



Marzavia Klinton Crayton

March 8, 1991 - November 26, 2025

Today we gather to honor and celebrate the life of Marzavia “Zave” Crayton, a man whose presence could brighten even the darkest room. All who knew him agreed that Zave was a dynamic soul, full of wit, warmth, and an unmistakable light. His smile was more than an expression; it was an invitation that made people feel seen, welcomed, and valued. He had a rare ability to blend intelligence with humor, kindness with strength, and love with intentionality. To know him was to feel cared for. To love him was an honor.

Born on March 8, 1991, in Austin, TX to Laverta Crayton and Scottie Fizer Sr., Marzavia carried forward a legacy of resilience and love from the beginning. He attended school here in Austin, where his curiosity and charisma quickly became his hallmarks. During his early years he was baptized at Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church, where he participated in many church activities that helped shape his faith and character.

As he grew, Zave continued to shine both academically and socially. He served as Co-President of the Liberal Arts and Science Academy High School and received many awards and accolades throughout his school years. He also became a spokesperson against domestic violence, using his voice with courage and purpose. His involvement extended across the community through organizations such as Sigma Kappa Phi Multicultural Fraternity Inc., Kudos, the UT Neighborhood Longhorns Program and Outreach as a Junior

Program Assistant, and the Austin Men's and Boys' Conference as a facilitator. He later worked for the American Cancer Society, where his compassion and commitment to service continued to guide his work.

Zave was also gifted creatively. He wrote and released original music, expressing his thoughts, experiences, and heart through his art. His creativity was another way he connected with people and shared pieces of himself that were authentic and meaningful.

He went on to graduate from the University of Texas with a Bachelor's degree in Communication, a fitting path for someone whose greatest gift was connecting with people so effortlessly and sincerely.

On March 20, 2021, Marzavia married the love of his life, AnnaStasha. Together they built a home filled with joy, partnership, laughter, and faith. Their love story grew from deep friendship and unwavering devotion. From that love came two beautiful children: Gianna, age three, and Marley, age two. They were his pride, his joy, and his reason for everything. In the way he cared for them, encouraged them, and dreamed for them, you could see the very best of who he was.

Marzavia was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather and his paternal grandparents, all of whom he loved dearly. Today, as we grieve, he leaves behind a devoted family that includes his wife, his children, his parents, his siblings, many nieces and nephews, countless friends, and all those who were touched by his generosity and spirit. He also leaves behind something enduring: the echo of his laughter, the memory of his compassion, the music he created, and the many lives he brightened simply by being himself.

Although our hearts are heavy, we honor him by carrying forward the light he gave us. We remember his charm, his energy, his brilliance, and the love he

poured into every relationship he held dear. His time with us feels far too short, but the impact he made is lasting. Zave will remain with us in every smile he inspired, in every story we share, and in the legacy of love he planted in his family.

May we hold his memory tenderly and live in a way that reflects the kindness and vibrancy he brought into this world.

May his light continue to guide us.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Public Visitation

DEC 13. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Deliverance Temple COGIC
1607 Dessau Ridge Lane
Austin, TX 78754

Celebration Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Barbara Rainey lit a candle in memory of Marzavia Klinton Crayton*



Barbara Rainey - December 12, 2025 at 11:17 PM

JT

“ *From college, the relays, to shows Tuesday thru Thursday somewhere downtown. Thank you for being a friend!*



Jessika T - December 09, 2025 at 11:18 PM

TW

“ *Teresa Abrone Willis lit a candle in memory of Marzavia Klinton Crayton*



Teresa Abrone Willis - December 08, 2025 at 10:03 AM

AC

“ *Zave was the love of my life. We built a family and a life together and he always said it was the greatest thing he'd ever done. We miss you my love!! Keep watching over us until we meet again.*



anna crayton - December 08, 2025 at 10:02 AM