



*Kenyatta Nayba Blake*

*'Forever in Our Hearts'*

*Sunrise: March 1st, 1970*

*Sunset: March 19th, 2021*

*Born on March 1st, 1970, in Wilmington, Delaware, to Valli Blake and Howard Rochester, Kenyatta Nayba Blake bloomed into a man of many titles: Husband, Father, Dear Ole, Author, Man of God, Servant of the Lord, Athlete, Football Fan, Entrepreneur, Music Enthusiast and Cinephile.*

*On March 19th, 2021, after battling a lengthy illness, Kenyatta was called home to be with the Lord. He is survived by his wife of 27 years and 10 months Dana Morris-Blake, his daughters Sharnea Felix-Martinez, wife of Jaime Felix-Martinez and Prettya Viara Blake, his grandsons Jaime Jr.*

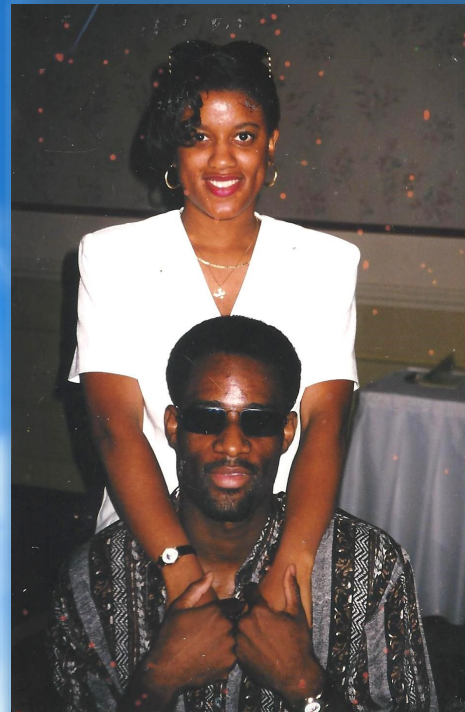


*and Javier Felix-Martinez, his family pet dog Apollo Creed, his parents and a host of family and friends who all love him.*



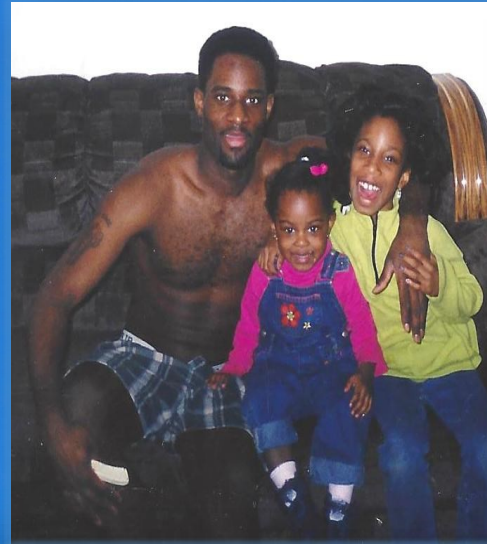
# Husband

*For 27 years and 10 months, Kenyatta dedicated his life to being a loving husband to his wife, Dana; who he called the Bonnie to his Clyde, the Gina to his Martin. A partner in life; for life. He often cited Alicia Key's 2005 hit 'Unbreakable' as a reference for the bond that they shared. His vows to his wife, which were renewed New Year's Eve of 2018, had great meaning to him and went beyond the main expectations.*



## *Father and Dear Ole*

*For Kenyatta, family was everything. He absolutely adored being a 'Girl Dad.' He loved indulging in the interests and activities of his daughters. He was the most supportive and attentive father to his girls, extending an ear, a hug, a kiss, tickles, wisdom and guidance whenever needed. Kenyatta proclaimed himself 'too cool' to be called a 'grandpa' and when he became one opted for the title of 'Dear Ole.' He was the 'bestest' and 'most fun' Dear Ole in the*

