

Celebrating The Life Of

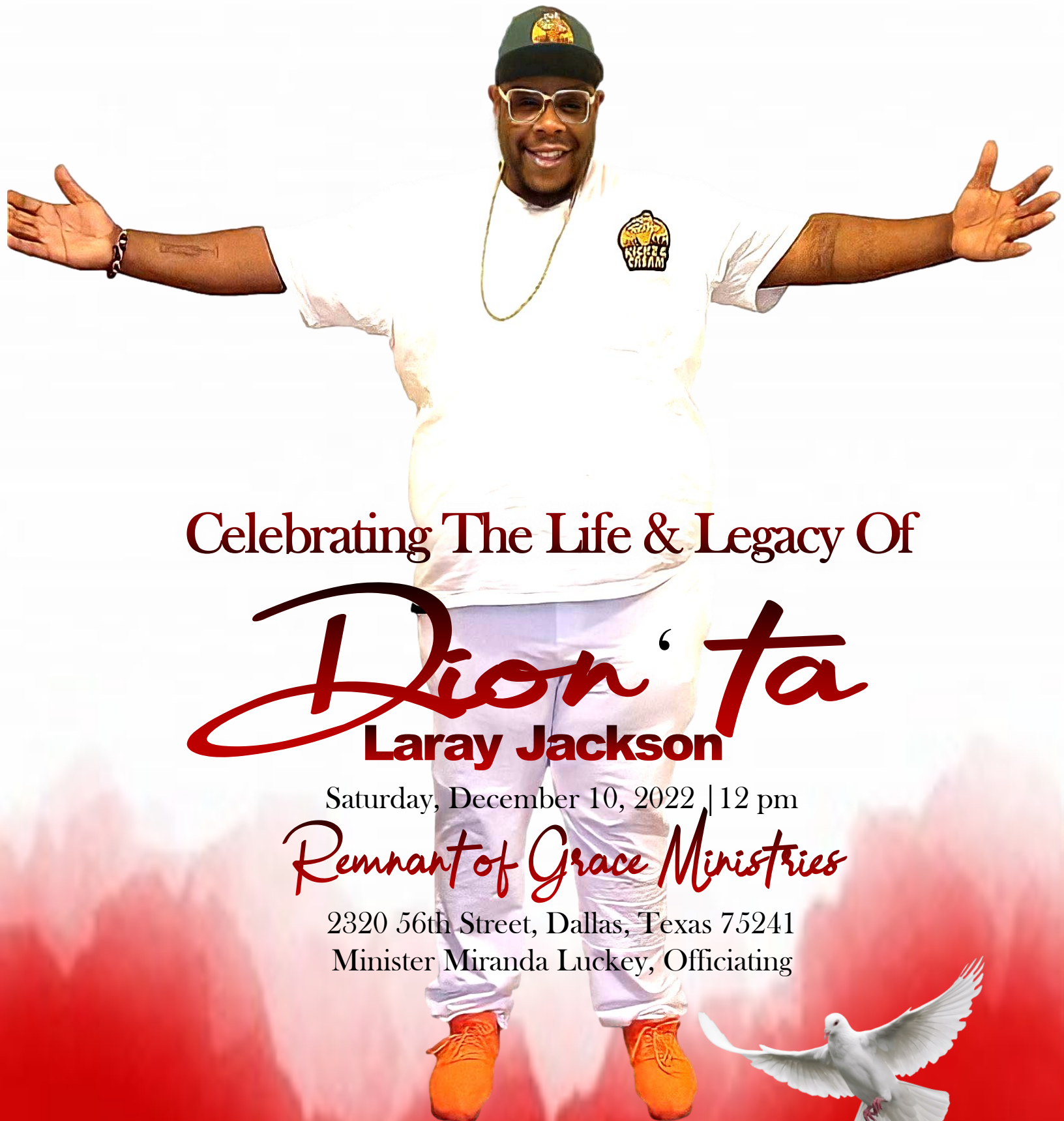
# BIG TANK



*Dionita*  
**LaRay Jackson**

November 7,  
1983

November 27,  
2022



Celebrating The Life & Legacy Of

*Dion'ta*  
**Laray Jackson**

Saturday, December 10, 2022 | 12 pm

*Remnant of Grace Ministries*

2320 56th Street, Dallas, Texas 75241

Minister Miranda Luckey, Officiating



# *Let the Life I Lived Service I Give Speak for Me*

Dion'ta Laray Jackson, affectionally known as Tank, professionally known under his studio names as Big Tank, Phat Boi Fly and The Real Phat Mac was born on November 7, 1983 to the parentage of Dennis Mayberry and Judy (Jackson) Mayberry in Dallas, TX. Tank was privileged to be loved by all his family on both the Mayberry and Jackson side and was reared up by his maternal grandparents, Leroy and Beatrice Jackson, who both proceeded him in death.

