

Order of Service

for
Aaron D. Kinsey

Officiating
Pastor Beatrice Kathy Long-Richardson

Eulogist
Reverend Jerome Kinsey Jones

Music provided by Ra'Chelle Banks

Prelude

ProcessionalOfficers and Family

Opening PrayerPastor Long-Richardson

Lessons from the Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

Musical Selection – “*Dancing in the Sky*”
[Dedicated to my son, from your mother]

Message to Dad.....Aaron’s children

Reflections (*limit your remarks to 2 minutes each, please*)

Mr. Daniel Mahin [As a Scout Leader]

Mr. John Rolle [As a Coach]

Mr. Lamar McZeke and Mr. William “Lethal” Davis
[As a Friend / Brother]

Special Tribute..... William Kinsey [Brother]

Family Video TributeCREATED BY Tanya Parker

Musical Selection..... Ra’Chelle Banks

Words of Comfort Rev. Jerome Kinsey Jones [Uncle]

Acknowledgements Chestnut Funeral Home

Directives & Closing Prayer.....Rev. Jerome Kinsey Jones

RecessionalOfficers and Family

*We are confident,
I say, and willing
rather to be absent
from the body, and to
be present with the Lord.*

– 2 Corinthians 5:8

– Revelation 21:4

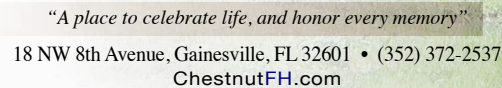
The family of **Aaron D. Kinsey** wishes to express their deepest appreciation and sincere gratitude to those who have offered prayers and support during our time of bereavement.

A Special Thank You to William
“Lethal” Davis, Shawandra Bell,
Laura Bottecchia, Daniel Villegas,
Kara Bonzheim, Brenda Sweeting,
members of the Bay Area Apartment
Association and many family and
friends for their love and donations
that held us up during this
heartbreaking time.

We take comfort in 1 Corinthians 2:9...

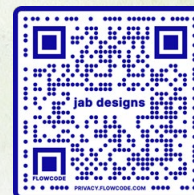
“Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.”

– *The Family*



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SUNSET
August 20, 2025

Saturday, September 20, 2025

VISITATION 11:00 AM / LIFE CELEBRATION SERVICE 12:00 NOON

Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Association

8810 NE Waldo Road, Gainesville, Florida 32609

Officiating – Pastor Beatrice Kathy Long-Richardson

Eulogist – Reverend Jerome Kinsey Jones
Spring Hill Missionary Baptist Church – 120 SE Williston Rd., Gainesville, FL 33641

Services Entrusted To
Chestnut Funeral Home
18 NW 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601

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Yet we have this assurance: Those who belong to God will live; their bodies will rise again! Those who sleep in the earth will rise up and sing for joy!

— Isaiah 26:19 NLT

Aaron Diante Kinsey

Aaron Dianté Kinsey, affectionately known to many as “*Diamond*,” was born on August 22, 1978, in Miami, Florida, to Margaret Kinsey-Rushing and the late Willie Kinsey Sr. He passed from this life on August 20, 2025, at the age of 46.

From the beginning, Aaron was full of life and personality. As a little boy, while living in the Bahamas, he found joy diving for conch in the ocean—a memory he carried with him through the years. He grew up loving sports and excelled in many: volleyball, football, wrestling, and especially track and field. A standout athlete, he ran sprints, relays, and hurdles, proudly competing in the Junior Olympics during his high school years. A graduate of Miami Central High School, Aaron lived in many places throughout his life, including Miami, Gainesville, the Bahamas, St. Petersburg, and Clearwater.

Aaron was a man of many nicknames. To his mother, he was her beloved “*Teddy Bear*.” To audiences, he was “*Diamond*,” an entertainer and performer. But his proudest name of all was “*Dad*.” He loved his children deeply and was devoted to teaching them life lessons, cheering them on, and being present for them.

Aaron also found joy in simple pleasures—listening to all kinds of music, singing, cooking his favorite meals (especially conch salad), watching and following sports, fishing with his family, and admiring fast cars. He had a particular love for Corvettes. Friends and family knew him as someone who laughed often, loved hard, and genuinely cared for people. His personality filled every room he entered, and his words of love were always consistent. Aaron made it a point to tell every family member and friend, “*I love you*,” never letting a conversation end without it.

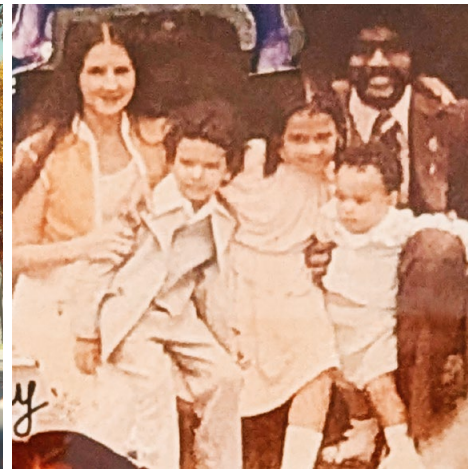
Above all, Aaron was a mama’s boy through and through. From childhood into adulthood, his bond with his mother remained unbreakable, a source of comfort and pride for them both.

In addition to his biological family, Aaron shared a lifelong sibling bond with Lamar McZeke, Deadric McMiller, and Shanell McMiller-Brown. To know Aaron was to know a man with a big heart, a contagious smile, and a deep love for life.

Aaron was preceded in death by his **father**, Willie Kinsey Sr., and his **daughter**, Kayla Amore Kinsey.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his beloved **children** – Diyanni, Amahri, Akadian, Perseis, Fierce, Gracen, Arabella, Noelle, Keanu, and Amira Kinsey; his devoted **mother** and **stepfather** – Margaret and Dennie Rushing; **siblings** – Ruthenia (Michael) George, William (Arnetta) Kinsey, and Relisia (Jarrod) Simpson; along with a host of **aunts**, **uncles**, **nieces**, **nephews**, **cousins**, other relatives, and countless friends.

Aaron’s life was a testament to laughter, love, and loyalty. His legacy will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.



A Message to My Son....

DANCING

IN THE SKY

Tell me, what does it look like in heaven?
Is it peaceful? Is it free like they say?
Does the sun shine bright forever?
Have your fears and your pain gone away?
'Cause here on Earth, it feels like everything
Good is missing since you left
And here on Earth, everything's different
There's an emptiness
Oh-oh, I

I hope you're dancing in the sky
I hope you're singing in the angel's choir
And I hope the angels know what they have
I'll bet it's so nice up in Heaven
since you arrived

So tell me, what do you do up in Heaven?
Are your days filled with love and light?
Is there music?
Is there art and adventure?
Tell me, are you happy?
Are you more alive?
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Songwriters:

Regi Penxten • Jessy De Smet
Filip Lieven Karel Vandueren

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor ANY other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

— Romans 8:38-39