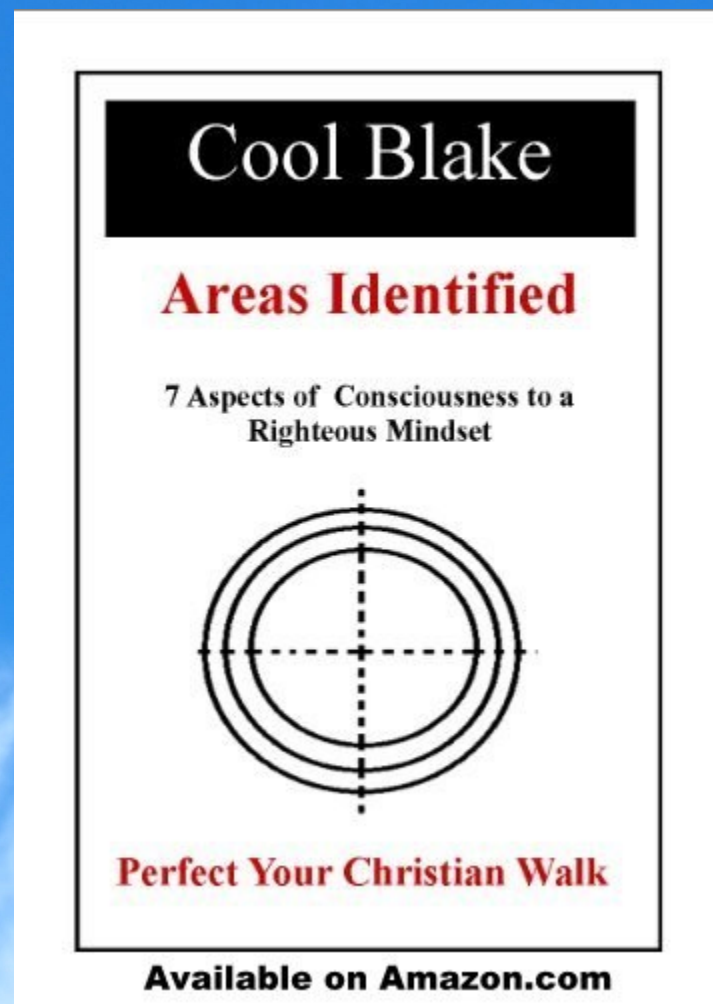


*world. Kenyatta relished in the joy of being a 'Boy Grandfather' to his 'little fellas.'*

## *Author, Man of God, Servant of the Lord*

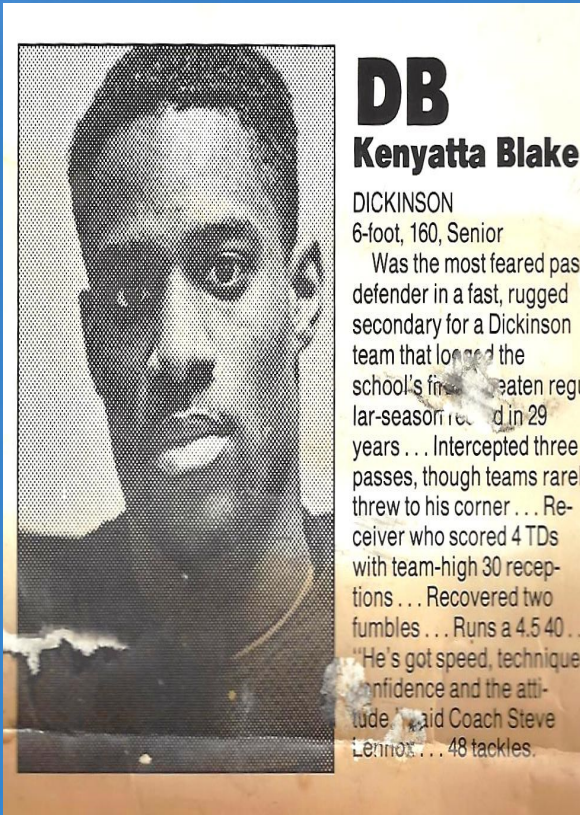
*Kenyatta was an Author, Mighty Man of God and Servant of the Lord. He called himself a soldier in the Army of Christ. He studied the word regularly; knowing God for himself. He created affirmations and acronyms then meditated on them. Kenyatta even decided to write a book which he titled, "Areas Identified: 7 Aspects of Consciousness To A Righteous Mindset." It was important for him to pave the way for others to know Christ and begin their spiritual journey. His favorite scripture which was the foundation for his literary work was Psalm 42: 6-7. He focused on the freeing of the captives; those who didn't know the Word of God. He published a podcast on his*

*YouTube page; another teaching platform which he created. He attended Pot-  
ters House Church of Denver where he volunteered in the Food Bank. He also volunteered for the Denver Rescue Mis-  
sion. As he was dedicated to his family, he was a strong Servant of the Lord just the same.*



