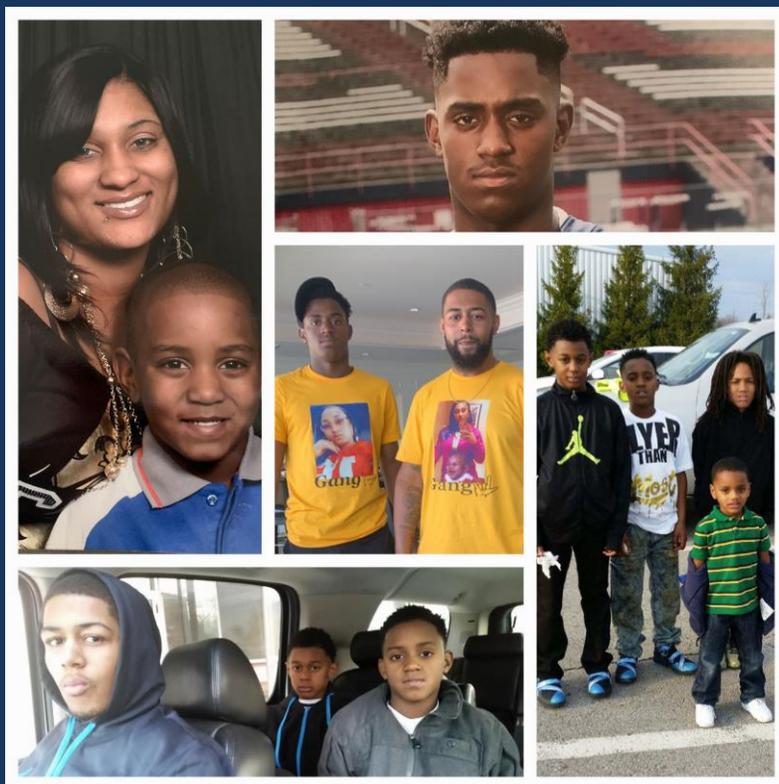


## Words of Appreciation From The Underwood Family

The Underwood Family wishes to thank the community for the intentional acts of love & outpouring of kindness which has been extended during this time. The family has been sustained by the compassionate ministries of prayer, peace, and presence during this time of great loss.



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## SERVICES TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF

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# J'ALLEN UNDERWOOD

10/7/2006 - 3/20/2024

Wednesday, April 3, 2024  
Calling Hours 10:00am  
Funeral Service 11:00am

Tabernacle Baptist Church  
707 Arlington St., Youngstown, OH 44510

J.E. WASHINGTON  
FUNERAL SERVICES, INC.

PASTOR RAYMOND AUSTIN  
OFFICIANT & CELEBRANT

## *- Order of Worship*

### *Celebrating the Life of J'Allen L. Underwood*



**Musical Prelude & Parting Viewing**

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Sacred Text to Comfort**

**Music Ministry**

**Acknowledgments of Community Tributes**

**Music Ministry**

**The Words of Comfort & Hope**

**Pastor Raymond Austin**

**Committal & Recessional**

**Cortege to Belmont Park Cemetery**

**Benediction**



*John 14:1-3 "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am."*

## *The Life & Legacy of J'Allen L. Underwood*

**I**n the heart of Youngstown, OH, a star was born on a bright October day in 2006 - J'Allen L. Underwood, with a passion for the pigskin that burned like a roaring flame. Known to family and friends as J'Al, his influence on and off the field was epic. On March 20, 2024, that flame was cruelly extinguished, leaving his family, friends, and community in mourning.

From a young age, J'Allen's passion for football was evident. Attending Chaney High School, the dedicated junior lived and breathed the sport, with aspirations of one day making it to the NFL. His relentless work ethic and commitment to his craft set him apart, always the first on the field and the last to leave.

Despite his fierce dedication to football, J'Al was known for his big heart and love for his family. He adored his mother and siblings, finding joy in preparing large breakfasts for his loved ones and always putting others before himself.

His profession of faith and baptism at Tabernacle Baptist Church reflected his faith and values, demonstrating his kind and generous soul to all who knew him. However, J'Al wasn't just about touchdowns and tackles as he also enjoyed track and basketball. He had an appreciation for rap music, liberally eating snacks, and watching YouTube while mastering the Xbox controller with finesse.

J'Allen was more than just a scholar at Chaney High School - he was a force of nature, ready to take on the world with a grin and a football in hand. His spirit embraced life with open arms - a true renaissance spirit with a love for life and people. He championed the spirit of a die-hard fan of the New Orleans Saints NFL football team.

His legacy will be sustained by his mother Nichelle (Victor Green) Floyd, father Allen Underwood Sr. and his siblings Ja'Mael Pierce, J'Ontay Floyd, Allen Underwood Jr., X'avion Leonard, Antoniah Underwood, A'lazsa Underwood, Cha'liece Underwood, Hassan Underwood, and Aaliyah Underwood. He also survived by cousins, Christian & Se'yonie Floyd who were like brothers to him, along with his godbrothers Marquell, Jesean and Prince. His love is also cherished by maternal grandparents Crystal and Glenn Floyd, paternal grandparents Ellen Underwood and Ira Ephraim Underwood, an adoring niece ZaViah Pierce, his favorite uncle Corey and a score of family and friends which is too expansive to be singly named.

May we find solace in the memories we hold of J'Allen, a young man who touched the lives of many with his infectious spirit and genuine love for all. His legacy will live on in the hearts of those who knew and cherished him.

*Lovingly submitted by the Family*