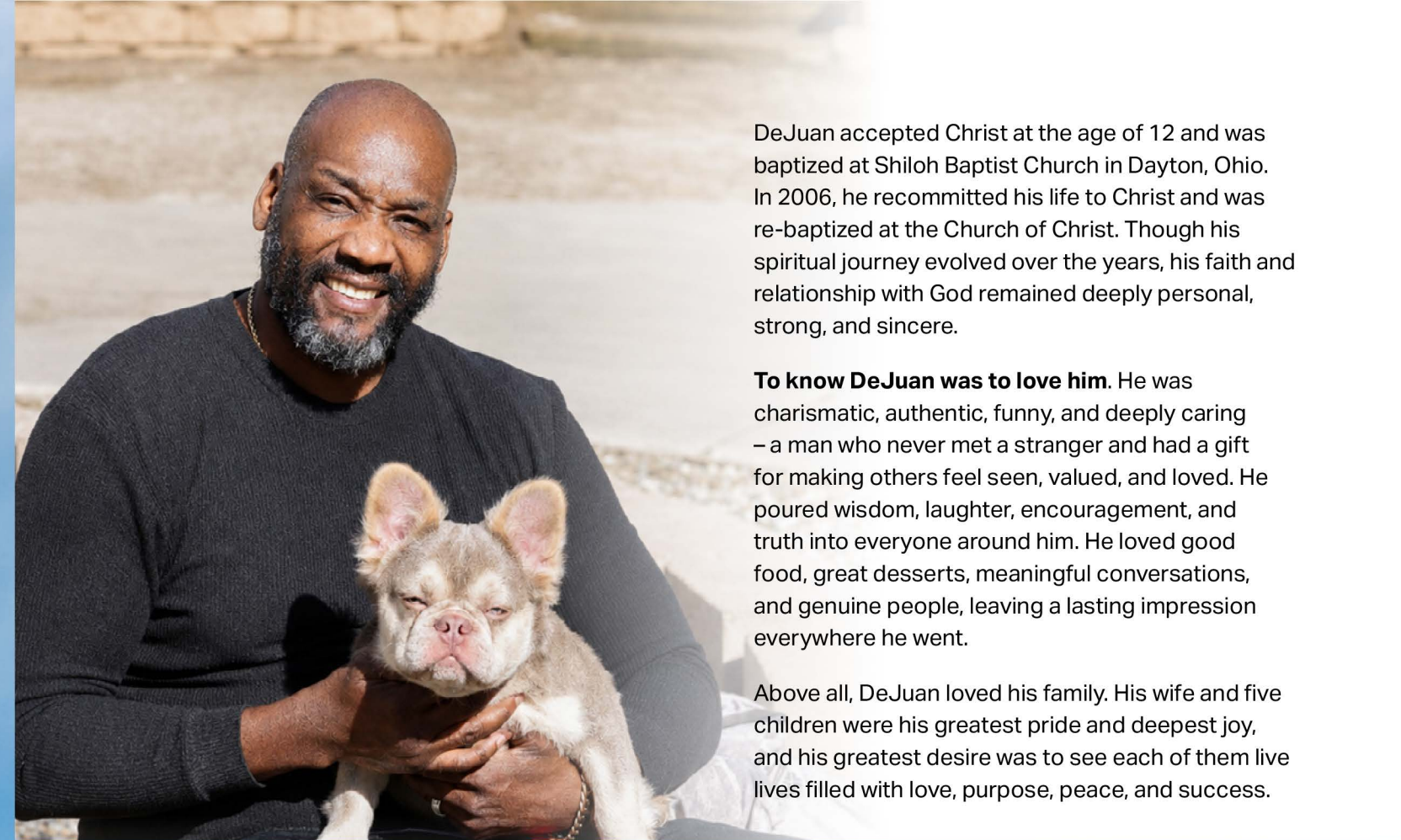
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with HEARTFELT THANKS

The family wishes to express our sincere gratitude for the many prayers, visits, phone calls, emails, cards, flowers, and countless other expressions of love, sympathy, and support shown during this difficult time. Your kindness and presence have brought comfort and strength to our family.

A heartfelt thank you to Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church and Pastor Bishop Robert Warren Lyons Jr. for graciously hosting our family and friends. We also extend special appreciation to Pastor Christopher D. Landrum, and Jon Patterson of Renfro, Patterson, and Jordan Funeral Home, for your compassion, guidance, and support.



DeJuan accepted Christ at the age of 12 and was baptized at Shiloh Baptist Church in Dayton, Ohio. In 2006, he recommitted his life to Christ and was re-baptized at the Church of Christ. Though his spiritual journey evolved over the years, his faith and relationship with God remained deeply personal, strong, and sincere.

