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The family of Delvin Tarver acknowledges your expressions of love, sincere acts of kindness, and support during this difficult time. May peace of God and His blessings flow upon you.

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## NOVEMBER 1, 2005 - MAY 4, 2024

Wednesday, May 15, 2024 | 11:00 AM

#### On May 4, 2024, DELUIN LEANDARRIAN TARVER, a distinguished honor student

and athlete was tragically taken from his family, loved ones, teammates and friends. His untimely passing has left an immeasurable void in the lives of all those that he touched. Delvin was born on November 1, 2005, to Cynthia Quinn and Derrick Tarver. He was raised in Auburn, Alabama. As a child, he enjoyed spending time with family as well as playing sports and video games. Delvin and his older brother DJ shared an exceptionally close bond. DJ was Delvin's best friend and closest confidant. The two were nearly inseparable. His mother's side of the family affectionately referred to them as "the blue boys" and it became a beloved inside joke that acknowledged the brothers' unbreakable bond.

When it came to interacting with his friends and classmates, Delvin possessed a big heart and was kind and compassionate towards everyone he encountered. Without a doubt, he was a smart and loving person, with a big smile who had the ability to bring out the best in others.Delvin confessed Christ at a young age and growing up, he was involved in many different activities and programs, including playing baseball and football for Auburn Parks and Recreation. At the age of 12, Delvin was recognized with the prestigious honor of being a class ambassador. This esteemed recognition spoke volumes about his ability to be a positive influence on his peers and others at his school.

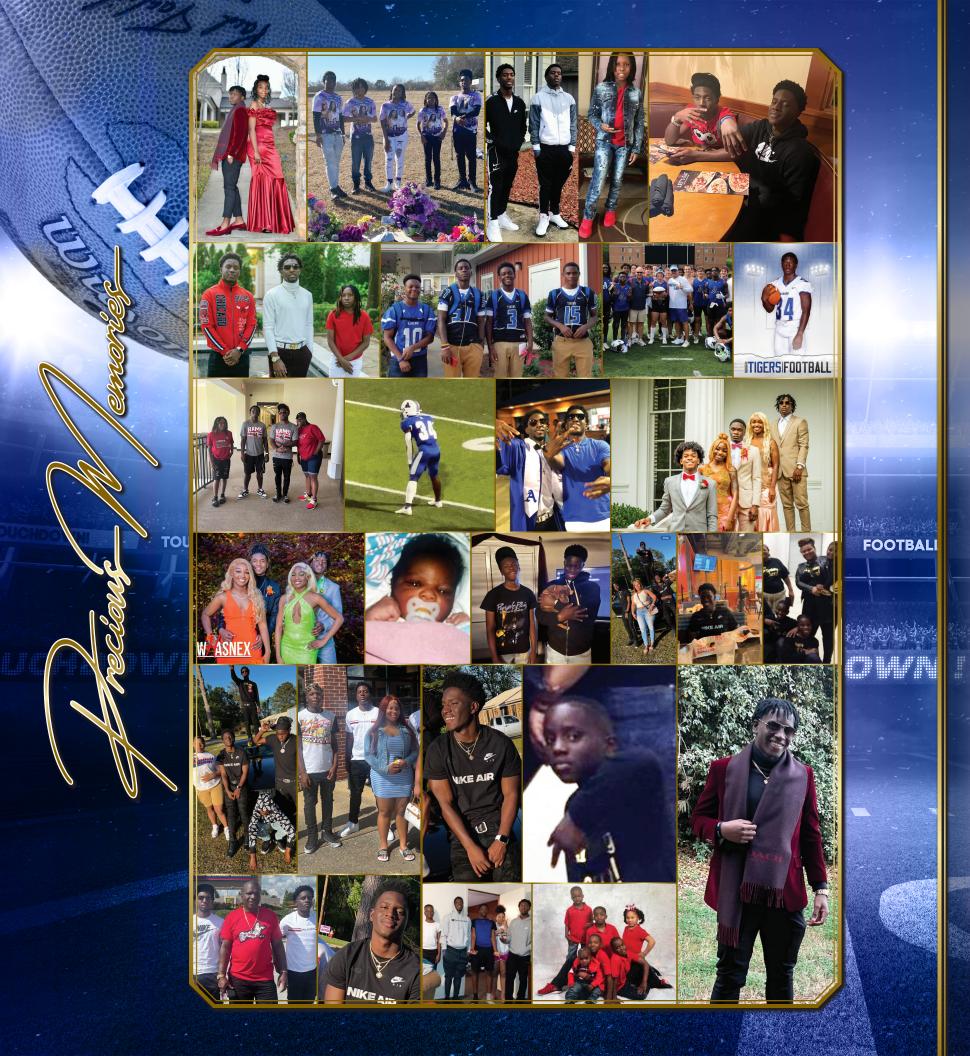
Out of all the activities that he was involved in, he was most passionate about football. He played in both middle school and high school, and was a linebacker (#34) for Aubūrn High School, who was labeled on the NFL Draft Diamonds website as a star athlete. Not only was Delvin recognized as an excellent athlete, but he was also a remarkable student throughout elementary school, middle school, and high school. His outstanding achievements in the classroom led him to become a member of the National Honor Society. Delvin was also a very well-mannered young man, and a caring, energetic person who developed a sense of responsibility and sportsmanship. He was expected to walk across the Auburn High School graduation stage on May 17, 2024.

