



## Mr. Joe Van Howard, III

January 26, 1964 - March 27, 2008

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## Visitation

Friday, Apr. 4. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joe Van Howard, III*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Hey Kathy,*

*I know this message is so late coming. Know that I love you and Joe. You guys hold a special key to my heart. Thank you for always asking about my brother. Thank you for caring for others, not just in words but also with your actions. Joe will be missed but the both of you will always be loved and thought of with the highest regards.##imported-begin##Denise Johnson (D'nise Jonson##imported-end##*

April 23, 2008 at 10:51 AM



“ *To the family of Joe Howard I'm so sorry for your lost Joe was a good man.he will be missed.We love you uncle Joe. Love, Janyra and Jason Howard.##imported-begin##Carol Armstead##imported-end##*

April 05, 2008 at 08:44 PM



“ God truly has picked one of his best flowers to return to him. Joe was like a big brother to me. He was always very forward and I loved the mischevious smile when he and I would go into a workshop to cause the presenter grief. As we knew they were stuck on theirselves and didn't want to listen to other views. It was our job to keep them on their toes. Catherine, I thank God for you being the wife and woman that you are and representing Proverbs 31 - a woman who takes care of her husband and family. I'm here for you always.##imported-begin##Selvy##imported-end##

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April 05, 2008 at 09:04 AM



“ Kathy,  
The love we've shared with you and Joe is immeasurable. Kathy God has a time for everything and everyone. Joe your time in our realm was complete. You brought us love, joy, warmth, and guidance in the time of need. You, Joe, will be surely missed. However, your voice in spirit will live on forever. Kathy, we love you!!!

Darlene & Glenn##imported-begin##Darlene Carter-  
Peppers##imported-end##

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April 05, 2008 at 07:58 AM



“ *To Kathy and the Entire Howard Family:*

*Joe will be truly missed. I only knew him to have that kind, quiet demeanor and wonderful voice!*

*God is with you and when you put your trust in Him, He will take care of you.*

*God Bless You All.*

*Greta Scott*

*(Karaoke Family)###imported-begin###Greta Scott###imported-end##*

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April 04, 2008 at 07:20 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Joe. I just wanted you to know that I am praying for you and your family. He is up in heaven singing up a storm. Know that everything is going to be ok and God has the plan.*

*I love you and may God continue to bless you.###imported-begin###Rochelle###imported-end##*

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April 04, 2008 at 06:46 PM



“ There aren't enough words to express how i feel about Joe's passing...He was truly loved by his entire karaoke family. I loved to hear him sing those real high notes and then turn around and sing those bass notes.(boy was i jealous)...he was a gifted singer...and I was blessed to have known him. He will truly be missed. My deepest sympathy to Kathy and family. I regret not being able to make the services due to an out of town engagement, but my thought and prayers will be with you.  
Love Always..LISY###imported-begin##LISY###imported-end##

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April 04, 2008 at 06:03 PM



“ Dearest Kathy & family, We have lost touch in recent years, but I have very fond memories of you and Joe at karaoke (Athens, Riverfront, etc.)where we always enjoyed a few laughs. Joe not only had a great voice, but one of the brightest smiles I have ever seen. I know he's singing with the angels. Tony T. is working in Hawaii and I will tell him of Joe's passing next time we talk. Kathy, I know first-hand the loss you feel as I lost my husband last June. Take comfort in the Lord and the love of family and friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you always.###imported-begin##Ann Hamilton (karaoke friend)###imported-end##

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April 04, 2008 at 05:34 PM



“ My prayers are with the family. It was a great pleasure to meet and sing with Joe. He will be missed.###imported-begin##Amando Amando###imported-end##

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April 04, 2008 at 11:43 AM



“ TO THE FAMILY: WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY  
YOU ARE IN MY PRAYERS. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. LOVE  
NITA##imported-begin##ARNITA LESTER (NITA)##imported-end##

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April 04, 2008 at 11:39 AM



“ Dear Kathy,

*My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family upon the loss of Joe. May the Lord continue to wrap His Loving arms around you today, tomorrow, and always....He will be with you in your time of need. Just call on the Lord and He will give you strength. With Love, Abundant Blessings, and Prayers Jackie##imported-begin##Jackie Donaldson ##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2008 at 04:27 PM



“ Joe I will miss your voice but God will hear You sing. To your family I give my sincere support and Love.

*B.T. Baker##imported-begin##Bruce T. Baker(BT)##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2008 at 02:41 PM



“ *To the Howard Family:  
We are blessed because Joe passed our way. His friendship and his committment to others will not soon be forgotten. May God grant you the peace that passes all understanding. In deepest sympathy,*

*Silas Norman, Jr., M.D.  
Board President, The Community health Awareness Group,  
Inc.##imported-begin##Silas Norman, Jr., M.D.##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2008 at 02:31 PM



“ *Keeping you in my prayers##imported-begin##Anthony Harris##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2008 at 02:17 PM



“ *Exspressing sympathy is always difficult, but all we can say is how sorry we are for your loss. May the comfort of family, friends and your memories be your strength now and in the future ahead. Our deepest sympathy. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. As you know I'm unable to be at the funeral due to me being on the road with the temptations performing but you will be in my heart all the way. We Love You Kathy God Bless. Paul & Lynique Williams & Family.##imported-begin##Paul Williams Jr & Family##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2008 at 12:50 PM



“ A true flower has blown away from us but we must all remember that GOD has never, not once, made a mistake of any kind. So with that in mind, know that this is a part of GOD'S perfect will and that though he sleeps right now we will see him again on the other side. May GOD bless and keep you in your time of sorrow. I will keep the family lifted up in prayer.

