

Poem by Son D Juan Terry

*When I fell Down
My dad was there to pick me up*

*When I was unable to speak
My dad spoke for me*

*When I was not big enough to bathe myself
My dad took care of bathing me*

*When I was too young to feed myself
My dad helped feed me*

*When you fell down
I was there to stand up for you*

*When you could not speak
I spoke for you*

*When you were unable to bathe yourself
I was there to help bathe you*

*When you could not eat
I was there to bring you nourishment*

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of DeWayne Mario LiGans wishes to acknowledge our deepest appreciation for the many expressions of love, care, and kindness shown during our time of bereavement. We thank everyone who said a prayer, sent flowers, cards stopped by to visit, or made a phone call. May God continue to bless you all.



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MEMORY FOR

DeWayne
LIGANS

NOVEMBER 5, 1963 — JUNE 21, 2025

Wednesday, July 9, 2025 - 2:00pm

The Chapel Of Peace, East

5456 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus, OH 43232

Obituary

DeWayne Mario Ligans, a beloved father, devoted family man, and proud Marine, passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones. He was a source of strength, humor, and unwavering love to all who knew him. He is preceded in death by his Grandparents; James & Pearl Bowles, Robert LiGans & Pearl Johnson. Parent; Robert Dean Bowles. He's survived by his Mother; Barabara Bowles, Sisters; Scheriee Bowles & Dawn-Ray Speights, Brothers; Brian Bowles & Juan Bowles, in Columbus, Ohio.

He is also preceded in death by Anita R. LiGans & Va'Quez LiGans (Grandson) & Shawn Thompson (Cousin).

Born and raised in Columbus, Ohio, DeWayne graduated from Mifflin High School in 1982, where he was known for his bright spirit and athletic talent. He was a standout basketball player for the Mifflin Cow Punchers, wearing his jersey with pride and determination.

DeWayne proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps, where he developed the discipline, courage, and honor that would carry through every aspect of his life. After his military service, he returned home and built a strong career at 7UP, dedicating over 15 years of loyal service.

But above all, DeWayne's greatest pride and joy was his family. A loving father, he poured his heart into raising his children, Geneava LiGans, DeWayne LiGans Jr., Amber LiGans, Asia LiGans, DJuan Terry, always putting them first and guiding them with wisdom and kindness. His deep love for his family extended far beyond his immediate circle—he was an uncle, a brother, and a friend who showed up for others with consistency and care.

Later in life, DeWayne made a profound commitment of faith and was baptized, a decision that brought him great peace and purpose. His faith, much like his character, was quiet but powerful—rooted in love, humility, and resilience.

DeWayne will be remembered for his infectious laugh, gentle heart, and the pride he took in every role he played—from Marine to father, athlete to mentor. His legacy lives on in the lives he touched and the memories he leaves behind.

He is deeply loved and will be forever missed.

Order Of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE

Anthony Hamilton, Pass Me Over

PARTING VIEW

Immediate Family

SCRIPTURE READING

*Pastor Brian Hall
Old Testament & New Testament*

PRAYER

Pastor Brian Hall

SELECTION

Anthony Q, Still Here

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/CONDOLENCES

Clergy

REMARKS

Family and Friends (2 minutes please)

READING OF OBITUARY

Pastor Brian Hall

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THE EULOGY

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