



Mr. James Dillard Cloyd, Jr.

February 14, 1955 - August 4, 2020

No obituary found for this tribute.

Cemetery Details

Detroit Memorial Park West

25200 Plymouth Road
Redford Twp., MI 48239

Previous Events

Family Hour

Thursday, Aug. **13**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Kadesh Full Gospel Baptist Church
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Dillard Cloyd, Jr.*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM

SR

“ I was pretty much married to Jimmy for ten years, and the thing I liked the very best about him was that he was almost always in a good or positive mood. If he wasn't, all I had to do was remind him of something funny that happened or something one of the dogs did, and he was ready to laugh. He was ornery sometimes after his medical issues and chronic pain, and those who met him after don't know how cheerful and unornery he used to be. Once I was talking to 2 clerks in the music store and one said to the other, You know James Cloyd! The guy that's interminably happy!

Jimmy gave all he had, which was pretty much love and music and not a lot else, but that was more than enough. He loved his sisters most of all, each for their unique personalities and extremely gifted talents. And he mentioned one of his friends with joy every single time he opened his mouth. His stories were not to be believed, until you checked, and then you found out they were true. He had an appreciation of the world and its people that was broader and more inclusive than anyone I know.

He used to take our 5 dogs out in the front yard all at once, and loved to tell about going out in in his sweats and tshirt and nothing else, and Mustang Sally jumping up and pulling down his pants. He truly loved Sally. But he loved everyone's pets equally too.

He loved seeing someone he knew. Anyone, anywhere.

And let's not forget wrestling. Altho not as much wrestling as heckling his wrestling friends. And enunciating their stage names.

And yes Jimmy liked to eat some of your food. Not as much because he was hungry, I think, as a form of breaking bread with you. To him, it was ALL consecrated.

Sharon Remington - August 13, 2020 at 03:44 PM

MT

“ So sad to see you go James; no more suffering, your strength was always an inspiration to me. You will be missed, rest in peace.

Michael Tobin - August 13, 2020 at 02:46 PM

ME

“ Oh how we are hurting on the passing of our cousin JamesCloyd Jr. May you rest in Blues Haven with the Angels.



Myra Ellis - August 12, 2020 at 11:30 PM

AN

“ I am so honored to have been acquainted with James. He was such a kind, loving and humble man. A real gentle giant. Thursday's at the Crystal will just never be the same without him jamming there. Although he will always be there in spirit. A truly legendary music icon, who will always be remembered for his sense of humor, wit and huge heart. Rock on James you will always have a place in my heart. See you upstairs in heaven, save me a front row seat. We can either watch some musicians or wrestlers it's your choice!

Your forever "Blues Buddy" Andrew

Andrew - August 12, 2020 at 06:47 PM

SL

“ My earliest memory of Jimmie is of him sitting out on the front porch of the family home on Prairie street listening to music from all over the world on a shortwave - or the modern equivalent - of a satellite radio. And even though he listened to all kinds of music it was his Father who instilled in him a deep love of the Blues. I was so lucky enough to have last heard him play July 3rd. He was classic James Cloyd. The band was tight, he told stories of his travels, told stories of the people he met, and he cautioned the ladies not to rush the stage. I already miss him so very much.

Steve Lockhart - August 12, 2020 at 06:15 PM

JS

“ James played with the band Energy back in the 70's and he always kept us laughing. Awesome bass player and was known in the band as Mr Wonderful. You will be missed
Juan Strayham

Juan Strayham - August 12, 2020 at 02:36 PM

JS

“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



Juan Strayham - August 12, 2020 at 02:32 PM

JS

“ 3 files added to the album *Energy Band*



Juan Strayham - August 12, 2020 at 02:26 PM

LW

“ *James Cloyd was a childhood friend! Praying for the family! James will definitely be missed.*



Lonetta Walls - August 12, 2020 at 11:57 AM

MJ

“ *I will always have memories of our youth. We lost touch but we reconnected on Facebook. We had great laughs catching up. You will be sorely missed, but I will hold your music in my head. Rest Peacefully my friend, the fight and pain is over*



Michele Jackson - August 12, 2020 at 07:46 AM

AP

“ I first met James about 30 years ago when I was playing guitar at a jam session in Chicago. After talking to him for a short time I immediately liked him. He was open, funny and genuine. Traits you don't find very often in musicians. Then he got on stage and played and...Wow! All that personality plus monster talent. We don't get to meet and know enough really good people. That's why this is such a loss. I, my wife Beverly and a lotta people are gonna miss him, but we'll never forget him. Take your rest, my friend...see you later.

Anthony Palmer - August 12, 2020 at 01:06 AM

PS

“ I've known James for 19 years and I'm a better person for knowing him all I can say it was a blue day for the Blues when we lost mr. Cloyd God bless you Jimmy may you rest in peace

Paul savage - August 11, 2020 at 06:47 PM