

To My Brave Dad In Heaven

If I could write a story, it would honor a man so strong and a kind father with a golden heart & mind. I could write volumes of all we shared, of how he loved me and how he cared. Still, one thing remains each day anew; I miss and love him, forever true. Though I'm hurting, I stand tall because he taught me to rise after every fall. And I know he's near when I look above

he'll always be my dad, my forever love.

-Love Always, your Sons

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern, prayers, and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

- The family of Rakeem Ahmed Blair



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Rakeem Ahmed Blair

January 8, 1992 - December 21, 2025

December 30, 2025

Visitation: 2:00 p.m.

Funeral Service: 3:00 p.m.

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2625 Gilbert Avenue

Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Craig Leslie, Officiating

Obituary

Rekeem Ahmed Blair Sr. was born on January 8, 1992, to the parents of Shalonda Blair and Jerry Brown in Springfield, Ohio. At the age of 5, Rakeem's mother relocated to Cincinnati. Rakeem, affectionately known as "Skeem" by family and friends, ascended into Heaven on December 21, 2025.

Growing up, Rakeem was inseparable from his sister/best friend Shakira. Together throughout their childhood, they were always enthusiastically participating in sports & swimming at various neighborhood community centers.

Rakeem attended Taft Elementary and Taft High School. School breaks, holidays, and summers were spent at Grandma Pat's. She always prepared meals and kept his favorite foods like Apple Butter Jelly, Cheesecake, and Lasagna on hand. During his time in Springfield, Rakeem dedicated his life to the Lord, was baptized at Greater Grace Temple, where he reconnected with his old brother Antjuan; who was an impactful mentor.

The many challenges in life made Rakeem focus on his goals. Personally, to be a man of God. Physically, to be fit and the best dad for his children and, Professionally earning his Industrial Contractors License from VoTech Institute in Ashland, Ky.

Skeem loved a great party, where he surrounded himself with Good Music and chosen family members. He produced his own rap songs; "I'm HIM for real" most well-known.

Rakeem was preceded in death by his grandmother, Patricia Blair.

He leaves to cherish his memories sons, Rakeem A. Blair Jr., Rashad A. Blair and Rae'marr Blakumsee; mother, Shalonda Blair; father, Jerry Brown; sister, Shakira Walker; brother, Antjuan (Whitney) Benson; nieces, Tianna, Kenedi, Kortne, Tahnayshia, and Jayden; Aunts, Carmen and Shug; Uncles, Avery (cousin Adriann), Falondo, and Larry (Tina). Also a HOST of Aunts, Uncles, and COUSINS.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude "The Best in Me"
-Marvin Sapp

Parting View The Family

Prayer

Scripture Romans 8:28

Recorded Selection "Til We Meet Again"
-Kirk Franklin

Acknowledgements

Remarks 2 Minute Please

Obituary Read Silently

Recorded Selection "The Storm is Over Now"
-Kirk Franklin

Eulogy Craig Leslie

Benediction Craig Leslie

Recessional "Take Me to the King"
-Tamela Mann

Honorary Pallbearers

Josh Sparks	Jarell Whitfield
Shawntez Lewis	Marco Alexander
Andre Barber Jr.	Troy Gover
Tyrique Gover	Polo Alexander
Ishmel	Marco
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