

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2025

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**RENAULT
VONZEL
TURNER II**

FEBRUARY 16, 2014 -
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RJ

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Renault Vonzel Turner II, affectionately called “RJ”, was born February 16, 2014 in West Bloomfield, MI.

From an early age, RJ exhibited a remarkable curiosity about the world around him. As a baby, he loved books and learning about all types of things. He became not only an avid reader but also had a knack for building and fixing things. He showcased a creativity that often left those around him in awe. He excelled academically and was called the ‘mathematical genius’ by his peers, scoring in the 99th percentile on national exams.

His love for learning extended beyond books. He frequently shared interesting facts and information on a variety of topics, sparking lively, and sometimes deep, discussions with family and friends. He would leave you feeling as if you just had a conversation with an adult.

RJ had an impressive memory and was deemed the ‘family historian’. He always remembered everyone’s birthdays and would often recall special moments between family and friends. RJ was cherished by everyone.

RJ took his ‘2nd birthday’ very seriously, reminding his family as recently as this past Christmas of its date. He accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at the tender age of 4 on July 21, 2018 as he and his mother sat on his bed talking about Paw Patrol. RJ's compassionate spirit was evident in his relationship with the Lord. An independent student of the Bible, he prayed for others and served faithfully as a Junior Warrior in Kidz World at Word of Faith International Christian Center. In this role, he led many to Christ, touching lives with his gentle faith and unwavering commitment to helping others. His ability to connect with people, even at such a young age, was a testament to his deep understanding of God’s love and kindness.

In addition to his spiritual pursuits, RJ was a fierce competitor in sports and games. He was a ‘chip off the old block’ and shared a passion for football and basketball with his dad and brother. He also enjoyed golf, skating and soccer. He was learning the trombone and loved singing to the Lord. He also loved playing video games, chess and Uno with his cousins, often emerging victorious and making sure everyone knew it.

ALL STAR ● MVP ● CHAMPION



His joy in playing was matched only by the happiness he found in spending time with his brother, Ryan, with whom he shared countless adventures, sometimes leading to trouble. RJ was incredibly protective of Ryan. He was indeed a caring older brother and a loyal friend.



Despite his quiet demeanor, RJ had a profound impact on those around him, always showing kindness and consideration for others. His thoughtful nature and willingness to lend a helping hand made him a beloved student and classmate. He was quick to offer driving directions to his mother and tech support to his father and grandmother demonstrating a maturity beyond his years and a desire to assist his family whenever he could.

RJ moved to Heaven on January 7, 2025. We know he is having deep discussions with the Apostle Paul about his adventures, questioning David about his life choices and most importantly being embraced by the loving arms of His Savior, Jesus Christ.

RJ is survived by his loving parents, Renault and Kila Turner; his cherished siblings, sister Tangela, brother Ryan and Godsister Destiny; and his beloved cousins, Kilyn "Boo" (Duke) Augustin, Gabe and Courtney. He also leaves behind his devoted grandparents, Dr. Isaac and Lela Turner, and Ted and Dr. Lyndia Jones. He is mourned by his aunts and uncles, Pat and Larry Walker, Garry and Kenya Bulluck, Styron & Patti Turner, his Godparents, Charles and Leslie Richardson, Laura Emerson, his extended family in Kidz World and Southfield Christian School and a wide circle of friends and family members who adored him.

As we celebrate RJ's life, we remember his beautiful smile, his infectious curiosity, and the love he spread wherever he went. RJ will continue to be a bright light in the lives of all who knew him.





Celebrating the Life of Renault Vonzel Turner II

Friday, January 17, 2025 | Family Hour: 10AM | Homegoing: 11AM

Bishop Keith A. Butler, Officiant

Processional.....Family of RJ

Welcome & Greeting.....Minister

Song SelectionWord of Faith Music Department

Scripture Reading Minister

Prayer.....Pastor Derrick Greene, Sr.

Acknowledgments of Cards and Condolences.....Laura Emerson

Obituary ReadingEvangelist Marie Diggs

Remarks (2 minutes or less)Dr. Isaac Turner (Grandfather)
Charles & Leslie Richardson (Godparents)
Mr. Scott Cairo (SCS)
Ms. Cheryl Andrade (FCA Instructor)
LaJuana Jackson (Kidz World Team Member)

Song SelectionWord of Faith Music Department

EulogyBishop Keith A. Butler

RecessionalFamily of RJ

Organ PostludeWord of Faith Music Department



"And God's peace [shall be yours, that tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so fearing nothing from God and being content with its earthly lot of whatever sort that is, that peace] which transcends all understanding shall garrison and mount guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

-Philippians 4:7 [AMPC]

ORDER OF SERVICE

DEARLY LOVED

Our Dearest First-Born Son,

We are so grateful that God allowed us to be your parents. Even as a baby, we could tell you would live up to the meaning of your name—Renault, the well-advised ruler. The looks you would give others, told them that you were taking notes. As you grew, the Lord showed us your observant nature was not so you could judge others but to help them. He placed you on this earth to show His love, compassion and wisdom and you did just that.

