

A Game
Called Love

A game you play that has
no rules,
has no pieces, has no tools.
A game with no strategy and no
sort of plot,
A game you can't just close up and
stop.
A game where luck plays a huge part,
If your an unlucky person, well hold on to
your heart.
A game you don't decide to play,
Over one hundred million people play
everyday.
A game that gives you no chance to fight,
A game that keeps you up in wee hours of the
night.
A game where muscle has no effect,
A game that has grown men sitting in corners
upset.
A game everyone plays and very few win,
And no matter how many times we lose we play
it again.
A game that takes over our mind, body, and
soul,
This games been here forever and never gets
old.
Sometimes you give up and say 'I quit you
win'.
But this games not like that, you play to
the end.
This game is heaven sent so it's
sent from up above,
This is a game, a game called
love....

Theodore Carlton, III



IN LOVING MEMORY



TJ ALLEN

1989 - 2024

TJ was born on May 17, 1989, on Altus Air Force Base in Oklahoma to Sheldon Allen-Lightfoot and Yolanda Bennett. Most of his childhood years were spent in Altus. He was a proud Bulldog and a 2007 graduate of Altus High School just as his mother and uncle, David, Jr. were. TJ also was an active member of the JROTC. He attended college at Western Oklahoma State College. When he wasn't in Altus TJ was living abroad with his mom in places such as Germany, Fort Lewis Washington, Fort Hood Texas, and Fort Gordon Georgia while she served in the United States Army.

TJ worked at Bar-S Foods, Co., and held various positions in food service both in Altus and Georgia. When he was not at work, his time would be spent playing numerous video games, but his favorites were Dragon Ball Z and Final Fantasy VII. TJ could engage in conversation for hours on almost every game he played. The excitement displayed by him getting into character and doing his own animations would make whomever he was talking with just as excited as he was by listening to him.

He enjoyed cooking, spending time with his children, brothers, sisters, and friends. Even though pizza was his food of choice, the list of favorites includes mac-n-cheese and chicken and dumplings. But the one dish he would not pass up was his Grandma Bee's lasagna. TJ passed away on July 2, 2024, in Altus, at the age of 35.

Both of TJ's grandmothers, Valerie Ann Bennett and Emma Allen preceded him in death.

Those left to remember TJ include his parents, Sheldon and Yolanda; children, Kayden Allen and Nella Allen; brother, Dionte Lightfoot-Owens; sisters, Sapphire Lightfoot, Aneicia Aluinn, and Jaylyne Swanson; grandfather, David Ellis Bennett, Sr.; cousins, Jay, Rochelle, and Alexius; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, and other cousins.

Terence Jamahl "TJ" Allen

May 17, 1989 - July 2, 2024

Celebration of Life

2:00 pm

Thursday, August 1, 2024

Kincannon Memorial Chapel
Altus, Oklahoma

Service Leaders

Yolanda Bennett, Netta Owens
David Bennett, Sr.

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4:00 pm

509 Mercury Street
Altus, Oklahoma

