



Mr. Lancelot Whidby

June 29, 1955 - July 27, 2008

No obituary found for this tribute.

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Aug. **1.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
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Service

Saturday, Aug. **2.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Lomax Temple AME Zion Church
17441 Dequindre
Detroit, MI 48212

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Lancelot Whidby*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Love you and miss you. I'm always telling the kids about how cool and funny their Grandfather was. From Your Son Gigi*

gigi - November 01, 2017 at 02:42 AM



“ *I miss my brother Landis (that's the name I grew up calling him) I miss his laughter, and hearing about his day. I was so proud of him, he had turned his life completely around. He loved his job at On Starr and being an uncle to his nephews and nieces. I miss my brother. Vanessa*

vanessa - July 11, 2014 at 11:49 AM



“ *This is Angelque, Lance neice. I know you are smiling down from heaven, just wanted to say I love you brother. and Josh does too!!!##imported-begin##Angelque Whidby##imported-end##*

August 07, 2008 at 04:18 PM



“ After saying my last goodbye, I found myself a little jealous on Monday that Lance is no longer in a position to worry about anything or anybody, fret or experience any fear, be ill or have pain, need to work, or experience any bad or horrible situation here on earth ever again. HE is at PEACE with GOD and I'm very happy one day I'll see him again. I miss him so much being around me. I'm just so glad I had the chance to meet some of his lovely family and pay my respect on Friday and Saturday. Comfort will keeps us whole. God bless!
Elizabeth##imported-begin##Elizabeth Davis##imported-end##

August 06, 2008 at 03:02 PM



“ Just letting the family know that you are in my prayers and thoughts. God will give you comfort during this difficult time. Lance was loved and enjoyed by many at OnStar!##imported-begin##Demetra Jones##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 06:37 PM



“ While I did not work with Lance every day the times when our paths crossed were always a positive and uplifting experience for me. Even on the phone you could hear Lance smiling! In reading the comments from others who worked daily with him it is clear that Lance made a lasting impact on everyone and will be greatly missed and fondly remembered. His family should be proud of Lance for positively touching so many people during his life.##imported-begin##Mark Nosal##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 04:51 PM



“ I will always remember you making me laugh every time i saw you at Onstar (MOP). You will truely be missed.##imported-begin##Tiffany Orr##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 12:34 PM



“ I will always remember you making me laugh every time i saw you. You will truely be missed##imported-begin##Tiffany Orr##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 12:30 PM



“ I would first like to express my heartfelt sympathy to the Whidby family on your loss of such a great person. I too worked with Lance, first side by side on the EE team and then as a fellow OSM. Lance was a true gentle man. I enjoyed our friendship, our parking lot chats as well as our walks around MOP on breaks. It seems like only yesterday we were in Washington and Lance and I were driving out to see his family in Virginia. I know he loved his family as we used to joke about his visits to see his mother on fridays as most of us were going to do other things not so constructive. He was my go to guy on the job. If ever there was a problem to be fixed Lance knew the who, what, when and where to get the task done. I will miss that "Hey, Man" he greeted you with and that laugh that would make even the hardest soul break out into a chuckle. The world has lost one of the true good guys. I know though that he is in a better place and probably being the person he was here. So its so long for now my friend, not good bye, because we will meet again and pick up right where we left off...until then farewell##imported-begin##Stewart M Watts##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 10:37 AM



“ I was sitting here thinking about coming to Onstar and being trained by Lance. Just remembering how he would say " do this like me". I've gone on but I find myself still trying to do it like him. making relationships that last, giving people advise that will not only help in the work place, but also in life.. Lance I will truly miss you. Thank God for the blessing that is you and may God bless the Whidby family with peace and love.###imported-begin##James Shanks###imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 09:31 AM



“ Our prayers and deepest sympathy are with the entire Whidby family in the passing of our dear brother in Christ. We enjoyed fellowshiping with Lance each Sunday at Church. His sincere dedication to our Church will be missed. He was a blessing to many. May God keep you all strong. Sammy & Elaine Pace###imported-begin##Sammy & Elaine Pace###imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 08:50 AM