*Lisa##imported-begin##Lisa Hubbard##imported-end##*

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April 03, 2008 at 11:40 AM



“ My prayers and deepest condolences go out to you Kathy. I will miss my friend and mentor.##imported-begin##Donald Davis##imported-end##

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April 02, 2008 at 08:54 PM



“ My deepest condolences to the Howard family in their time of need. I knew Joe through the karaoke family, and can say he will be truly missed. Kathy keep your head up and keep the faith. Rashonda Bradford##imported-begin##Rashonda McClinton-Bradford##imported-end##

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April 02, 2008 at 02:31 PM



“ Our sincerest condolences to the family in their loss. Joe was a good friend, great singer and will be truly missed by all. Our prayers are with you during this time.

Much love,

Mike Seville & the entire Phase 5 family##imported-begin##Mike Seville##imported-end##

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April 02, 2008 at 08:31 AM



“ Joe was a beautiful person. I met him and his wife Katherine when he came back to Detroit and began speaking again on the Positive Perspective speakers bureau. He has touched so many lives in a positive light and has truly been a blessing to many! I'm thankful to have shared a friendship with him. Peace & Blessings to his family.

Jerelle Moseley  
Michigan AIDS Fund##imported-begin##Jerelle Moseley##imported-end##

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April 01, 2008 at 04:24 PM



“ Throughout these difficult times, may the love of Christ be with you. May his spirit comfort you and your family during this time.##imported-begin##Gunar Robinson##imported-end##

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April 01, 2008 at 04:19 PM



“ Greetings In the name of Jesus!

*It is with great sympathy I offer to the Howard Family that God will up hold you in your dear time of sorrow, but rather know that there's no sorrow that heaven cannot heal for the one he's lifted to heaven has been a personal blessing even to myself. For being a friend to me in a very serious time of need when trouble enter my life that I thought I couldnt handle, however I found out God would send some one and the man he sent was Joe Howard a true friend and brother. God bless & keep you all is my earnest prayer.##imported-begin##Rev. Alonzo Jones##imported-end##*

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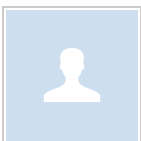
April 01, 2008 at 03:09 PM



“ Strength to you Kathy. Joe and I worked at MDCH at the at the same time and I always appreciated his honesty.##imported-begin##David Rupprecht##imported-end##

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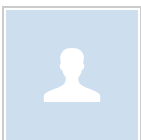
April 01, 2008 at 12:25 PM



“ This is a very sad day for any ASO that have had the pleasure of working with Joe or attending one of his training. My prays goes out to his family.##imported-begin##Cassandra Thomas##imported-end##

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April 01, 2008 at 11:26 AM



“ Sending out blessing to the family for your sorrow at this time, but thou look to the hills from whence cometh your help, for it come from the Lord, may the love og God be with you at all times.##imported-begin##Lonnie Sims##imported-end##

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April 01, 2008 at 12:39 AM



“ DEar Kathy:

*I am so sorry for your loss. I will always think of Joe with that grin he'd get when he was about to speak a truth. I cherished working with him here at HAPIS, having him as a friend, visiting him when I went to Greektown, and having him be a part of the HPLS planning committee recently. the man could make me laugh until I cried; I wish him peace now in Heaven, and send you my love and the love of God. Blessed be.##imported-begin##Lisa Taton-Murphy##imported-end##*

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March 31, 2008 at 11:25 AM



“ To the Family

*Words can never console the lose of a loved one. I will truly miss Joe. He was a gentleman and a very caring person. I know we will all miss his versitile vocals. It was a pleasure to have known him. Be strong and remember we all love you.  
Love Rockydoll##imported-begin##ROXNNE (ROCKYDOLL)  
HOUSTON##imported-end##*

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March 31, 2008 at 10:27 AM



“ Life is so unreal at times. I can remember the first time I met you, Joe and Kathy at a restaurant on Gr. River. I used to sit with you and your family and we had good times. Thanks for including me in your lives with your family. You have helped me through the rough times just by hearing you sing. Keep singing. Sonia##imported-begin##Sonia##imported-end##

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March 31, 2008 at 08:45 AM



“ Thank you Joe and Kathy, I remember all the times at Athens Bar and Grill. I considered you both my adoptive parents. You both looked out for me on many occasions, and I love you both. Joe, I will miss you, please keep your eyes on me. Oh and thank you for giving me the name "songbird." Love you, and I will miss you.

*"Songbird"###imported-begin###Andrea Kolb###imported-end##*

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March 30, 2008 at 06:05 PM



“ Hi Kathy,

*I am truly sorry for your loss. I will miss him singing at Vivio's. You will be continually in my prayers. God Bless!!###imported-begin###Alana ###imported-end##*

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March 30, 2008 at 08:19 AM



“ My prayers and condolences to the family.###imported-begin###Kkena###imported-end##

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March 29, 2008 at 04:38 PM



“ My deepest and sincerest condolences..###imported-begin###Big Larry###imported-end##

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March 29, 2008 at 12:56 PM



“ Unfortunately, I will out of town and will be unable to attend any of the homegoing ceremonies.

*My prayers go with the family. I'm sure Joe out of pain and is singing with the heavenly quartet or choir. We will miss his versital voice.*

*LeRoy Bostic from Thrill###imported-begin##LeRoy Bostic###imported-end##*

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March 29, 2008 at 11:32 AM