### He is Gone

You can shed tears that he is gone Or you can smile because he has lived You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back Or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left Your heart can be empty because you can't see him Or you can be full of the love that you shared You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday You can remember him and only that he is gone Or you can cherish his memory and let it live on You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back Or you can do what he would want: smile, open your eyes, love and go on.



Harrisburg

## Homegoing Service for the Late

# **Corey Grant-Sutherland**

November 18, 1996 — January 20, 2024



Saturday, February 3, 2024 Visitation: 10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. Funeral Service: 11:30 A.M.

> Raymer Kepner Chapel 16901 Old Statesville Road Huntersville, NC 28078

### **Obituary**

Corey Talmedge Grant-Sutherland, born on November 18, 1996, sadly passed away on January 20, 2024. He was a strong-minded and independent individual with a private and sometimes guarded introverted nature. Corey cared deeply for his loved ones and was a loving and caring member of his family. A deep thinker who believed in God, Corey sought strength and healing through a spiritual connection. He would pray and tell family about the ones God answered for him. In recent years, Corey sowed into his faith, got baptized, and developed a forgiving heart.

Born in Stamford, CT, Corey discovered his passion for cooking at a young age and aspired to become a chef one day. His coworkers often spoke of how patrons adored him. Corey truly found joy and fulfillment in sharing a meal with his family and friends, using those moments to open up and connect on a deeper level.

Music was another passion that brought Corey immense happiness. He loved to sing with those he felt the deepest connections with, finding solace and expression through music. Those closest to Corey also got to see a silly side that was hilarious to see, goofy faces and everything. Additionally, Corey had a distinct sense of style; he had his own unique way of dressing, never one to follow the crowd. He had a charming persona that left a lasting impression on all those who had the pleasure of knowing him. He was known to be smooth, calm and quiet He never wanted to attract attention, unless it was on a day he felt like turning heads with an upscale outfit.

At the age of 5, Corey was diagnosed with type I diabetes. Despite facing numerous challenges along this journey, Corey displayed tremendous resilience during each hospital visit. In recent years, he dedicated himself to understanding and managing his diabetes, demonstrating his determination to overcome any obstacles that came his way.

Corey's kindness extended beyond his immediate family circle. He cherished the memories shared of his maternal grandmother. His passing leaves behind grief-stricken parents Donald Sutherland, Paulina Sutherland, Ruth Grant, as well as devoted siblings Matthew Grant, Donald 'DJ' Sutherland (Chelsea), Shatara Grant, LaLa Grant, Monique Dorsey (Owen). Corey also leaves behind two nephews and five nieces, who were a source of joy and inspiration to him. Additionally, his grandmother Mable Chisholm mourns the loss of her beloved grandson.

Corey Grant-Sutherland will be remembered for his dedication to his loved ones, his unwavering spirit in the face of adversity, and his love for cooking and music. He touched the lives of many with his caring nature and his deep thoughts. As we gather to bid farewell, let us celebrate the vibrant life he lived and the lasting impact he left behind. May his soul find eternal peace.

#### **Order of Service**

Reverend Lawrence Norris Officiating

Opening & Prayer Pastor Norris

Song The Best in Me Marvin Sapp

Scripture Reading Psalm 23 Ainsworth 'GG' Grant

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Dr. L. Jarvis

Scripture Reading Romans 8:28-30 Mahalia Ruffin

Moments of Reflection

Words for My Brother with Tribute Donald "DJ" Sutherland

Poem for My Brother Lala Grant
Letter from Parents Margo Jones

Song Pretty Wings Maxwell

Letter from Monique Funeral Director

Song I Won't Complain Rev. Steve Stevenson

Words of Comfort Pastor Norris
Closing/Benediction Pastor Norris

Recessional Amazing Grace