“ Lance worked at OnStar for at least as long as I have, and I was in Customer Care and XM as I recall, with him, from the beginning. He always had a kind nature and accepted everything, all the stress and even the fun, in stride. He saw and told the truth about situations and so as a result he never complained because he didn't seem to feel it did any good, but rather took on all that was expected of him and was glad to advance to the OnStar Sales Manager Team. He was level-headed and friendly, but soft-spoken in a way that made everything he said to me seem confidential. He got a kick out of everyday things at the office, and recently due to our new location's seating arrangements he walked past me every day, sometimes several times a day, so we were able to be friendly again. That is not easily accomplished because of the nature of our work, so it is nice to get to be near co-workers who you are acquainted with from the past, like Lance, once again. Lance was a class act from start to finish. He was not prejudiced. He was kind. He was professional and mature. He was good, in my opinion, through and through, so when he passed I was very shocked and deeply upset because it was completely unexpeced. Today I went out for lunch and was nice to people I don't usually talk much to, because Lance was friendly and that always made the day better. Now I am beginning to see how important it is to be, and do, and say things in the now because someone might not be there tomorrow. Thank you, Lance, for your smiles and kind ways. You are missed! Lord willing, I will see you and talk to you again in Heaven one fine day! A-men.##imported-begin##Cathy##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 03:57 AM



“ *It was a pleasure knowing Lance and working with him for almost 7 years. He always had a smile on his face and within minutes he would have me laughing and smiling with him. I never worked in the same department that he did, but would always see him outside smoking and that's how we met. He was definitely a unique person, a valuable asset to OnStar, and a joy to be around. I was shocked and saddened to hear of his passing but feel better knowing he is in a much better place. He will be truly missed. To the Whidby Family, my thoughts and prayers are with you. May God bless you and give you strength.*##imported-begin##Stephanie Williamson##imported-end##

August 02, 2008 at 02:37 AM



“ *To the family of Lance:*

I was a bit surprised to hear that Lance passed on. I enjoyed working with him and sometimes called him "Sir Lancelot", not realizing that is his real name, apparently.

You have my sympathy and will be in my thoughts during the coming months.

I also wish you the best during this challenging time.

Mike Hudock

Worked with Lance at OnStar##imported-begin##Mike Hudock##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 09:53 PM



“ I was fortunate to have had Lance as a co-worker at OnStar. Although we did not work together much, his uplifting attitude was a great help to us all. I spoke with him on Friday and could see he was not well. The last thing I said to him was that I hope he felt better. Never thought at the time that God might take him home this soon to accomplish that. Our thoughts and prayers are with ALL his family and friends. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Clyde S##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 05:55 PM



“ I've known Lance ever since i came to ODC. Was once my mentor became a friend.Lance had very humerous ways that would make us all laugh. There were never a time where me and last would have any problems.Which is a compliment to his character.Lance you were a great co-worker and heck of a friend. You will be missed.##imported-begin##Mr. Randy Whitehead##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 04:53 PM



“ I only had the pleasure of knowing Lance for 1 year but he left a huge impression on my life. Even during the toughest and busiest of times I knew that when I called Lance he would listen and help. I never heard Lance say he was too busy to help. Thanks for reminding me of how a great co-worker and a true friend are supposed to act. You will not be forgotten.##imported-begin##David Hutchison##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 04:52 PM



“ My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Matilda Ware##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 03:35 PM



“ I will miss you Lance.
My prayers are with your family.
May God Bless You##imported-begin##Joy Harrison##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 03:32 PM



“ To the family of Lance, It is with sadness in my heart that I send to you my thoughts and prayers for your loss. Lance was a one of a kind, wonderful man. He knew exactly what to say to make you smile and to laugh. He was a pleasure to work with and I always looked forward to seeing him at all of our South Central team meetings. He was there whenever I needed him and I know that everyone will miss him greatly. I hope the love that he shared with everyone around him helps you through this difficult time.##imported-begin##Nikole Rowe##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 03:12 PM