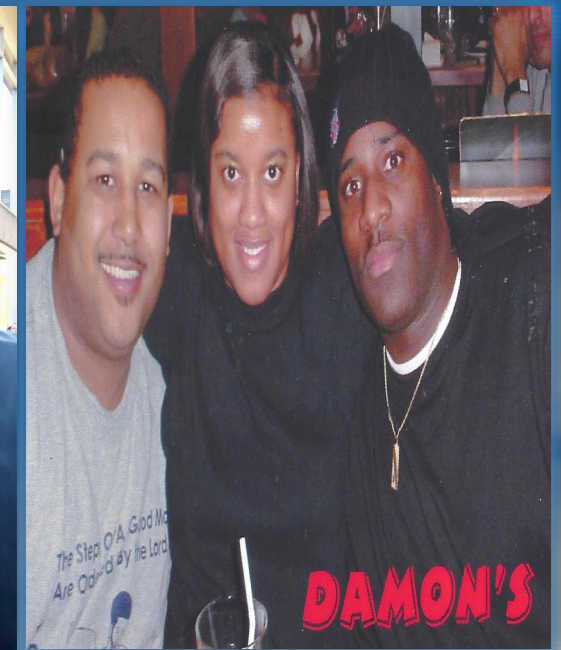
## Athlete and Football Fan

*Kenyatta was a decorated athlete having participated in Football and Track & Field for John Dickinson High School, earning varsity letters, medals*



*and awards for his accomplishments. After graduating high school, he went on to play football for Delaware State College. His love of sports continued well into adulthood with Football Sunday becoming a ritual for him either enjoying the Sunday Ticket at home with a multitude*

*of snacks or joining friends at local sports bars for the festivities. Along with the Denver Broncos, Kenyatta was also an ardent fan of the Denver Nuggets and Colorado Rockies.*



## *Entrepreneur*

*Kenyatta was gifted with working in the Special Needs populations, a gift he discovered during adolescence that followed him into adulthood; where he was found working for several Special Needs companies. Upon moving to Colorado from Delaware, he found employment with Developmental Pathways. It was here that he was presented the opportunity of being an Independent Contractor to run his own Host Home with Laradon Hall; an opportunity that placed him in self-employed status, offering him the freedom to concentrate on his family while still honing his love of service*

*to the Special Needs community.*



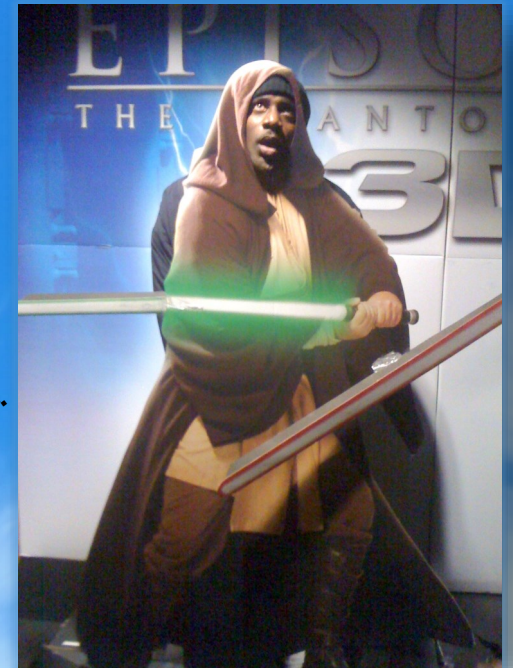
## *Music Enthusiast and Cinephile*

*'That's a hit. Trust me. I know a hit when I hear one.'* Words Kenyatta often said when listening to music with his family. Fan is an understatement; Kenyatta was a complete music enthusiast with a supreme love for hip-hop and the 'occasional rock. He prided himself on his taste and ear which extended beyond the 'golden era of rap' into the new school. Among his favorites included rappers Redman, Rakim, MC Shan, Slick Rick, Run DMC, LL Cool J, Nas,



*The Notorious B.I.G, Jay-Z, Mobb Deep, DMX, Gang Starr, EPMD, J.I.D, Juice Wrld as well as rock bands Guns N' Roses, The Beach Boys and Imagine Dragons.*

*Cinephile: One with a passionate interest in movies. From double features at the drive-in to movies in the park to just Saturday afternoon on the couch, Kenyatta could be found deep into a movie. A lover of films, Kenyatta often watched a one everyday if he could. Among his favorite genres are horror, crime dramas and comedy. His favorite movies were the Beverly Hills Cop film series, Goodfellas, The Town, Under the Cherry Moon, Blue Streak, 16 Blocks, Silence of the Lambs, and the horror classic Halloween.*





# *'The Fantastic Four'*



*Because there are no goodbyes, only until we see you again.*