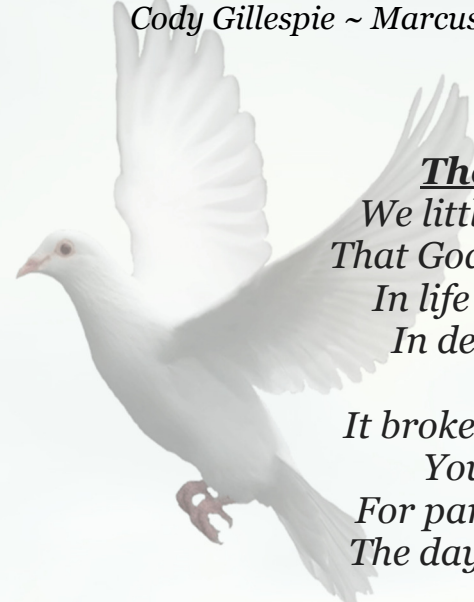


*Acknowledgement*

*The family of Tearicka Cradle would like to express our sincere appreciation for all your love and support during our time of bereavement. Perhaps you sent flowers, whispered a prayer, a card or just kept us in your thoughts, no act has gone unnoticed.*

**PALLBEARERS**

*Sarone Mayes ~ Tony Byrd ~ Carlos Newman ~ Darian Washington  
Cody Gillespie ~ Marcus Jones Jr. ~ Fred Johns ~ Anthony Yates*



**The Broken Chain**

*We little knew that morning  
That God would 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 beautiful memories  
Your love is still our guide  
And although we cannot see you  
You're always by our side*

*Our family chain is broken  
And nothing seems the same  
But as God calls us one by one  
The chain will link again*

To offer condolences to The Cradle Family,  
visit [www.TheChapelofPeace.com](http://www.TheChapelofPeace.com)



IN *Loving*  
*Memory*  
OF



*Fearicka Layon Cradle*

*December 20, 1975 - July 18, 2021*

~Service~

**FRIDAY, JULY 30, 2021 ~ 11:00 AM**

***United House of Prayer***

**1731 Greenway Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio**



# Obituary

Tearicka “Tika” Layon Cradle was a Columbus native, born on December 20, 1975. At the age of 45, Tearicka unexpectedly departed this natural life on July 18, 2021. Tearicka Cradle graduated from Linden Mckinley High School. She then continued to earn both a Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree in business while still pursuing her Doctorate. Tearicka had aspirations of becoming an entrepreneur not only to help herself, but to also be a help to many others. After this long journey she went onto become a Strong community leader.

Tearicka wore many hats; she was a Mother, Daughter, Sister, Aunt, Grandmother and Friend. Through the various positions Tearicka held, she was able to achieve her passion of being a leader, teacher, and mentor to many. Tearicka Cradle worked at Banc One, Columbia Gas, Safelite & Zulily; all of which were steppingstones for her to reach the apex of her career, putting her in the position she loved and was able to truly make a difference in. Which is exactly what she did when she began working with the City of Columbus. While working for the City of Columbus Tearicka had the opportunity of working in various departments such as the Fire Department, the Police Station & many more. Tearicka’s biggest accomplishment was working her way up through Mayor Coleman’s Restoration academy. While being a part of Restoration Academy she took on which would be her first job working for the City of Columbus with Parks and Recreations. While this job is not one that many people may have chosen, Tearicka was up every day no matter what weather conditions varied or any challenges she was faced with for the day. Tearicka was then offered a position to work in the Civil Service Department alongside her Mentor Amy Delong. Tearicka went on to be offered to take over Restoration Academy as the coordinator of the program, where she worked alongside the Mayor and many other City Officials to make changes to the community for everyone as well as to help citizens with a background re-enter the community. After this position she moved on to her last position she would ever hold within the city which led her to Building and Zoning. Tearicka loved spending time with Family and Friends. She had a wonderful sense of humor and kept everyone on their toes laughing, sometimes until we had tears in our eyes.

Tearicka Cradle Joined the United House of Prayer in 2010 with her two children, Sarone & Sierra Mayes. Sis Cradle loved the House of Prayer and was a devoted member, attending services and volunteering in the Madison Soul Food Kitchen regularly. Sis Cradle made herself available to help any of her House of Prayer family when called upon. Tearicka later initiated the joining of her Grandson XaiMir Mayes, to the United House of Prayer.

Tearicka was a loving and dedicated spouse, mother, daughter, grandmother, godmother, sister, auntie and friend to many. Tearicka loved to spend time with her family and friends.

Tearicka Cradle leaves to cherish her memories, husband, Steven Mayes; mothers, Cynthia Cradle and Rosetta Dukes; children, Sarone and Sierra Mayes; sisters, Angela Cradle, Stacy Carey, and Secundra Parker; grandson, XaiMir Mayes; Godchildren, Anthony Yates, Destiny Hall, Heaven and Neveah Ayers; nieces and nephews, Kayla and Jaquez Printup, and Hezekiah Parker; along with a host of cousins and friends.



## May I Go Now?

*May I go now?  
Do you think the time is right?  
May I say goodbye to pain filled days  
and endless lonely nights?  
I've lived my life and done my best,  
an example tried to be.  
So can I take that step beyond  
and set my spirit free?*

*I didn't want to go at first,  
I fought with all my might.  
But something seems to draw me now  
to a warm and loving light.  
I want to go, I really do.  
It's difficult to stay.  
But I will try as best I can  
to live just one more day.*

*To give you time to care for me  
and share your love and fears.  
I know you're sad and afraid,  
because I see your tears.  
I'll not be far,  
I promise that, and hope you'll always know  
that my spirit will be close to you  
wherever you may go.*

*Thank you so for loving me.  
You know I love you too,  
that's why it's hard to say goodbye  
and end this life with you.  
So hold me now just one more time  
and let me hear you say,  
because you care so much for me,  
you'll let me go today.*

## Order of Celebration

OFFICIANT.....Elder S. Coleman, Pastor, UHOP, Columbus OH #2

ORGAN PRELUDE.....Music Ministry

SCRIPTURE READING .....Elder W. Walker, Youth Pastor, Columbus, OH #2

Old Testament.....

New Testament.....

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....Clergy

SELECTION ..... Deacon G. Parker, Charlotte Mother House

SPECIAL REMARKS ..... Special Guest

Special Guest

Christopher Babbs

Speaker

Speaker

SELECTION ..... Deacon G. Walker, Columbus, OH #1

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES .....St. Could, Columbus, OH #1

READING OF OBITUARY ..... Sis Sierra Mayes, Columbus, OH #1

SELECTION .....Deacon Jason Ashford, Columbus, OH #1

## The Eulogy

ELDER M. ASHFORD

Columbus, OH #1

FINAL FAMILY VIEWING ..... Immediate Family

CLOSING PRAYER ..... Clergy

RECESSIONAL.....Clergy, Family & Friends

### Interment

UNION CEMETERY

*I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live.*

*And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*

~John 11:25-26

*Miss Me, But Let Me Go*

*When I come to the end of the road  
And the sun has set for me,  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room  
Why cry for a soul set free!*

*Miss me a little, but not for long,  
And not with your head bowed low.  
Remember the love we once shared,  
Miss me but let me go!*

*For this a journey we all must take,  
And each must go alone;  
It's all a part of the master's plan  
A step on the road to home.*

When you are lonely and sick of heart  
Go to the friends we know,  
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds,  
Miss me, but let me go.