“ I was very saddened to hear that Lance had passed away. He was always very polite and helpful to me while I was at Onstar. He was always the "go to guy" in regard to any questions I had about Dealer Center issues. Lance will truly be missed. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family and friends at this time. Peace be with you.
Sincerely,
Scott & Sandie Biggs###imported-begin##Scott Biggs###imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 03:09 PM



“ I am a co-worker of lance, I knew him for only a short time, but it was certainly a pleasure to have had the opportunity to met such a loving person, my prayers go out to him and his family.###imported-begin##Henry Smith###imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 02:41 PM



“ My deepest condolence goes out to the family and all that knew and came in contact with my true friend Lance Whidby. I worked closely with him for over 2 years and cherished all the stories and advise that he provided. Everytime life or the job got stressful he had a joke or something thoughtful to lighten the mood and let me know everything was alright. My friend you will sincerely be missed and one day I'm sure we will cheer plenty more laughs and stories. May God bless you.###imported-begin##Leighton Kelly###imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 11:06 AM



“ To the family of Lance Whidby. We were all truly blessed to know and love Lance. I have had the pleasure of working with Lance a little over two years at OnStar. And in that time he has been a tremendous help to me and so many others. As I read over all the kind words that so many of his friends and co-workers have posted; I think Lance would be truly humbled and amazed about how he has enriched all of our lives. Lance you will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Kristin Magill - South Central Team Member in Dallas, Texas.##imported-begin##Kristin Magill##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 08:36 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Lance was an absolutely great guy, and I feel fortunate to have met him.

He was a very kind, humble and insightful man with a great sense of humor.

Those of us that knew him for awhile lovingly called him "Smooth Daddy".

I enjoyed the conversations we had very much.

I will miss him a lot.

May God bless you.##imported-begin##John Devine##imported-end##

August 01, 2008 at 07:34 AM



“ I am a former Onstar co-worker of Lance. I used to pick with him all the time because he never could find his lighter. I used to say, "how are you a smoker and you can never find your lighter?" Even though it's been some yrs. since I've seen Lance, he will be truly be missed.##imported-begin##Michelle Griffin##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 11:15 PM



“ May bless your family##imported-begin##Kenlyn Hooks ##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:25 PM



“ Mr. Whidby was one of my former dental patients. I prayer that the Lord makes each day a little easier for your family.##imported-begin##Dr. Kristi Sutton-Thomas##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:55 PM



“ I have known Lance since 2000 at the OnStar Center. He was a great person. Work will not be the same without him, but indeed he is in a better place. With more jokes, stories, and even change in his pocket. Everyone may not have known him well, but they knew who he was at OnStar. My prayers are with his family and friends during this time.....##imported-begin##Jessica Burk##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:40 PM



“ I knew lance for about 4 years and considered him a good friend. We met at onstar where I was a GM TAC Rep. Lance always had a smile and a joke to tell. My prays to the family...##imported-begin##Kevin Stephens##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:27 PM



“ I've know Lance for as long as he has worked at OnStar. He wasn't just another co-worker...he was a friend. I have nothing but good memories of him. He has shared so many good times, good conversations, laughter, jokes, advice. I always knew Lance to be a friendly, funny, positive, intelligent man. Everyone knew and loved Lance. OnStar will never be the same without him. I can't begin to think how much I will miss him. I pray that his family and friends have the strength to get thru this time. I hope it helps to know how much we loved him at OnStar.##imported-begin##Krista Maday##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:26 PM



“ To the Whidby family, I shared in your loss. Lance was truly a man among men. I've work with Lance at least 6 or 7 years. Whenever one of my dealers would have a problem, I would wait until evening to call just so I could talk to Lance. When he answered the phone I knew everything would be alright. He would learn your voice and you did not have to identify yourself. I can not recall a problem that Lance did not have the answer to or could not fix. Lance was one person that I wish could have been duplicated. When Lance was assigned to South Central region, I told it did not matter,I had his phone number and I still was going to call him. His reponse was "Shelia you can call me anytime." I will miss him as a co-worker, but mostly I will miss him as a friend.

