

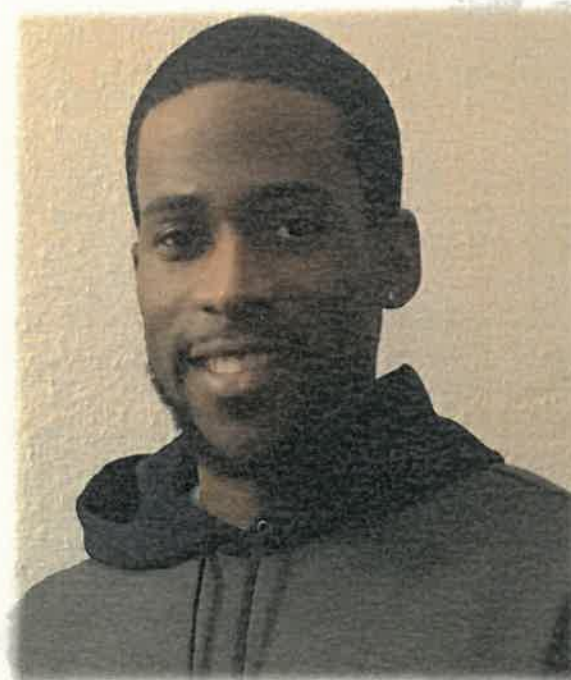
## Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

Keep us in your prayers. May God Bless and Keep You.



## In Loving Memory



## Ny'Cole LaShawne Griffin

*Sunrise*

April 12, 1992

*Sunset*

April 24, 2022

## Homegoing Celebration

Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 11:00 AM

Albina Christian Center

2149 N. Willamette Blvd.

Portland, Oregon 97217

Bishop Marcus Irving, Officiant

To leave the family personal messages of condolence, please visit Ny'Cole's online webpage guestbook at [www.terryfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.terryfamilyfuneralhome.com)  
Arrangements Entrusted To: Terry Family Funeral Home

Ny'Cole LaShawne Griffin, known to his family as "Pooter" or "Grand Homie" (as his PawPaw, Nate, lovingly called him), was born April 12, 1992 to Natchole (Nikki) Griffin-Ware and Phinazee Elliott Jr. in Portland, Oregon. Much like the delivery room, filled with fifteen people on the day of his birth - he was surrounded by the love of his family his entire life.

Ny'Cole attended Benson Polytechnic High School where he was a star athlete in both football and track. As an adult, he began making his mark in the local rap scene with his single debut, 'The Mud'.

His athletic journey started at the young age of 8 years old when he, to his mom's surprise, had signed himself up to run track. He had been gifted with speed since he was a little boy running around on his tippy toes. His speed later landed him in the end zone of the football field. Ny'Cole ran the 100 and 200-meter dash and was the last leg of the 4 by 100 relay. As he continued his track journey, Ny would place first in the 2004 USATA National Junior Olympics 200 meter dash, timing in at 24.87 seconds. Improving on his own record, he went on to place first in the 2008 Oregon OSAA Outdoor State Championships 200 meter dash, timing in at 21.79 while at Benson.

Ny'Cole also ran for the Inner-City Steppers, and as an independent athlete. He had a way of making his competition think they were winning the race, and before they knew it, he would be passing them, taking first place.

Ny'Cole enjoyed spending time with his family and close friends. He was the life of the party with his witty sense of humor, contagious laugh, and spark of energy that lit up a room when he walked in. Ny'Cole's smile was illuminating, matching his personality, friendly demeanor, and welcoming spirit.

Ny'Cole felt confident when his dad, Zeke, came into his mom and his brothers' lives. He knew that they would be taken care of. Ny'Cole cherished his relationship with his mom, who reminded him that he was the "Original Cole". Ny'Cole, Zekial, and his three maternal brothers, of whom he was the eldest, had an unbreakable bond that everyone around them could witness. Ny'Cole also had a special bond with his sisters, nieces, and nephews. He made it his mission to visit them every week, bringing them laughter and love. Above all, he loved God and knew how to pray the word.

He was preceded in death by his grandma, Brenda "BP" Portis; grandpa, Nathaniel Griffin Jr.; and cousins, Emanuel Mosley Sr., and Terry Elliott Jr.

He is survived by his mom and dad, Natchole Griffin-Ware and Zekial Ware; father, Phinazee Elliott Jr (Theresa); grandparents, Grandma Leslie Griffin, Grandma Katie Ware, and Grandma Carolyn Elliott; siblings, Ivery 'Tre' Griffin, Travis West, Khamron Griffin, Elijah Ware, Phinazee Brian Elliott, Phinizea (Alonzo) Chadwick, RoMario Elliott, Ashley (Darion) Smalley, Devantae (Taylor) Elliott, Elijah Elliott, Aminah Elliott, Shayla West, and Nyausha West; nieces and nephews, Nasir, Major, Terry, Zae'Lyn, Zamirah, Zuri, Alonzo Jr., Jesiri, December, Derion, Xavier, Julian, Alanna, Red, Irie, Aden, Tyler, and Cadence Griffin; Grandma Carolyn, Grandma Evelyn; goddaughter, Arlaya Bradford; Godparents, Suzanne and Nathaniel Griffin III; first cousins and siblings-in-love, LaQue & Ericka Thompson, and Malique & Silas Griffin; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Ny'Cole will be greatly missed.

## Order of Service

Processional	Clergy & Family
Opening Prayer	Elder Donald Foster, Sr
Scripture Reading	Teri Bowles-Atherton
Praise Medley	Sharetta Yates
Words of Encouragement for the Family	Pastor Percy J. Mullen, Sr
Obituary Reading	Kimberly Griffin-Sanders
Acknowledgement of Cards	Bryana Mullen
Praise Dance	Ericka Thompson
Words of Expression	(2 Minutes Please) Family & Friends
Video Presentation	
Musical Selection	Alonzo Chadwick & Daughters
Eulogy	Pastor Aniel Yates
Final Viewing	

## Interment

Please join the family immediately following the service  
in a formal procession with motorcycle escorts to

### *River View Cemetery*

300 S. Taylors Ferry Road, Portland, Oregon 97219

### *Pallbearers*

Idris Tolton	Elijah Thompson
Reggie Watkins	Robert Watkins
Elijah Elliott	Ashley Smalley
	Oshay Qualls

### *Honorary Pallbearers*

Zekial Ware	Nate Griffin III	Lolita Moore
Anthony Minniweather, Sr.	Percy J. Mullen, Sr.	
	Malique Griffin	