

### ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Michael Wilson	Patrick Toliver
Marc Wilson	Al Hunter
Kevin Tinney, II	Maceo Gill
Dre Dennis	Larry Zackery

Clifford Franklin

### HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Jason Moody	Keland Gipson
Malik Clark	Jeremy Townlin
Jeremy Thomas	Courtney Thomas
Chase Evans	Justin Moody, Sr
Jase Sanders	Kelsey Clayton

### FLOWER BEARERS

Friends and the Family

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of the late Rick T wishes to express our deepest gratitude for the many acts of kindness, comforting words, prayers, and support shown during this time of sorrow. Your presence has been a source of strength and your love a source of comfort.

We are especially thankful for the pastors, musicians, ushers, and funeral home staff who helped make this celebration of life a meaningful and beautiful remembrance of our beloved.

May God continue to bless each of you for your thoughtfulness and care.

With heartfelt thanks,  
The Family of Rick T.

### INTERMENT

Kilgore Memorial Gardens

\*Dinner will be served immediately following Interment at  
2990 Old Hwy 135 Kilgore, TX 75662

Services Entrusted to:  
Cunningham Funeral Home

# *Honoring the Legacy of Mr. Brodrick "Rick tha Rula" Thomas*

*Sunrise: September 11, 1989*

*Sunset: July 20, 2025*





# His Journey

Mr. Brodrick O'Neal Thomas, Sr., affectionately known as "Rick," was born on September 11, 1989, in Longview, Texas, to Roydell Thomas and the late Keycier Moody. He began his spiritual journey at New Birth Fellowship Church and was later a proud member of El Bethel Missionary Baptist Church.

A 2008 Kilgore High School graduate, Rick went on to earn an Associate's Degree in Process Technology and his CDL from Kilgore College. He wore many hats—fiancé, brother, uncle, coach, mentor—but his proudest role was being a devoted father and loyal friend.

Rick worked hard in the oilfield and never backed down from a challenge. In 2015, he and his fiancée, Pliar, welcomed their son, Broderick Jr. "BJ"—his junior, his sidekick. Their bond was unbreakable. Rick also poured his love into his bonus daughter, Rileigh, treating her as his own and making sure she always felt it.

He loved being "Uncle Rick" to all the kids, but watching his nephews, La'Perrion and La'Keyleon, play football brought him a different kind of joy—he was their biggest, loudest fan.

Rick wasn't just a man—he was a whole vibe. If you knew him, you knew that mouth stayed slick—but his love ran deep. He could clown you one minute and be the first to show up when you needed him the next. He had a gift for humor, always quick with a grin and a joke, even in tough moments. His presence could shift the atmosphere and bring light into any room.

He was solid, loyal, and protective of those he loved. Rick loved hard, laughed loud, and lived fully. He didn't just show up—he showed out in the best way.

Rick passed on July 20, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of love, laughter, and strength that will live on through his children, family, and everyone he touched.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Keycier Moody; grandmothers, Bobbie Jean Jackson and Emma Thomas; grandfather, J.B. Moody II; and great-grandparents, Geraldine and Kelly Jackson.

To cherish Rick's memory are these ducks: his fiancée, Pliar; son, BJ; daughter, Rileigh; father, Roydell; bonus mom, Timeko; sisters: Shureka, Kelli, Brittany, Amber, Whitney, Jessica, Mia, Epiphany, Jaquetta; brothers: JaQuaylon, Dre, Jason, Justin, Malik, Michael, Patrick, Marc, Al, Kevin, Maceo, Bobby, Clifford; grandfather, James; Uncle Willie; great aunts, Carrie & Callie; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.



*I did not want to leave you  
It was just my time to go  
I know your heart is  
breaking  
So, I need to let you know  
That although you can no  
longer see  
I'll be forever by your side  
I promise time will numb the  
pain  
And help dry the tears you've  
cried  
You can reach me in your  
memories  
Just think of me, I will be  
there  
In your dreams, we can visit  
yesteryear  
Where we didn't have a care  
Please carry on and live your  
life  
I beg of you to try  
Just know that we will meet  
again one day  
As this is not goodbye.  
Love y'all ducks fo'real and  
Stay Dangerous,  
Rick*





Don't think of him as gone away  
his journey's just begun  
life holds so many facets  
this earth is only one.

Just think of him as resting  
from the sorrows and the tears  
in a place of warmth and comfort  
where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing  
that you could know today  
how nothing but your sadness  
can really go away.

