



Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near.
So loved, so missed,
So very dear.



**OFFICER
ANTHONY DIA**

APPOINTED: JULY 27, 2018
END OF WATCH: JULY 4, 2020

Anthony “Tony” Hussein Dia

Anthony “Tony” Hussein Dia was born on January 6, 1994 in Toledo, Ohio to Younes “Tony” Dia and Gina Long. He married his wife Jayme on April 29, 2012 and together they have two sons, Younes and Maytham Dia. Anthony graduated from Owens Community College and started his career in law enforcement with Mercy Police. On July 27, 2018 he was appointed to the Toledo Police Department.

One word that many use to describe Anthony is loyal. He was also known for his kind heart and passion in everything that he did. No matter what he was doing, he gave his all. Anthony was passionate about Jiu Jitsu and was a member of the Toledo Jiu Jitsu Center. He also coached his sons in wrestling. Everyone who knew him understood he loved animals, especially pit bulls.

His life revolved around his family and he was a true family man. His last words over the air were, “Tell my family I love them.” In his last moments, he solidified his devotion to his family. Anthony was also a proud Muslim and devoted to his Islamic and Arabic heritage. Everyday Anthony expressed how much he loved being a police officer and wanted to make the world a better place. He left an imprint on everyone's heart and will always be remembered as a hero.

He is survived by his wife Jayme, sons Younes and Maytham, mother Gina Long (Frank Hoover), father Younes “Tony” Dia (Jehan Dia), sister Layla Dia, brother Ali Haidar, step-siblings Jesse, Zane (Chelsie) and Mercedes Hoover, aunts Susie and Nada Dia, uncle Ahmed and numerous cousins. He is preceded in death by his grandfather Ed Long and grandmother Zeinab Dia.

ORDER OF SERVICE

July 7, 2020

John F. Savage Arena

2025 N. Douglas Rd., Toledo, OH 43606

Welcome and Introduction: Lieutenant Kellie Lenhardt

Reading of Poem: Detective Andre Cowell

Reading of Letter: Moustafa Rahal

Message and Sharing: Sayed Al Qazwini

Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz

Chief George Kral

Final Radio Call

Final Prayer

Procession to: **Toledo Memorial Park**

6382 Monroe St. Sylvania, OH 43560

Words by Sayed Al Qazwini

Rifle Salute

Taps

Flag Folding Ceremony

Riderless Horse

Lay to Rest