



Active Pallbearers
Ball State University Teammates

Honorary Pallbearers:
Lowndes County High School Teammates

Active Floral Attendants
Family and Friends

Repast
Old West Florida Enrichment Center
Fellowship Hall

Interment
Monday, June 15, 2026 at 12:00pm
Tallahassee National Cemetery

The Family's Message of Gratitude

We, The Family of Gavin Yates-Lyons, wishes to express our heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation to everyone who has shown love, support, prayers, and kindness during this difficult time. We extend special thanks to Life Quest Organ Recovery Services, Vogter Neuro ICU, The Big Bend Hospice family, the entire Tallahassee Memorial Hospital family, and the Cardiac Vascular Medical Surgical ICU, Ms. Tawanna Woods, Mr. & Mrs. Nelson, Dietra Crumity, the entire staff at Sabrina's Auto Sales, and Mary's Soul food. We are also grateful to Ball State University, 850 Kings, Lowndes County High School, and the many students, faculty, coaches, teammates, friends, and supporters from numerous schools and communities whose expressions of love and encouragement have been a tremendous source of strength and comfort.

To every individual who offered a prayer, sent a message, made a call, visited, prepared a meal, or simply stood beside us in support, please know that your kindness will never be forgotten.



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"D1 GAV"

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Gavin
YATES-LYONS

KICKOFF
04:30:08

TOUCH DOWN
05:25:26

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026 | 3:00PM
OLD WEST FLORIDA ENRICHMENT CENTER
2344 LAKE BRADFORD RD, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32310

Rev. Garrett Grubbs, Eulogist
Dr. Roshanda Harts, Presiding

Gavin began his educational journey at Gilchrist Elementary School. He later attended John Paul II Catholic High School and Lincoln High School in Tallahassee before graduating from Lowndes High School in Valdosta, Georgia, where he was a standout member of the Vikings Football Team. Following graduation, Gavin continued both his academic and athletic pursuits at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, where he excelled as a student and football player.

Gavin was not only gifted in athletics, but he also possessed a deep faith and unwavering commitment to his Lord and Savior from an early age. At the age of four, he became a member of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, where he faithfully served as a Junior Usher. Later in life, he attended St. Peter's Anglican Cathedral in Tallahassee and Crossroads Baptist Church in Valdosta, Georgia.



He also leaves to cherish his memory many special friends whom he loved like siblings: Tobi Adewayin, Jonathan "Rod" Aikins, Bubba Brown, Breana Carter, Ace Cooper, Kam Campbell, Maliek Denmark, Vern Faulk, Gavin Ford, Donovan Hamilton, Tremaine Hughes, Jayce Johnson, Braneisha Livingston, Cambree Lucas, Stone Perkins, Travis Phelps, Jessica Rodriguez, Stu Smith, Shay Soto, Derrick Thompson, Jr., Camen Upshaw, Zion Walker, Jerrell Washington, Jordyn White, Khalil Williams, Nari Williams, Mason Wood, and Raylen Wilson.

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Prelude

HOLY SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Scripture.....	Rev. Larry Williams
New Testament Scripture.....	Pastor Greg Powell

Solo.....Sister Ashley Hall

As I Knew Him- Spiritually & Socially



As A Christian.....	Student Pastor Hunter Boyles
As A Member.....	Sister Gloria Robinson
As A Jr. Usher.....	Deaconess Barbara McDonald
As A Friend & Brother.....	Tremaine Hughes, Jr. & Jonathan Akins
As A Neighbor.....	Mr. Jack Lynch
As A Best Friend.....	Breana Carter
As A God-Child.....	Elders James & Dr. Alisha Bradley-Nelson

Solo.....Rev Dr. Issac Manning, Jr.

As I Knew Him—Academically and Athletically

As A Student, Headstart.....	Evangelist Alice Cox
As A Student, Gilchrist Elementary.....	Mrs. Betsy McKnight & Mrs. Victoria Bradshaw
As A Student, Cobb Middle School.....	Coach Robert O'Banner
As An Athlete, Lincoln High School.....	Coach Derrick Thompson Coach Brandon Youmans
As An Athlete, St. John Paul II & 850 Kings...	Coach Tremaine Hughes, Sr.
As An Athlete, Lowndes County H.S.....	Coach Adams Carter
As An Athlete, Ball State University.....	Coach Ray Smith & Coach Mike Uremovich

Solo....."Greatest Love of All"Sister Tanya Thomas

Resolutions and Acknowledgments.....Tillman Funeral Home Staff
Selection.....Tillman Chorale
Eulogy.....Dr. Garrett Grubbs,
Crossroads Baptist Church, Valdosta, GA

The Closing of the Casket

Recessional