

Bobby Brown 'broken' after tragic death of daughter

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ATLANTA, Ga. — R&B singer Bobby Brown said Monday that his daughter, Bobbi Kristina Brown, was "an angel" and that the family must find a way to honor her memory.

Bobbi Kristina, the daughter of Brown and singer Whitney Houston, died Sunday in hospice care, six months after she was found face down in a bathtub in her suburban Atlanta town-home. Authorities are investigating her death.

"Krissey was and is an angel," her father said in a statement. "I am completely numb at this time. My family must find a way to live with her in spirit and honor her memory. Our loss is unimaginable."

Bobbi Kristina had been hospitalized for months in Atlanta, eventually being placed in hospice care, after being found in a manner grimly similar to the way her mother died three years earlier.

A police report earlier this year described the incident as a drowning. In a statement Monday, the Fulton County Medical Examiner's Office said an autopsy would be needed to evaluate what led to the death of Bobbi Kristina, but the time that has elapsed since the autopsy will complicate the investigation.



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"Interpretation of autopsy findings and other information will also be challenging," the medical examiner's office said. "However, an autopsy could be helpful to address questions which may arise about the cause of her unresponsiveness and eventual death."

"She is finally at peace in the arms of God. We want to again thank everyone for their tremendous amount of love and support during these last few months," Kristen Foster, a Houston family representative said Sunday.

Nick Gordon, who shared her town-home with her, said, at the time it seemed Bobbi Kristina wasn't breathing and lacked a pulse before help arrived.

"The Roswell Police Department continues its investigation into the circumstances preceding and surrounding the time of the original incident leading to her death," the medical examiner said.

Born and raised in the shadow of fame and litigation, shattered by the loss of her mother, Bobbi Kristina was overwhelmed by the achievements and demons of others before she could begin to figure out who she was.

Bobbi Kristina, the sole heir of her mother's estate did have dreams. She identified herself on Twitter as "Daughter of Queen WH," "Entertainer/Actress" with William Morris & Co., and "LAST of a dying breed." She told Oprah Winfrey shortly after her mother's death in 2012 that she wanted to carry on her mother's legacy by singing, acting and dancing. But her career never took off.

She became a social media sensation, sending more than 11,000 tweets and attracting 164,000 followers.

As the news of her death spread across social media, several celebrities tweeted their condolences.

"Empire" star Taraji P. Henson tweeted, "Rest in heaven."

Winfrey tweeted, "Peace at Last!"

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