

*Celebrating the Life and Spirit  
of*



*Pallbearers*

Sylvester Sims  
Antwan White

Keith Turner  
Durrell Turner

Jamico Turner

*Flower Bearers*

Ava

*Honorary Flower Bearers*

E'miya

*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 Sylvester Turner



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*Sylvester Turner*

August 21, 1962 - May 8, 2026

May 23, 2026

Visitation: 10:00 am

Funeral Service: 11:00 am

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2625 Gilbert Avenue

Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Pastor Todd O'Neil, Officiating

## Obituary

Sylvester Turner was born on August 21, 1962, to Sylvester Turner Sr. and Naomi Turner. He grew up in the West End area of downtown Cincinnati. He attended Herbert Elementary School, Bloom Junior High School, and Taft High School, where he earned his diploma and was a star athlete, participating in sports such as track and football. He also had a love for baseball and bowling.

He joined the Marines in 1980, where he spent the next four years serving his country. Shortly afterward, he met the love of his life, his late wife, Pauline Sims. They met in 1987 in downtown Cincinnati, where they would spend the next 34 years together raising 10 children – six boys and four girls.

Sylvester Turner, also known as “Maine” or “Slydog,” cherished his favorite titles most of all: “Pops” and “Pawpaw.” Sylvester was a hard worker who carried the weight of his responsibilities with quiet strength, never giving up even when the odds were against him. To know Sylvester was to love him. Always willing to lend a helping hand, he was known for his kindness, compassion, loyalty, and integrity. He was witty and had a great sense of humor. No matter how serious the situation was, Sylvester always found a way to make people laugh. His jokes were clever, his timing was perfect, and his smile could brighten even the darkest days. He could turn an ordinary conversation into a hilarious moment, and people loved being around him. Even when he teased others, he did so with kindness, and everyone knew he meant well.

He was a die-hard Bengals fan, faithfully cheering them on every Sunday, season after season – “Who Dey!!” He found just as much joy in cooking and sharing food with others, always experimenting in the kitchen and bringing people together over a good meal. He was the kind of person who showed his love through food, always making sure no one left his table hungry. Cooking was not just a hobby for him; it was one of the ways he showed his care and created lasting memories with family and friends.

He leaves behind his mother, Naomi Turner, and his 11 children: Travis, Miracle, Toshawn, Sylvester, Amika, Jamico, Nairah, Johnathan, Keith, Heaven, and Samone. He also leaves behind his grandchildren: Karma, Jamico, Téirah, E'miya, Ja'myla, TeAna, Ava, Yahari, Yahmina, Ja'mere, Jah'faye, Ja'Corey, Zahra, Te'lah, Jenesis, Ethan, Josiah, Zora, and Jiraiya.

He also leaves behind his siblings: Keith, Darlene, Evelyn, Kim, and Anthony; his brothers- and sisters-in-law: Jackie, James, Erich, and Keith; and his nieces and nephews: Brandon, Courtney, Valen, Tiffany, Erica, Durell, Isaiah, Jasmine, Erich Jr., Nieka, Antrice, Antjuan, Antonio, and a host of great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Sylvester Turner Sr.; his wife, Pauline Sims; his daughter, Samira Le'Cream Turner; and his son, Robert Deshawn Sims.

## Order of Service

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Musical Prelude .....	
Parting View .....	Immediate Family
Prayer .....	Pastor Todd O'Neil
United States Marines Honor Guards .....	
Scripture .....	Nay
Selection .....	Pastor Todd O'Neil
Acknowledgements .....	Johnny
Remarks .....	2 Minutes Please
Obituary .....	Read Silently
Selection .....	Pastor Todd O'Neil
Eulogy .....	Amika
Benediction .....	Pastor Todd O'Neil
Recessional .....	Clergy, Family & Friends



## Repast

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## 2 Timothy 4:7-8

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."