We would often catch you reading your Bible in the late hours of the night, long after you were put to bed. Now that you are in Heaven, we know your joy has been fulfilled. You get to actually see and experience what you avidly read about in your favorite book. Most importantly, you get to spend eternity with the One you love the most, King Jesus.

You always made us so proud of you with your attitude of *Excellence*. You brought home straight A's from school, which always put a smile on both of our faces. We were always amazed at your Engineering Skills. You always loved to help with projects around the house. You saw the world differently from your Christian, compassionate, engineering mind. Just about a month ago, while we were taking our 45 min ride to school, I asked you if you had any Engineering ideas or inventions? Without hesitation you said there needs to be a solar panel electric car. You said just like in a gas combustion engine sends a charge to the alternator which then sends a charge to the battery. You said your solar panel would receive the energy from the sun, which would then send a charge to a larger alternator to continuously charge a car's battery. I then told you that was an awesome idea!!! Because of your brilliant mind we would often forget we were talking to a ten-year-old.

Grandson, These few short years have been so precious; you were such a blessing! Whatever help we needed, you were always right there with a smile. You were the carpenter, who made shoe racks and put together lamps, tables, and cabinets. You were our technical expert on Zoom, phones, computers, and even my new car. You amazed us with the ease with which you grasped mathematical concepts. You were our walking calculator! We loved your support in assembling and disassembling Poppy's motorized wheelchair in preparation for transport. We smiled at the many test runs you performed speeding up and around our driveway. I could not plant my flowers or complete many other tasks without you saying, "I got this grandma!" Though soft-spoken, you were a mighty man of valor. We wished we had the opportunity for that last hug before your trip to Heaven. Words cannot express how proud we are to call you, our grandson. There is a special place in our hearts only for you. RJ you are loved beyond words and will be missed beyond measure. | **Grandma and Poppy**

While we will certainly miss you, we know this is a momentary separation. We will meet you there, son. Until then, your legacy of love and service will continue. God will continue to be glorified through your life!

**Love,
Dad and Mom**

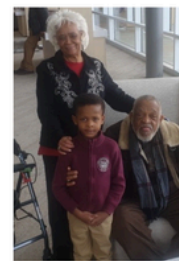


Hey RJ! I know you're having a good time in Heaven! I love you and I miss you! Bye! **Love, Ryan**



My beloved grandson, RJ, I love you dearly and I truly miss you. I will love you forever. There were so many special times we shared together. One special memory is when you gave me my Mother's Day card that you picked out all by yourself. It was a really special card. I will always treasure that card and our special memories in my heart forever.

Your Loving, Granna Lela

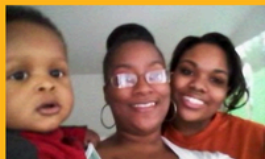


Renault Vonzel II (RJ) was an angel child walking this earth. Each time we looked at him we saw a child blessed by God. God Almighty blessed him with the gift of giving. We think of him as an instrument to always be used for goodness. He was always willing to help in situations, and people in need of help. Now, he is in Heaven with the heavenly host to be used by God. Our only regret is that we did not have him here long enough to love him in the physical. But, we have an everlasting love in the spirit.

Loving memories, Papa Isaac



RJ, You left us so soon. Nothing can fill the void your absence has left in our life. We will miss you day and night, and we pray to meet you soon on the other side. The memories that we have of you, we will always cherish them forever. Whenever we sit and watch a sporting event, we will think of you. You were a true gem. A protector and a leader. A servant of Christ. And now, the world feels a little less bright without your smile, but we know you're watching over us from above, sitting right at Jesus' feet. Rest well RJ, until we meet again.



Love, Tangie and Destiny

RJ, my loving, caring, sweet, intelligent nephew always had more going on underneath his warm eyes. I enjoyed the joy of his inquisitive mind and how it worked. You could look into his eyes and see his mind racing to see how he could be helpful or improve the situation. He was very purposeful and mature for his age, but still loved to have fun and share joy. I loved his helpful spirit. RJ was active without wasted energy.

