CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Following this service, we will gather to celebrate JaJuan's memory. Please join us for refreshments, music, and an opportunity to share your favorite memories of JaJuan.

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THANK YOU

The family of JaJuan would like to thank you for the love and prayers. Words cannot express the deep gratitude we feel. Your support has strengthened us and your kindness is cherished.

Celebrating the Life of

JaJuan Keas

August 23, 1982 - January 26, 2026

Obituary

JaJuan Dominique Keas was born on August 23, 1982, in Detroit, Michigan, bringing infinite joy to his parents and his entire family. From an early age, JaJuan's vibrant and mischievous personality was impossible to miss. While attending private school in Detroit, his humor, charm, and larger-than-life presence quickly made him the center of every room. He was truly the life of the party.

In 1994, JaJuan's family relocated to East Lansing, Michigan, where JaJuan continued his education in the East Lansing Public School District. He graduated from East Lansing High School in 2000, leaving behind countless friendships built on his infectious personality and genuine love for people. JaJuan was deeply loved by many, and he gave that love freely in return.

In 2004, JaJuan became a devoted father to his first daughter, Jada Dominique Keas, followed by the births of Janae Dariana Keas in 2006 and Adrienne Jennifer Keas in 2011. His daughters were the light of his life, and his love for them was unwavering and profound. He cherished every moment with them and dreamed of spending even more time together.

Family meant everything to JaJuan. He shared a particularly close bond with his first cousins, who were raised alongside him and his sisters like siblings. Those relationships remained a constant source of joy and connection throughout his life.

FOR OUR DAD

Some lives don't need decades to leave their mark. For some lives, it only takes a smile to brighten up the world —and our father was one of them.

And the joy that he brought was contagious. He gave a piece of love to everyone around him, and it was always enough love to stick around forever.

Physically, we expected more time.
more birthdays,
more trips,
more days at the park,
more ordinary moments turned extraordinary just because he was there.

but even in the short time we had,
he taught us that joy doesn't need permission, and love doesn't need time to be real.

Although his story wasn't long
it was full;
full of connection,
full of moments that mattered.

We ache for what was lost
but we are forever
grateful for what we had.

He was here
and that will always
be enough to remember.

Love,
Jada, Janae, and Adrienne

TO OUR BROTHER

We miss you so much. We never imagined we would be here writing these words or grieving your loss so suddenly. We find comfort in the time we shared from childhood to adulthood, and in witnessing how you made ordinary moments feel special. You showed us what it means to love fiercely and without hesitation.

We are deeply proud of how you lived your life, and of the strength and grace you showed in facing its final challenges. It was an honor to be with you during those final days and we hope we were able to offer you comfort and solace.

We'll never forget your infectious laugh, how you could light up any room you entered, your love for music, and your genius storytelling. Your influence will forever live in us. We see you in the girls' smiles, in our memories and the love that will never leave us. You are our hero.

Until we meet again,
Tanisha and Autumn

JaJuan had a deep passion for music and loved attending concerts by his favorite artists. This love is symbolized by his "36 Keas" tattoo, a lasting expression of how music shaped and inspired his life. Even until the very end, JaJuan remained hopeful and optimistic, always looking forward to what was next and holding tightly to his dreams.

JaJuan was baptized on February 19, 1995, at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church in Lansing, MI. He rededicated his life to Christ with his daughter Jada on November 2, 2014, at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Lansing, MI. He attended church with his mother and daughters until his illness prevented him from doing so.

JaJuan will be remembered for his laughter, his warmth, his unwavering love for his daughters, and the way he made everyone feel seen and valued. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

JaJuan transitioned peacefully on January 26, 2026, surrounded by his daughters and his family. JaJuan leaves to cherish his memory his parents, Jennifer Keas Watson and Fred Watson; his daughters, Jada, Janae, and Adrienne Keas; his sisters, Tanisha (Stephen) Black and Autumn (Gerald) Render; his nieces, Morgan Black and Samantha Black; his nephews, Melvin Bender and Nasir Render; along with a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends who will forever hold him close in their hearts.

He will be loved and cherished always.

Order of Service

Opening Prayer

Reverend Reggie Huff

Scripture Reading

Minister Marsha Page

Musical Selection

Dominique Houston

Remarks

Daughters Jada, Janae, and Adrienne

Cousins Stanford, Kellee, Courtney, Jamillah, Jordana, Kija, Jazlyn

Aunts Angelita, Sabrina, Muriel, Debbie

Uncle Albert, Willie, James, and Dennis

Friend Rahson Butler

Friends Marshall. Antonio, and Terrell

Reading of the Obituary

Linda Huff

Acknowledgement of Cards

Linda Huff

Musical Selection

Nicole Ellison

Scripture Reading

Marquita Jackson

Eulogy

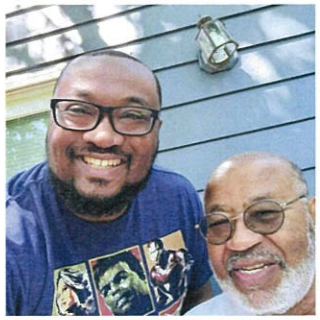
Reverend Reggie Huff

Recessional

TO OUR SON

You entered this world ready for adventure. You were a few hours old, and the nurse turned you over and put you on your stomach. You immediately lifted your head trying to explore the world. At 6 months old, you were eager to talk, calling your sister Tanisha, by the name Eisha. By age 1, you built quite a vocabulary and began forming sentences. As you got older you were an avid storyteller, usually with your own embellishments that kept us laughing.

We are heartbroken that you will not be with us. You brought so much laughter and love to our family. We are going to miss going to church on Sunday, coming over to watch Michigan football games, holidays, and our TV shows we watched.

We love you dearly. We will miss you with a love that never ends. You are no longer with us, but you will always be in our hearts. Your absence is felt in every breath, every moment, and every memory. We thank God for the 43 years we had you.

Love,
Mom and Dad