



The Day God Called You Home

In tears we saw you sinking,
And watched you pass away.
Our hearts were almost broken,
We wanted you to stay.
But when we saw you sleeping,
So peaceful, free from pain,
How could we wish you back with us,
To suffer that again.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home.



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Heaven's Littlest Angel

Baby Boy

Jovonni Dante Outland

Born into Love: January 21, 2024

Returned to Heaven: July 27, 2025

2:00 PM Saturday, August 16, 2025

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Pastor Murry Culberson, Officiating

Order of Service

Prelude
Musician

Processional
Family

Scripture Reading
Old & New Testament
Minister

Prayer
Minister

Selection

Acknowledgements & Obituary
Diamond Mims

Expressions
(Please Limit to 2 Minutes)
Family & Friends

Selection

Eulogy
Pastor Murry Culberson
Rose Hill Baptist Church

Committal, Benediction,
Recessional

Flower Bearers
Friends of the Family

Acknowledgement
The family appreciates the many kind expressions of love and concern extended to them during this time of bereavement.

Our Special Thanks!



Too Pure To Stay by Ron Tranmer

At the loss of a dear sweet child
words cannot explain,
how much the heart is broken,
or how awful is the pain.
"Why dost Thou take little ones?"
I asked as I knelt to pray.
I felt His spirit telling me:
"They are too pure to stay."
I had the warmest feeling
That my child is happy and waits,
until we are together again
past Heaven's golden gates.
Time will reunite us.
In not too many years.
In heavens place, we'll embrace
and joy will replace tears.



Baby Boy Jovonni Dante Outland

Baby Boy Jovonni Dante Outland was born January 21, 2024, in Saginaw, Michigan, to Mya Mims and DeJuan Outland. He passed away on Sunday, July 27, 2025, at the age of 18 months.

This was Jovonni's world; we just lived in it from the moment he woke up until he went to sleep. He was so full of energy and life. Whatever you were eating or drinking, he was too. Jovonni had the most infectious laugh that would brighten any room, and a smile that would just melt your heart. Even though we had him for a short while, his memories will live on forever.

Jovonni leaves to cherish his precious memory, his parents, Mya Mims and DeJuan Outland; grandparents: Crussandra (Victor) Ivy, Jermaine (Krystale) Massalene, DeJuan (Yoshi) Outland, Nikki Reginal; great-grandparents: Shelia (Charles) Hall, Oledean Outland, Willie (Betty) Reginal, and Helen Reginal; uncles: Joey Quincy Jr. Jermaine Massalene Jr., Jayson Massalene, Travis (Alicia) Reginal, Nicholes Reginal, and Yanylin Outland; great-uncles, Clarence Hatchett Jr., Christopher Hatchett, Correan Hatchett; aunts: Kiara Ammons, Jayla Quincy, and Jae Massalene; he also leaves his godmother, Terreonna Robinson.

Jovonni was preceded in death by his grandparents: Mary Ann Hatchett, Vera Wilborn, Juanita Parker, and James Masselene Jr; uncle, Floyd Mims Jr, great-grandfather, Floyd B. Mims Sr.; and cousins, Lakeisha Haris, DeQuan Mims, and Darrius Reginal.