

Active Pallbearers

Gadsden City High School Teammates and Coaches

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Gadsden City High School Class of 2009

Expression of Thanks

The family of David Alvin Maness expresses with great sincerity it's appreciation for all the acts of sympathy and love shown by friends and family during this time of sorrow.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

Precious Memories



David Alvin
MANESS

Sunrise
July 15, 1991

Sunset
June 4, 2024

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024
2:00 PM

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church
2103 East Broad Street
Gadsden, AL 35903

Pastor Larry G. Weathers, Officiating



Precious Memories



Obituary

David Alvin Maness was born on July 15, 1991, to the Devon and Sharon Maness. He departed this earthly life on June 4, 2024.

David accepted Christ at a young age and was a member of Antioch Baptist Church under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Larry G. Weathers.

David graduated from Gadsden City High School in 2009. David loved football, he loved being a part of the Titan Football Team and Jacksonville State University Gamecocks.

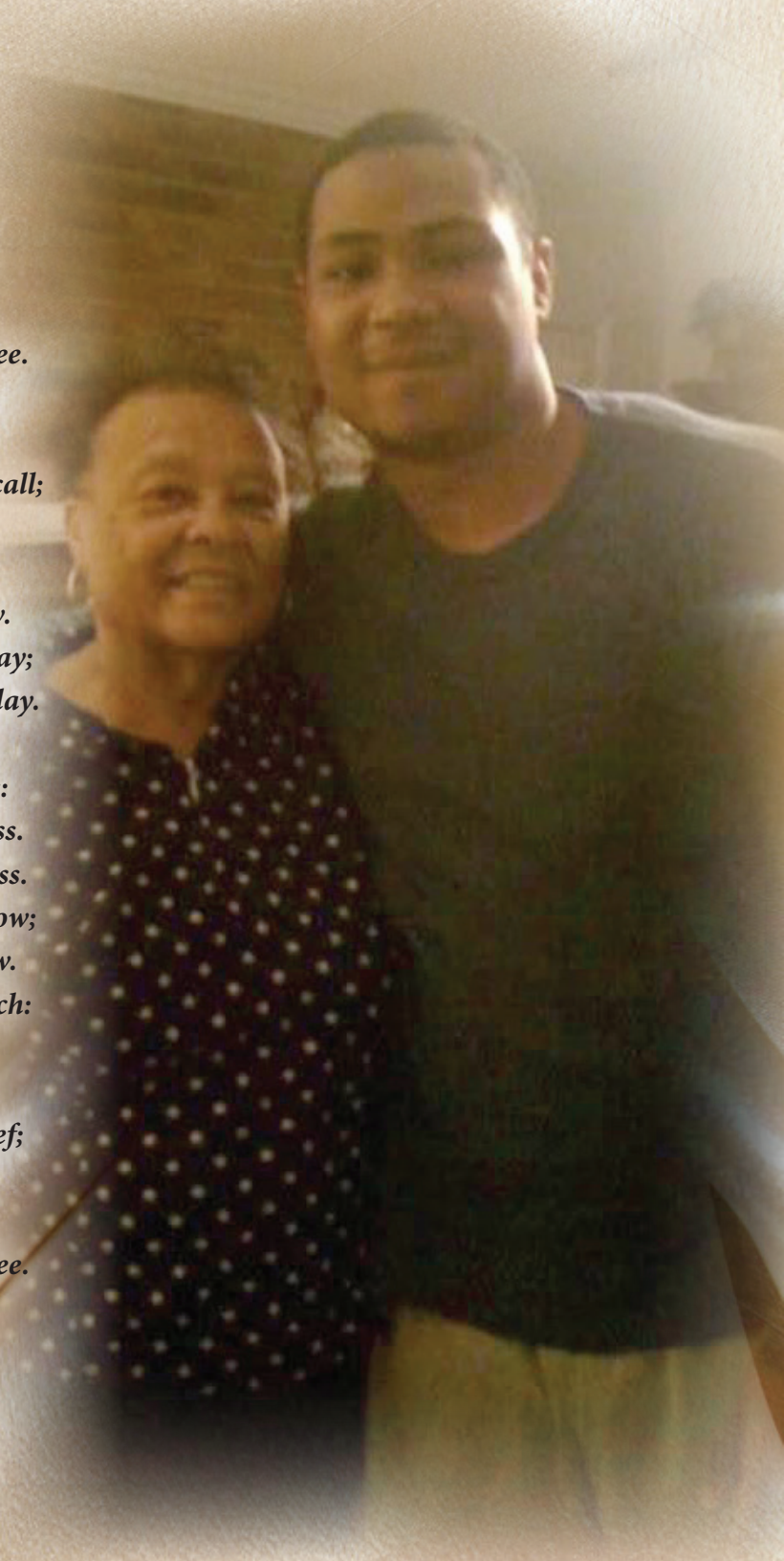
He loved coaching at Emma Sansom and Gadsden Middle School. David loved Gadsden City Schools, the coaches, his teammates and friends. Most of all, David loved the Lord. We had many talks about the Bible. He cherished his nightly calls and Bible verses from his grandmother, Essie. He loved to hear her call him her Ace.