And think of him as living  
in the hearts of those he touched...  
for nothing loved is ever lost  
and he was loved so much

Love you,  
Your Family

# Order of Service

Saturday, August 2, 2025~Twelve O'clock Noon First Baptist Church

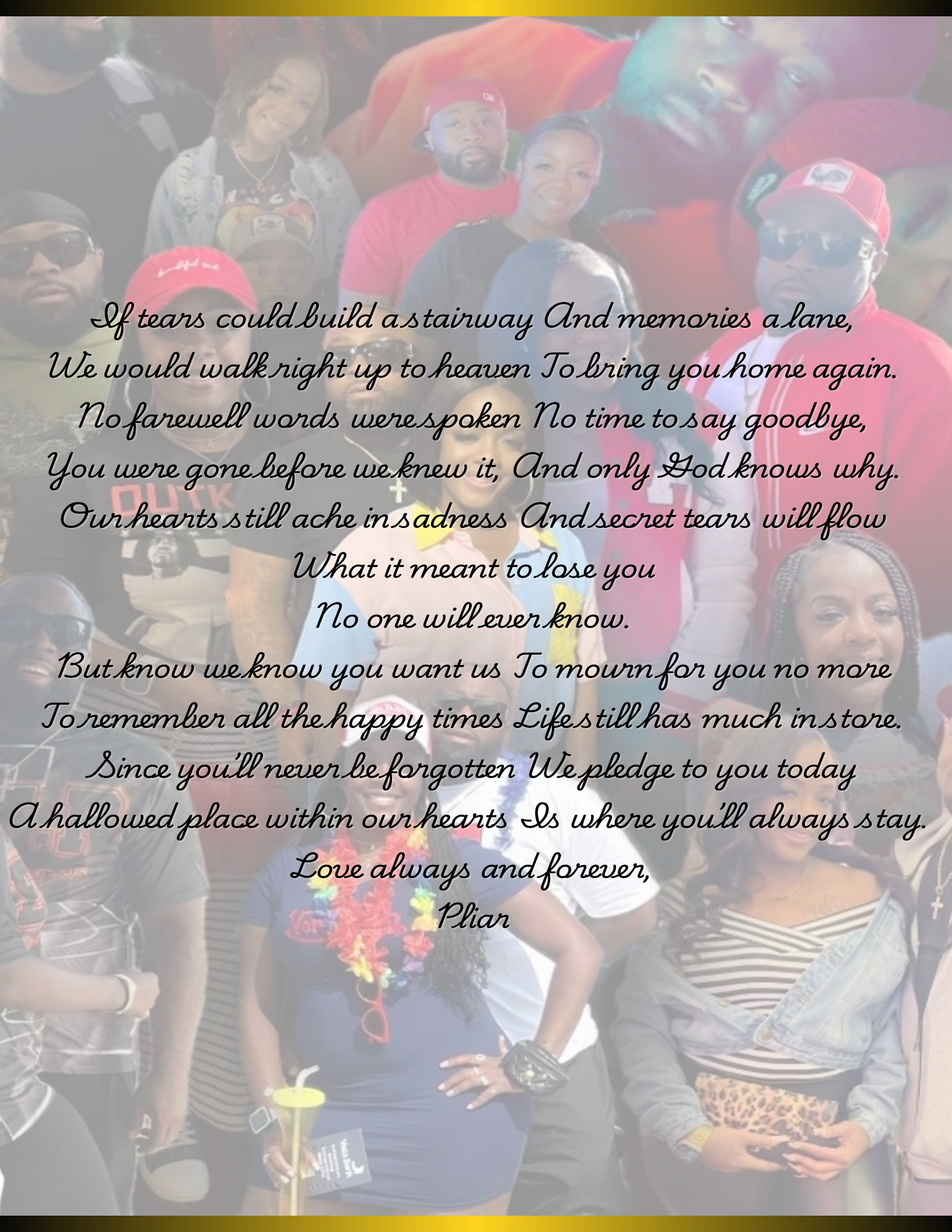
501 E. North St. Kilgore, Tx 75662

Reverend Perfit Atkins-Officiating

Sister Karla Square, Mistress of Ceremony

- Prelude-----LaKendric Skinner
- Processional-----Clergy and Family
- Opening Hymn-----LaKendric Skinner
- Prayer-----Pastor Marian Kennedy
- Scriptural Meditations:
- Old & New Testament-----Pastor Stevie Jeffery
- Song-----Smith Sisters
- Resolution-----Ashia Kelly (Class of 2008)  
(Others will be passed to the family)
- Song-----Smith Sisters
- Special Expressions-----Margaret Roland
- Class of '08-----Cody Murphy
- Other Expressions: (2 minutes please)
- Acknowledgement-----Opal Mauldin-Jones
- Song-----Kane Lacey
- Eulogy-----Reverend Perfit Atkins
- Presentation-----Cunningham Staff
- Parting View-----Cunningham Funeral Directors
- Recessional-----LaKendric Skinner