As we reflect on the remarkable life of Delvin Tarver, let us be reminded of the power of one individual to create positive change through selfless dedication, and may his spirit continue to live through all of us. May his memory always serve as a guiding light, encouraging us to strive to be the best friends, family members, scholars, teammates, and servant leaders that we can all possibly be.

He was preceded in death by his loving sister Faith Quinn, uncle Richard Fields, maternal grandfather James Battle, and aunt Kara Allen.

Memories of his life will be left in the hearts of those who remain: mother, Cynthia Quinn; father, Derrick (Marie) Tarver; maternal grandmother, Malinda Fields; paternal grandmother, Elizabeth Taylor; paternal grandfather, Jerry (Vernester) Tarver; aunts, Taisha Calhoun, Senedtra Cowan, Quita Henderson, Michelle Fields, Cassandra Fields, Marshaneil Fields, Melissa Fields, Evonne Fields, Bernice Battle, Debra Battle, Latonya Tarver, Arnika Turner, Lashonne Tarver, Vonne Tarver, and Kawanda Turner; uncles, Channing Fields, Christopher Fields, Kenneth Fields, Calvin Battle, James Battle, Jr., and Jerry Tarver Jr.; siblings, Derrick Tarver, Jr., Davin Quinn, Kaderin Tarver, Kalyn Tarver, Logan Tarver, and Kelis Edwards; a special cousin, Jahiyah Allen; close friends, Jaylen Griffin, Lavertis Purter, Kody Griffin; and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family, friends and teammates.









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#### PROCESSIONAL Family

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Reverend Dr. Ko'derris Cowan, Sr.

Old Testament New Testament

PRAYER Apostle Jeffrey Harvey, Sr.

> SOLO Paul Nickelson

### WORDS OF EXPRESSION

Trevien Fletcher, Class of 2024 Coach Chris Jackson, 7th Grade Football Coach Ethan Freeman, AHS

#### OBITUARY READING

SOLO Sylvester McPherson

EULOGY **Reverend Adrian Taylor** 

## RECESSIONAL

As kids we played together. We fought, we laughed, we cried. We did not always show the love that we had inside. We shared our dreams and plans, and some secrets too. All the memories we share is what bonds us now to you. We grew to find we have a love that is very strong today. It's a love shared by your brothers that will never fade away. You are our brother not by choice, but by the nature of our birth. We could not have chosen a better one, for you are the best on earth.

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Oh, how we love this precious thing called life! From the fun memories made, to the trials and tribulations endured, no matter the hardships, life should be taken with grace. TOUCH

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While maneuvering throughout this beautiful world, you're destined to meet people that you'll leave marks on and enter rooms where your presence will forever stand. Your physical being will be missed surely enough but your spirit will remain strong.

"In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind." For your smile could light up a room and your choice of words would be day makers. To live is to make memories and reach goals not only set by yourself, but also by the most high. To live is to also do countless acts of kindness with love.

To be gone, but never forgotten is to be gone, but here in spirit. Make the best of this precious thing called life, although it never really ends.