Love Always, Styron, Patti, and Courtney

BEST FRIEND, Words cannot describe how much I miss you. I feel like I lost my best buddy in this life, my Sir Chubbs. I vividly remember the day you were born; I couldn't have been happier. I would come home any weekend I could just to see you. I used to joke that while I may have kicked off the family as the oldest grandchild, you breathed new life into it. It was like the brightness went up when you were born. You being here challenged each of us to be a better person. I will miss our **Cousin Conversations** the most. I would give anything in this life to have one more, but I will protect your secrets forever.

Watching you grow has been the most beautiful thing to witness; I am beyond heartbroken that I won't get to see more of it. It is an honor and a privilege to be your big cousin, and there won't be a day that goes by that I will not think of you. I hope you know that I love you beyond words. I know that the gates of Heaven swung open to welcome you and that you will make sure everything is set up for all of us when we see you again.

**Love you endlessly,
Boo (Kilyn)**



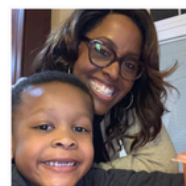
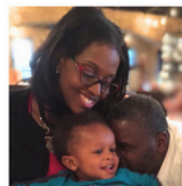
RJ,

Our 1st born nephew, I count it all joy for the short time that God allowed you to grace our family with your presence. I count it all joy to have experienced your beautiful smile and your hugs of love that only you could give. My heart is filled with joy and smiles as I remember the first time you ran into my kitchen to give me a big hug without being coached by your parents. Uncle Larry and I will always treasure the times you visited. We count it all joy.

**Forever Love,
Uncle Larry and Aunt Pat**

Our Loving RJ, You gave us the honor of being an auntie and uncle. From the moment we found out your parents were expecting, our lives were forever changed. You were more than just our neph-neph and teddy bear; you were our first and will always hold a special place in our hearts.

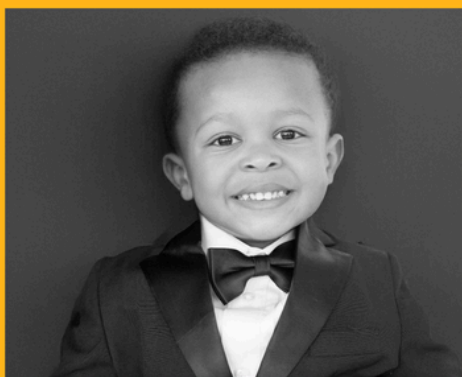
Your kindness, intelligence, and sweet spirit touched everyone who knew you. You were ALWAYS willing to help no matter what we asked. We will never forget your stories at the dinner table, our family game nights and the look in your eyes when we surprised you for your 10th birthday. We are grateful for how compassionate you are, how much you loved God and people, and you will be an example for us to model. We are heartbroken but find comfort in the hope of seeing you again. Love you sweetness! | **Uncle Garry and Aunt Kenya**



Dear RJ, I've cried every day since I got the news, and I swear I can hear your voice telling me to stop being so dramatic. You are so special. You were so mature, but just as silly; quick witted yet still intentional with every word. You were a kid with many layers, and I love every one of them. You're truly one of a kind. You're an amazing cousin, and an even better big brother to Ryan. Even though the world didn't get to see all the creations you would've made as an engineer, you built a huge community of people who love you and feel impacted by your spirit; facilitated just by being you. RJ, Sir Chubbs, my little brother, I will love you and miss you forever, and I'm extremely grateful for the time we had together.

Love, Gabe





Final Arrangements

entrusted to:

Hutchison Funeral Home
6051 E. Seven Mile, Detroit, MI 48234

Interment

Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery
25800 W. 10 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48033

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Statement of Gratitude from the Turner Family

As we navigate through this sudden transition of our beloved son, RJ, we wish to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for the overwhelming love and support we have received from our family, friends, and community. Your prayers, tangible expressions of love, and comforting words have provided us with solace and strength during this challenging period.

To our family, church family, SCS community and friends, your unwavering support has been a beacon of hope for us. Whether through phone calls, visits, messages of encouragement and cherished memories of RJ, your presence has made an impact on our hearts.

We are particularly grateful to our spiritual parents Bishop Keith A. Butler and Pastor Deborah Butler who have walked alongside us every step of the way. Your prayers and support during this time have provided us with comfort and reassurance. In honoring RJ's memory, we encourage everyone to carry forward his faith in Jesus, kindness, curiosity, and compassion. We will continue to build upon his legacy in impactful ways.

***With heartfelt gratitude,
The Turner Family***

LEGACY



For more information on how you can help keep RJ's legacy of love alive, please visit <https://gofund.me/9dbba403> or scan the QR code above. You may also scan the QR code to download a digital obituary booklet.

Thank you!