David was preceded in death by his grandparents, Alvin Bryant, Sr., David and Catherine Maness; uncle, Robert Maness; best friend, Tommy Johnson, Jr. "TJ".

He will forever be cherished by his parents, Devon and Sharon Maness; sister, Devone Cheri Maness; niece, Zaniya; grandmother, Essie C. Bryant of Augusta, GA; aunts, Sandra Lee of Mableton, GA, Brenda Bryant of Douglasville, GA, Dovey Lusk of Cleveland, OH, Carmen (Darryl) Thompson of Cleveland, OH, Winnie (Melvin) Ware of Shreveport, LA; uncles, Alvin (Linda) Bryant, Jr. of Austell, GA, Andy (Priscilla) Bryant of Powder Springs, GA; a host of cousins and other family members; Special God-parents, George and Donna Smoots of Gadsden, AL, Tommy Johnson of Jackson, MS and friends.

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path
God has chosen for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call;
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I've now found peace at the end of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys:
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.
Oh, yes, these things I, too, will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
Look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life has been full; I savored much:
Good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seems all too brief;
Don't lengthen your pain
with undue grief.
Lift up your heart, and peace to thee.
God wanted me now—
He has set me free.*



The Chiming of the Hour

FOR
MR. DAVID ALVIN MANESS

Processional

Selection..... “Safe In His Arms” - Choir

Scriptures

Old Testament Bishop Al Morgan - Launch Ministries, Rocky Mt, NC

New Testament Pastor Steve Smith - New Destiny

Prayer..... Asst. Pastor Nathaniel Washington - Friendship Baptist Church

Selection..... Choir

Acknowledgements..... Miranda Reeds

Reflections Coach Joe Billingsley, Gadsden City High School

Ali Smith, Gadsden City High School

Sean Watson

Cousin

Solo Marilyn Rowe

Words of Comfort Overseer Jason Smoot

Eulogy Pastor Larry G. Weathers

Solo Benita Harrell Jemison

Renita Harrell Davis

Recessional



To My Son

*Didn't never think that the day would come
And, Lord knows I never wanted to bury my son.
Visions of you, they stay in my head
I wish it were me and not you who has gone ahead.
David, I miss you.*

LOVE DAD

My Baby Brother

My Baby Brother was born just as sweet as can be,

My Baby Brother was ANGEL to me.

My Baby Brother smiled like the sun shines on a sunny day, you see,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

My Baby Brother made me laugh with every joke he told, because,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

My Baby Brother was just as silly as can be,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

My Baby Brother had a heart of gold, that's why

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

My Baby Brother stole my heart the day he was born, because,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

My Baby Brother broke my heart when he died,

My Baby brother was an ANGEL to me.

My Soul hurts to the core, why can't you see,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

God of Lazarus, Abraham, and Isaac, please open your eyes,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me

You promised no more than I could bear, did you lie to me?

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

Continuously, pleading, and praying to be

awakened from this nightmare.

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

For the whole world sees and the whole world knows,

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

I trust your plan, but God why don't you understand?

My Baby brother was an ANGEL to me.

He already had his wings, why didn't you know?

My brother was an ANGEL to me.

It's not too late, please change your plans!

My Baby Brother was an ANGEL to me.

Just Please! Please! Please return my ANGEL to me!

Because My Baby Brother Was An ANGEL To Me.

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To My Son

David, my sweet and loving son.

*The moment your heart stopped,
mine changed forever.*

*I loved you your whole life and
I'll miss you for the rest of mine.*

*Son, our hearts still ache with
sadness and tears still flow.*

*What it means to lose you,
no one will ever know.*

You were a gift from God.

One of the greatest gifts given.

*The gift of my dear son. Thank
you for his life Dear Lord.*

*"Death leaves a heartache
no one can heal,*

*Love leaves a memory
no one can steal."*

You are and always

will be my Baby.

LOVE MOM