If tears could build a stairway And memories a lane,  
We would walk right up to heaven To bring you home again.  
No farewell words were spoken No time to say goodbye,  
You were gone before we knew it, And only God knows why.  
Our hearts still ache in sadness And secret tears will flow

What it meant to lose you

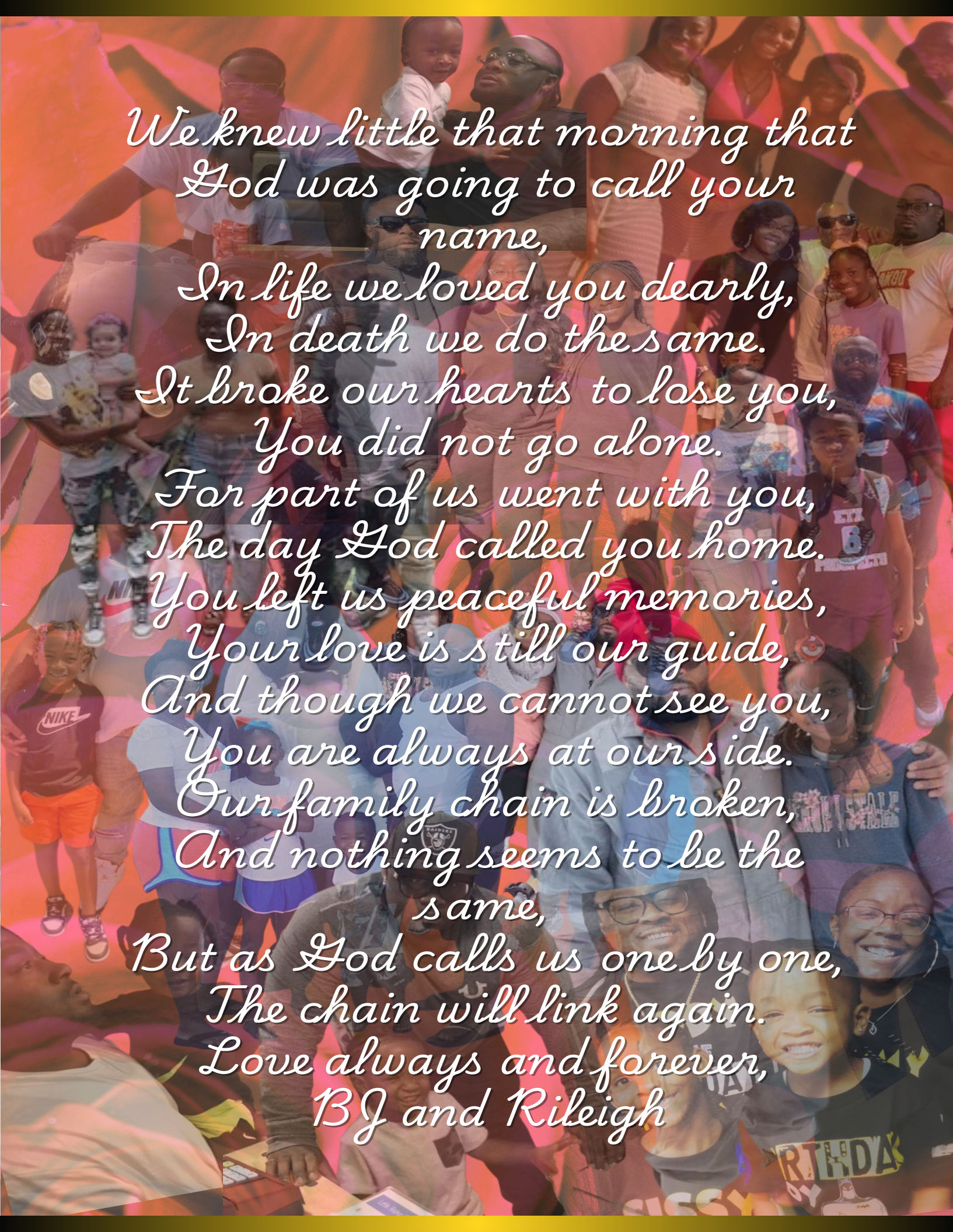
No one will ever know.

But know we know you want us To mourn for you no more  
To remember all the happy times Life still has much in store.

Since you'll never be forgotten We pledge to you today  
A hallowed place within our hearts Is where you'll always stay.

Love always and forever,

Pliar



We knew little that morning that  
God was going to call your  
name,

In life we loved you dearly,  
In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you,  
You did not go alone.

For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories,  
Your love is still our guide,

And though we cannot see you,  
You are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken,  
And nothing seems to be the  
same,

But as God calls us one by one,  
The chain will link again.

Love always and forever,  
BJ and Rileigh