To know DeJuan was to love him. He was charismatic, authentic, funny, and deeply caring – a man who never met a stranger and had a gift for making others feel seen, valued, and loved. He poured wisdom, laughter, encouragement, and truth into everyone around him. He loved good food, great desserts, meaningful conversations, and genuine people, leaving a lasting impression everywhere he went.

Above all, DeJuan loved his family. His wife and five children were his greatest pride and deepest joy, and his greatest desire was to see each of them live lives filled with love, purpose, peace, and success.

His Loving Family

DeJuan leaves to cherish his memory his loving and devoted wife, Kia Adams Johnson; his beloved children, Royalty Johnson, Reality Johnson, Prophet Johnson, Clark Brunson III, and Xavier Brunson; his parents, Harold Johnson and Eva Browning; his parents-in-law, Tony and Suzanne Adams; his sister, Ashley Browning-Bottoms; his sister-in-law, Tiffany Adams; and his special sister, Shawn Rodgers (Paul).

DeJuan's Village of Mothers

DeJuan also carried deep love and gratitude for the village of mothers who prayed for him, guided him, covered him, encouraged him, and helped keep him grounded throughout his life: Annette Rice (who preceded him in death), Mary Bozeman, Linda Rodgers, Mattie Owens, and Cynthia Boyd. Their love became part of the way he moved through the world and loved others in return.

Aunts, Uncles & Cousins

His aunts, Karen Jetter, Sharon Young (Robert), Cassandra Johnson, and Lee Niata Johnson; his uncles, Frank Johnson, Rufus Knox, Tommie Tyler, Leroy Williams, and Timothy Tyler; and his beloved cousins, Shelley Clemons (his "Big Sister" favorite

cousin), Tom Sampson, Ryan Johnson, Lauren Johnson, Tara Jetter, Karen Jetter, Stan Johnson, Whitney Johnson, Ebony Johnson, Keisha Knox, Monee Jones, and Lisa Knox.

Nieces, Nephews & Great-Nieces/Nephews

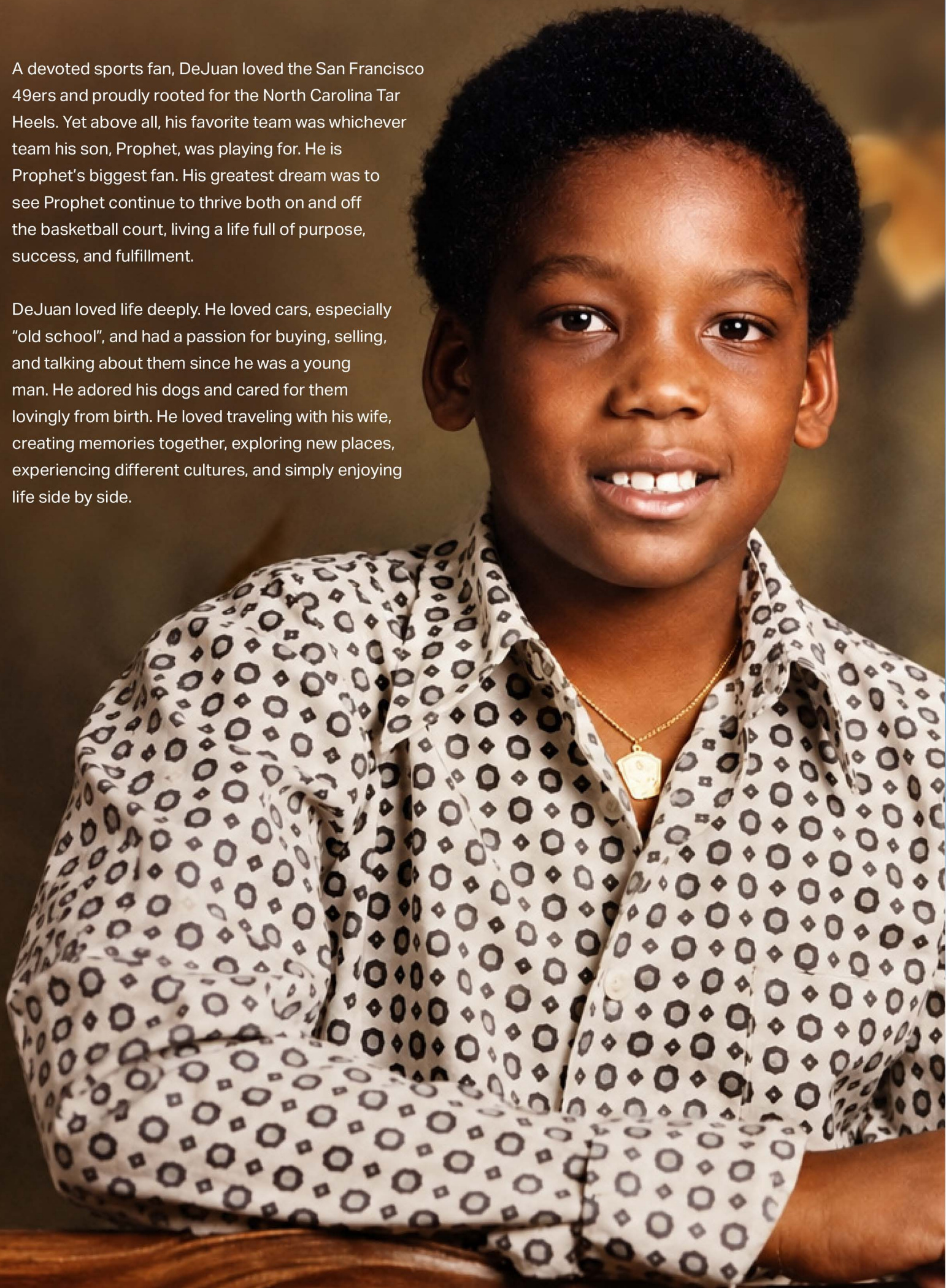
His loving nieces, Talaya Thomas, Dionna Rodgers, and Shanté Webster; his nephews, Dajour Baker and Justin Thomas; and his cherished great-niece and great-nephew, Khloe and Sage Thomas.