Big Tank attended the Dallas Independent School District and was a 2002 graduate of David W. Carter High School. He was a star football player in high school where he played several positions including Center and Guard which afforded him a college scholarship to play for Oklahoma Christian College. He later attended Texas Southern University in Houston, TX where he would perform in the popular, well-attended talent shows which became the start of his vocal career. This newfound love of rap added to his already musically inclined talents as he started as a toddler banging on pots and pans in his mom's kitchen. He soon became the backup and later lead drummer at his grandfather's church, Parkside Church of God in Christ (now Greater Parkside Church, Inc.) which he played (or 'beat') the drums until the Lord call him home, 2 hours after church service ended on November 27, 2022.

Tank met a young lady at D. A. Hulcy Middle School by the name of Latoya Willis. Although just acquaintances in middle school, they would go on to attend the same high school, David W. Carter, where Ms. Latoya asked Big Tank if she could become his locker buddy because she didn't care for the person assigned to her. Their 'just friendship' picked up in high school however they reconnected nearly 3 years after graduation when Big Tank noticed her getting off a bus in his neighborhood. From there, their bond has been nothing short of a Godsend. Their love for each other is remarkable. They blended their families together in holy matrimony on May 12, 2012.

Tank was employed by Mapei where he loved working as a Dispatcher for the last 7 years. He was a loyal, dedicated and dependable employee and respected by his peers and management. Big Tank could be seen hitting the local stages in Texas where he rapped and chanted about God, Life, Faith, Love and Prosperity. The same belief he shared in the gospel scene, he rapped about on the secular stages where he became well-known for his rhyme and lyrics. Whether on the gospel scene or secular stages, Big Tank always displayed mad love to everyone, and his dedication to loyalty was unwavering.

He was proceeded in death by his maternal grandparents Beatrice and Leroy Jackson; Aunt Alice Brown; Uncles Kenneth Brown and Cornell Draper, Jr; Cousins: Sharae Jackson and Lee'Darius Robertson.

He lives to cherish his loves and hugs: His devoted wife Latoya Jackson; parents: Judy and Dennis Mayberry; children: A'nyia Betts, Da'Niya Jackson, Da'Metris Jackson, Da'Von Jackson; Grandparents: Phillis and Paul Hamilton, Bettye Jackson; Sisters: Chantrai Mayberry, Kie'undra Mayberry, Jasmine Willis (Danterry); Grandchildren: A'ryia Daniels and DaMyria Freaney; Aunts: Jeanette Henson, Rose Jackson (Charles), Debette Draper-Britton (Deon), Lisa Lacy and Chelle Moore; Uncles Jerry Jackson and Ivan Draper (Angela); Special Aunt Miranda Luckey (Michael); 10 nieces, a host cousins, God Sisters & Brothers, Family, Extended-Family, Friends and Artists.

# Order of Celebration



**Musical Prelude | Soft Music**

**Processional | Ministers & Family**

**Song of Life Reflection | GPC Praise & Worship Team**

**Scripture Readings**

Old Testament | Apostle Sherry Borders

New Testament | Pastor Terryon Jefferson

**Prayer of Comfort | Pastor Derek Lewis, II**

**Solo | Minister Chris Brown**

***Resolutions***

Greater Parkside Church

Love & Grace Community Church

& Others

**Special Words**

Nikki Jackson

**Expressions of Love**

(2 minutes pls)

