



## Cory Hayden Johnson

July 30, 1987 - May 5, 2026

Cory Hayden Johnson passed away peacefully at Ricardo Limardo of Puerto Plaza Hospital in The Dominican Republic on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at the age of 38.

Cory was born in Trenton, NJ and grew up in Hamilton Square, NJ during his younger years and spent most of his High School Years in Browns Mills, NJ. He was a 2005 graduate of Pemberton Township High School, before leaving to serve as a U.S. Marine in 2006. He was Honorably discharged in 2011. Shortly after that he began his career in the music industry, where he became an incredibly talented writer, singer, music producer and audio engineer. Cory—known professionally to the music industry as “Skynny”—left an indelible mark on modern hip-hop. Fueled by his passion and signature creativity, his production work earned him elite industry honors, including a coveted Billboard No. 1 Album plaque for his contributions to NBA YoungBoy’s multi-platinum album 'AI YoungBoy 2' (for the track 'Time I'm On') which also earned him a Gold plaque. His gifted ears and sharp beat-making also led to charting success with major artists like “Rich The Kid”, earning many other plaques solidifying his legacy in the music world. Cory was a loving son, brother, and father. He enjoyed life and lived it exuberantly wherever it led him.

Surviving are his Parents, Mother, Sharelle Ryan (Charles), Father, Robert Johnson, his son, Carter Johnson (Carter's Mother, Shanai Curtis), siblings,

Tyler Johnson and Tiffani Belle Johnson. Step-siblings, Charles Ryan (Stephanie), Tracey Darville (Kenny), and Lisa Ryan. Surviving Grandparents are Lewis Matthews, Jere Johnson and Anne Broadhead. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephew and many friends.

Cory's Memorial Service will be a held privately.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I am sorry for your loss. My heart hurts for all who loved him.*  
*Maria*

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