Friends Who Became Family

He also leaves behind lifelong friends who became family: Jerrell Horne and the entire Horne family; Marko Rice (Nicki) and the entire Rice family; Jamel Bozeman, Kemi Bozeman, Dashia Bozeman, Sonya Hill, Jamil Rountree, Leevan Russell, Jason Thomas, Andrea Mallory, Jason Woodfork, Garry Reid, Hufus Tatum, Dremel Tucker, Jeff Henderson, Allen Spears, Shawn McCullough, Korry Rice, Terry Malone, Kwame Boyd, Ray Shropshire, Kyle LeBlanc, John Cumming (April), Ryan Barnes, and Andrew Doyley, along with a host of extended family members, cousins, and lifelong friends whose lives were forever impacted by his love and presence.

A devoted sports fan, DeJuan loved the San Francisco 49ers and proudly rooted for the North Carolina Tar Heels. Yet above all, his favorite team was whichever team his son, Prophet, was playing for. He is Prophet's biggest fan. His greatest dream was to see Prophet continue to thrive both on and off the basketball court, living a life full of purpose, success, and fulfillment.

DeJuan loved life deeply. He loved cars, especially "old school", and had a passion for buying, selling, and talking about them since he was a young man. He adored his dogs and cared for them lovingly from birth. He loved traveling with his wife, creating memories together, exploring new places, experiencing different cultures, and simply enjoying life side by side.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional
Minister and Family

Parting View

Musical Selection
Tabernacle Mass Choir "Hallelujah"

Opening Remarks
Bishop Robert Lyons

Invocation
Bishop Robert Lyons

Scripture Reading
Minister

Musical Selection
Tamika Law

Acknowledgments
Mary Bruce

In Loving Memory of DeJuan
Shelley Clemons & Ryan Johnson

Reflections
Family and Friends

Musical Selection
Kenyatta Shaw

Eulogy
Minister Christopher D. Landrum

Musical Selection
Latasha Conway

Committal

Benediction

Recessional
Minister and Family



Preceded in Death

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Harry C. and Arvella Browning; his paternal grandparents, Frank Johnson and Evelyn Holt; his mother-in-law, Sherrie L. Tyler; his brother-in-law, Tristan Adams; his aunt, Cynthia Williams; his uncle, Stanley Johnson; and all loved ones who welcomed him into eternal peace.

Closing Tribute

Though our hearts ache in his absence, we celebrate the extraordinary life DeJuan lived. His legacy will continue through the countless lives he touched, the laughter he shared, the wisdom he gave, the love he poured into others, and the memories that will live on forever.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." **MATTHEW 25:23**

TO MY Love, MY Best friend

I find myself standing in the face of the unimaginable loss of you, and it's heartbreaking.

I think of your voice, laugh, and cry that will not be heard, your touch that will not be felt, and that beautiful smile that will not be seen.

My heart has an ache that is indescribable, yet at the same time, I have the greatest amount of joy in my heart too, for all that we've experienced.

I smile inside and outside, remembering our life together. A life that we love. Raising and supporting kids, traveling the world, spending time with family and friends, enjoying our fur babies, and creating lasting memories.

We shared a beautiful exchange of being both the teacher and the student. We filled each other's missing parts, and pushed one another to be our best selves.

You made me feel like the most beautiful, intelligent, strongest, wisest woman in the world, and you left nothing incomplete in me.

You gave me the very best of you! Even through the ups and downs, it has been the best time of my life, and I'd do it again and again!

I Love You beyond words and physical connection. We are locked in infinitely!

I give all the glory to God for blessing me to experience DeJuan Johnson as my adoring husband and best friend. I'm forever grateful!!!