**Clergy Remarks**

**Sermonic Selection**

Chadney Christle

**Eulogy**

Pastor Ivan Draper

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**Parting View**

**Recessional**

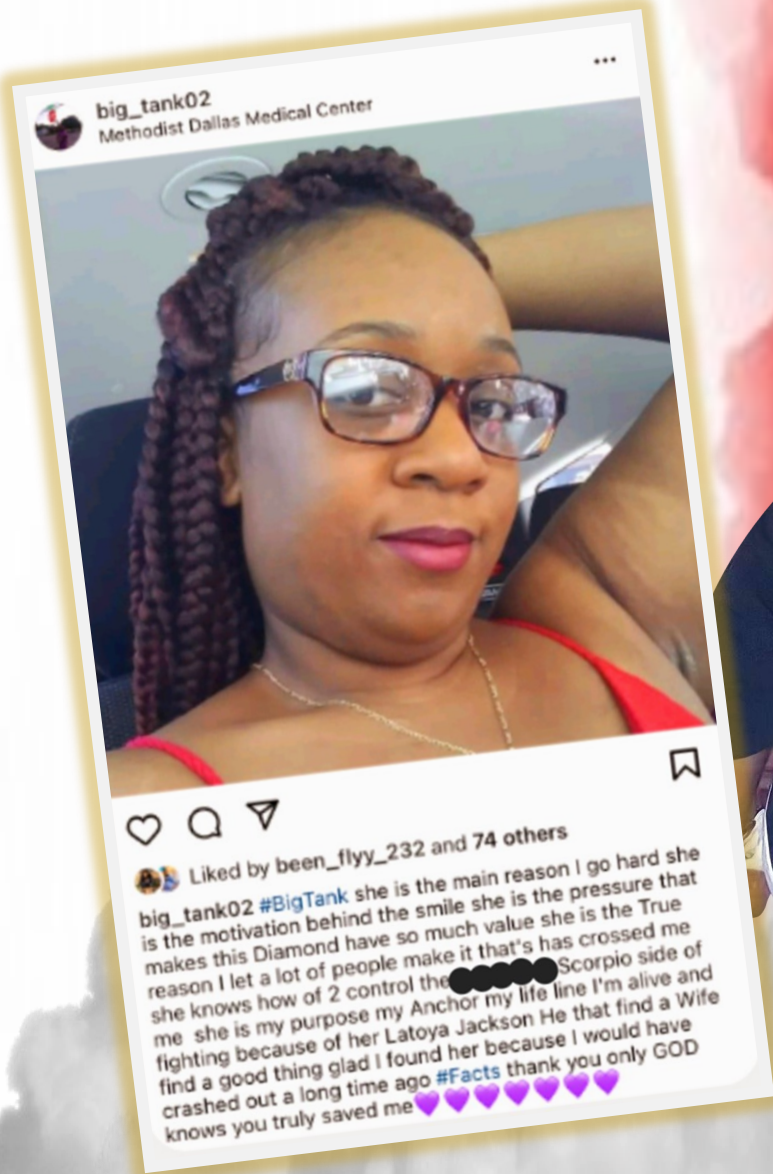
*To My Husband/Best Friend,*

Thank you for showing me what real love was. Thank you for being you and loving crazy me. Your love is what's holding me up. I can feel you holding and telling me everything is/will be alright. You were truly heaven sent. No one is perfect but you were perfect for me. Our love was perfectly imperfect and I will choose you in every lifetime. I thank God for allowing me/us to experience a love like ours. You said you would never leave me and I'm holding you to that. Don't worry about our girls I got them, but you already know that. I will love you past forever,

*Your Wife/Best Friend*

*Mrs. Jackson*

*You and me Tank forever*





# The Wind



## From Mother

To my big baby who left us to soon only God knew how you were suffering even though I loved me some you GOD loved you more so I say rest in peace my big baby I miss you so much love mom

## From Father

To my Son you are a vision of love a bundle of joy a limitless amount of warm hugs and the comforting voice of I love you daddy I thank God for the time he granted me you, you are such a kind young man You grew up to be a wonderful man loving and caring very respectful to all, Heavens a beautiful place and I know you are taking it all in walk around and look at all of God's creations and know that you deserve to be there he brought you home, I'm so proud to be your Dad and I'm going to miss that smile and laugh I will never forget you and until we see each other again I love you and I will make sure all these lady's are taken care of love you son.

## From Grandchildren

Thank uu for your unconditional love, thank you for always being here for me and my kids, and thank uu for loving my mother no matter the circumstances I love you forever and always

With Love your daughter and granddaughters  
A'Nyia, Ari, and Mari, We Love You Paw Paw

## To Mr Jackson

My big cousin, my big brother, my big dog, I love you til eternity and beyond. May you rest easy and your legacy live on through me. Sincerely Deron Jackson

# Beneath Our Wings


## Dear Daddy

There was more to losing you than just losing you. I lost my smile, my happiness and most importantly, I lost that shelter that used to keep me safe no matter what happened out there. I miss you so much! I never imagined a day would arrive when I would no longer be able to see you. But one thing remains constant always. Is the memories of you in my mind. Dad, you will always be loved and missed. I will always keep missing you. Thanks for everything, dad!

~ Love Da'Niy

Dear Daddy , I miss you so much but I know you are in a better place watching all of us, I miss the smiles and laughs we had. Thank you for being there with just love and support .You given me the best things in my life your time ,your care and your love . I'm truly grateful that I had you in my life!  
**I LOVE YOU SO MUCH!!!**

From Yours Truly, Pooh/Da'Metris J.

Dear daddy I love you and I will always make sure your name will never be forgotten I will rock the D.L.J name proudly I miss oh so very much but I know you're in a better place now and that you will watch over me and take care of me the same way as you did. We will always love you and miss you and I want to let you know that all of us are going to be ok so don't worry about us we're all going to make it through the pain fly high 

-Love Von

# Family Acknowledgements

We the family, would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your selflessness outpour of love, support and prayers in the sudden homegoing of our dearly beloved and departed Dion'ta Big Tank Jackson. He was one of a kind and there will never be another like him. We all, near and far, count ourselves as blessed to have met his acquaintance and kindled a friendship that goes far beyond the grave. Please pray for us as we continue to pray for you because the loss of this great giant is felt by all, in a great way. May God continue to bless you and prosper your territory as you allow Him to prosper your soul. Until we meet again! We Love You!

*The Family*

*Pallbearers*

Kenneth Brown Jr. — Montel Moore — Allen Warren  
Jamie McKinsey — Deron Jackson — Kendrick Anderson

*Honorary Pallbearers*

Charles Jackson — Dandre Washington — Clone-Free Gang  
D'Ivan Draper — Jeromy Washington — Brandon Brock



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