

Fly High

His dreams were seldomly spoken,
Yet he reached every pivotal.

He was a man of great ambition
He was a man of great pride
His hands created my world
His voice gave me strength and peace
His presence is felt everyday
He has gained ultimate bliss
He was honored with both his wings!

Rest easy Daddy, we love you.

Love always,
Your chocolate drop

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 Delbert Gilliam Jr.



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

DELBERT



GILLIAM, JR.



MAY 29, 1966 — AUGUST 18, 2026

Obituary

“I am made by the grace & favor of the Lord God”

Delbert Gilliam Jr. was born May 29, 1966, in Winton Terrace, Ohio, to the loving union of Ruby Torrey Gilliam and Delbert Gilliam Sr. After a life filled with love and laughter, he was called home to be with the Lord on August 18, 2026, at the age of 60.

Delbert was affectionately known as “Lil Del” by family and friends. Delbert grew up in Winton Terrace and attended Walnut Hills High School due to his academic achievements. Shortly thereafter, he attended Woodward High School, where he graduated. He later decided to attend barber school.

Delbert was also known as one of the best general contractors in numerous cities and states. He was an entrepreneur who owned two businesses, “Gilliam Drywall & Remodeling” and “No Sleep Janitorial.” Delbert was also a natural-born hustler with an unparalleled work ethic. He was known to be a trendsetter who shined in his own light. Delbert was spontaneous, loving, strong-willed, and funny, as well as having the heart of a lion.

Lil Del enjoyed boxing, basketball, football, and fishing. He had a special love for music, especially reggae. Delbert would dance from sunup to sundown to all Bob Marley songs. One of his favorite songs was “Turn Your Lights Down Low.” He was a firm believer in, “If you put your mind to it, then you can do it.” Delbert didn’t allow hard times to stop him from being a great provider for his family.

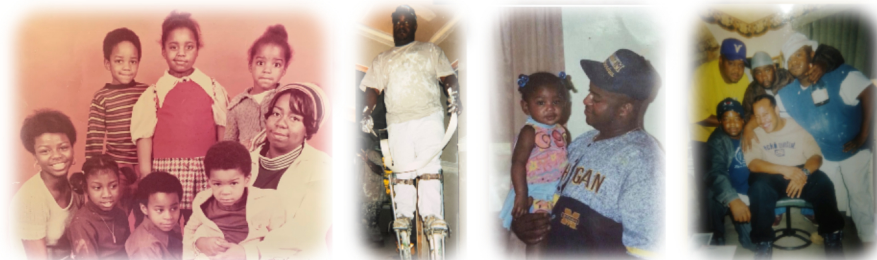
Delbert was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Ruby Torrey Gilliam; his father, Delbert Gilliam Sr.; his two sisters, Marcella Winslow and Freda Gilliam; and his brother, Daylin Gilliam.

Delbert also leaves behind four siblings: Theresa Torrey, Donte Gilliam, Stephanie Gilliam, and Delbert “Scooter” Gilliam.

Delbert leaves behind the love of his life, Sherena Michelle Gilliam; six children, Le’Sean Cunningham, Delisha Cunningham-Pullins, Demique Bowers, Dyanna Gilliam-Bowers, Generr Williams, and Ciera Bowers; daughter-in-law Ayshia Cunningham; and son-in-law Moses Pullins.

Delbert was a grandfather, affectionately known as “Paw Paw,” to 14 grandchildren.

Delbert also leaves behind his Aunt Marcella, who was like a second mother to him, as well as other aunts and uncles and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends who loved him tremendously.



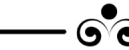
Funeral Service

Sunday, August 30, 2026

12:00 PM

Walker Funeral Home - Walnut Hills
2625 Gilbert Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Order of Service



Musical Prelude

Parting View

Prayer
(Min. Darnell Lee, Sr.)

Scripture
(Min. Darnell Lee, Sr.)

Praise Dance
(Darnasia McKinney)

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary-Read Silently

Eulogy
(Min. Darnell Lee, Sr.)

Benediction

Recessional



Family is not defined by blood alone, but by love, patience, and daily choice. You did not have to step into my life, but you did. You chose to care, to guide, and to love me as your own. Thank you for teaching me to stand firm, and though you are gone, the foundation of steady love and quiet strength you left behind will remain with me always.

I love you Daddy, rest easy. Ciera