



## Arthur DeShawn Otis Thompson

March 26, 1983 - August 16, 2025

\*\*\*NOTE: A MEMORIAL SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR ARTHUR DESHAWN OTIS THOMPSON WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026, AT OUR FUNERAL HOME

\*\*\*PLEASE SEE VISITATION & SERVICE TIMES LISTED BELOW

\*\*\*MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER WILL BE PROVIDED BY REQUEST.

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NOTE: DVD MEMORIAL TRIBUTE WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON

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### THE OBITUARY

Arthur Deshawn Otis Thompson began his transition on August 16, 2025. He was born on March 26, 1983 to Annie Thompson and Christopher Joseph Bailey in San Antonio, TX. Arthur attended J.T. Brackenridge Elementary School, Fidel L. Tafolla Middle School and later attended Sidney Lanier High School. He finished his GED to round out his secondary education. Arthur accepted Christ at an early age and attended Lily of the Valley Baptist Church in San Antonio. After finishing his education, he relocated to Michigan with his family and became employed in many capacities, that included food service and also working at several factories.

Arthur liked computers, putting together gaming cards, the mother board,

video games. He had a love for animals, especially reptiles. He would bring some of these animals home that he found. Arthur was very intelligent and enjoyed talking about politics, cared about his surroundings and the people around him. He loved to make others smile with the jokes he told. He was very family orientated and loved to spend time with his children. He loved being an uncle, and "big cousin".

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Katie Hunt and Lawrence Thompson; maternal cousin; Garard Jr., maternal uncle, Garard Sr.; paternal side, Joseph Bailey; aunt Linda Bailey; uncles Billy Finley and Freddie Bailey Jr., along with a host of uncles and cousins that preceded him in death.

Left behind to celebrate his life, on his maternal side: his mother, Annie Thompson, sister, Misa-Renee Thompson (Khrystoffor), children: Rasheed Amir Robertson Thompson, Shurone Deshawn Thompson, Symir Deshawn Thompson, Kimora Ly Thompson and Romello Deshawn Thompson; 2 aunts, Tawanda Thompson and Melinda Thompson; nieces and nephews, Khrystoffor Jr., Kai'Meir Gerard, Koda Deshawn, Mia Renee Khryshawn, and special cousins, Terrell Deshawn and Terrence Devon.

paternal side, sisters, Venue Bullard-Bailey, Maryann Bailey, uncles Anthony Bailey and Ellery Prince Sr. cousins Shenece, Linda Bailey, Ellery Bailey Jr. and Quintin Bailey; cousin, Anthony Reese Bailey Jr. and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives and friends. Also, special best friend Thaddus.

# Previous Events

## Visitation For Family & Friends

MAR 28. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## A Memorial Service In Loving Memory Of

MAR 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Arthur DeShawn Otis Thompson



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**Harper Funeral Home** - March 26 at 10:10 PM

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“ May God give the family the strength they need during this time.  
Campbell Family



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**Loretta Bates** - March 28 at 10:16 AM

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“ Hate you had to go man. I remember the times at Towanda's house and you would crack jokes all day. Man you're truly missed!... Victor B

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**Loretta Bates** - March 28 at 10:15 AM

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“ Wow , Shawn we can't believe you're gone. However, God only takes the best for His garden. We will see you on the other side my love...

*TT Loretta & Victor*

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**Loretta Bates** - March 28 at 10:11 AM