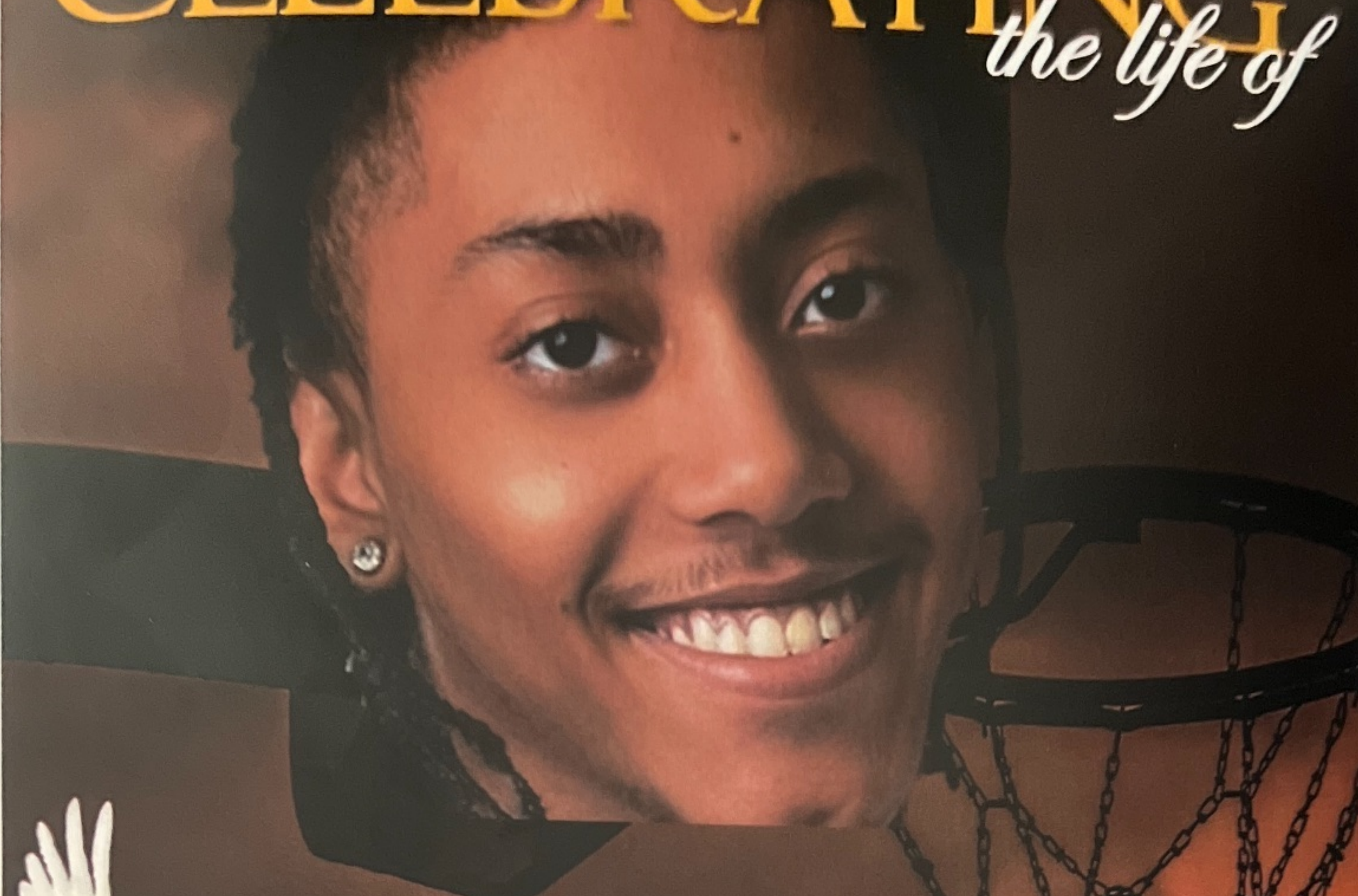


CELEBRATING *the life of*



*Justin*  
ANDREW  
MCCCLAIN

SUNRISE: MAY 12, 2001 - SUNSET: MAY 26, 2024



# ORDER OF *Service*

Sunday, June 9, 2024/3:00 p.m.

**Beulah Baptist Church**

92 Rev. Dr. Jesse V. Bottoms Jr. Way

Poughkeepsie, New York

**Rev. Dr. Jesse V. Bottoms Jr., Officiating**

Musical Prelude

Rev. Tarrence Epps

Opening Hymn

Blessed Assurance

## **Scripture Readings**

Old Testament - Isaiah 6:3

New Testament - Philippians 4:6-7

Deacon Glen Wright

Prayer of Comfort

Minister Anthony Watson

## **Reflections (2 min. each)**

Elijah and Jordan Hansen (best friends) \* Alima Garba (godmother)

## **Family Tribute**

Nina Scott Poellnitz (sister) \* Megan Ann Gomes (mother)

Musical Selection

Rev. Tarrence Epps

Acknowledgements

Rev. Sara Streeter-McRae

Reading of Obituary

Jeremy Gomes (uncle)

## **Remarks**

Musical Selection

Rynard Brown

## **The Spoken Word**

Rev. Dr. Jesse Bottoms

## **Mortician's Colloquy**

## **Recessional**



# JUSTIN'S JOURNEY

Justin Andrew McClain, a beloved son, brother, uncle, and friend, passed away on May 26, 2024, in Anoka, Minnesota, at the young age of 23. Born on May 12, 2001, in Poughkeepsie, NY, he was the cherished son of Megan Ann Gomes and Allan "AJ" McClain Jr., and a loving brother to Nina (Kyle) Scott-Poellnitz, Jaelyn McClain, and Jacob McClain.

Justin was a proud graduate of Poughkeepsie High School, Class of 2019. A passionate basketball enthusiast, he was a student-athlete in the Student Athlete Basketball Program (SABP) at Clinton Elementary School in Poughkeepsie. He played on various team leagues throughout his school years and had the opportunity to attend basketball camps where he met Carmelo Anthony and Iman Shumpert.

From a young age, Justin demonstrated a flair for creativity, cutting and styling his clothes to reflect his unique fashion sense. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he began making masks for his mother, who works in healthcare, and extended his efforts to provide masks for her coworkers and others in the community.

Justin was known for his kind heart and infectious smile, leaving a lasting impact on everyone he met. His talents in fashion and music allowed him to capture the world's beauty through his unique lens, creating cherished memories for his family and friends.

Aspiring to become a Community Outreach Worker, Justin's vision will be honored through the creation of an organization dedicated to perpetuating his legacy.

Justin is survived and deeply missed by his parents, his siblings, his nephew Kaleb Poellnitz, and a close-knit extended family including aunts, uncles, cousins, the many people who have loved him along the way, friends who considered him a brother and his siblings in love, Ascel, EJ, Elise, and Breanna, will also miss him dearly.

Justin's legacy of kindness, laughter, and love will continue to inspire all who knew him. As we bid farewell to this remarkable young man, let us carry forward the light he brought into our lives.

*~ The Clock of Life ~*

*The clock of life is wound but once,  
and no man has the power  
To tell just when the hands will stop  
At late or early hour.  
To lose one's wealth is sad indeed,  
To lose one's health is more,  
To lose one's soul is such a loss  
That no man can restore.  
The present only is our own,  
So live, love, toil with a will  
Place no faith in "Tomorrow"  
For the clock may then be still.*

*~ Acknowledgement ~*

*The family graciously acknowledges the many expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness attended to them during this period of bereavement.*

*Your caring has been a tremendous source of comfort to us.*

*God Bless You.*

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