May the peace of God comfort you during this time.##imported-begin##Shelia B. Judge##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:22 PM



“ To the family of Lance be strong and stick together. My prayers are with you all. I had the pleasure of working with Lance at OnStar prior to moving to Atlanta, there was never a dull moment with him around. He will defiantly be missed!!##imported-begin##LaToya Watson##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 07:29 PM



“ I was deeply saddened to hear of Lance's passing. He was such a sweet man and was always willing to help. He will be greatly missed.

With deepest sympathy,
Cara##imported-begin##Cara Hathcock##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 06:59 PM



“ It has been a great pleasure knowing Mr. Lance Whidby I worked with him for almost 3 years in Onstar (Onstar Dealer Center) & he always kept me smiling & filled with laughter everyday he was at work.. He was so forgetful at the end of the day that we had to make a list of things that he needed before he left for the day, & he'd still forget something. He will be missed greatly & we're praying for the family.##imported-begin##Tamika Flowers##imported-end##

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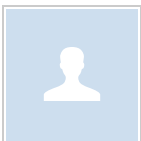


“ I would like to extend my deepest condolences to the entire Whidby family. Lance was a great person and a beloved friend and co-worker he will be missed dearly. His charisma and positive attitude was very contagious. He brought joy and laughter everywhere he travelled and although we only saw each other a few times a year I always enjoyed his company. May GOD Bless you and remember he will alsway be in or hearts everywhere life may lead us.

Paul O'Fray

OSM - Upstate NY##imported-begin##Paul O'Fray##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 06:29 PM



“ My heart goes out to you during this very difficult time. Even though I only knew Lance a short while, he made me feel like family. His very presence put you in a good mood because he always keep you laughing. He was always willing to help out in any way he could and ALWAYS showed his gratitude for any help that you gave to him. He will be truly missed and I will remember to keep your family in my prayers.##imported-begin##Carliss Jackson##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 06:27 PM



“ Lance was a great friend over the past two years that I have known him. Lance was always willing to lend a helping hand. He will definitely be missed by all of us. My prayers go out to the family and friends.##imported-begin##Ryan Lubeley##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 05:10 PM



“ Lance was a great person and will truly be missed by many. I had the pleasure of working with Lance for 3yrs at OnStar and to be trained by him at one point when I joined his team. Lance was one of a kind and I'm grateful for the laughs, the conversations and great memories left behind. I will miss hearing his pocket jingle when walking down the hall (from the loose change in his pocket)and hearing his favorite phrase.
To the family you are in my prayers and may God continue to strengthen you during this time.##imported-begin##Grace Livingston##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 05:07 PM



“ I have had the pleasure of working with Lance for over two years. In that short time I developed not only a professional working relationship, but also a friendship with Lance. As said by so many others already, Lance had a tremendous character, a positive outlook, a great sense of humor, and was always wearing a smile. He will be deeply missed by many co-workers, friends, family, and over 200 General Motors dealers that were proud to call him their OnStar Sales Manager.##imported-begin##Chris Mitchell##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 04:46 PM



“ My prayers go out to the family and all of Lance's love one. I didnt get the honor of knowing Lance for long but he was a real chart. He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Sara Lee##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 04:18 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Lance was a great guy and I loved to see him when I came to Detroit. He always made me laugh and he said I always made him laugh with my laugh. We have lost a great person, but he is in a better place now. God Bless. Kristine Rankin##imported-begin##Kristine Rankin##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 04:13 PM



“ Are thoughts and prays your with the Whidby family stay strong.##imported-begin##Freeman Family##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 01:56 PM



“ To the family...
I send my deepest sympathy to you during this difficult time. It's not easy to lose those we love. I pray that God will give you the comfort and strength today and for the days ahead.
Matthew 5:4

Debra##imported-begin##Debra Scaife##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 12:57 PM



“ To Lance's Family,

Lance will be truly missed. He was one of a kind. Lots of great stories to tell and lots of OnStar information to give. I had the great pleasure of knowing him at OnStar and would talk to him on the phone almost everyday. I am truly sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Mary Branam##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 11:43 AM



“ I had the pleasure of working with Lance at OnStar and everytime I saw him he ALWAYS made me laugh! I would love how he would read a passage out of whatever book I was reading in this really deep, sophisticated voice, even the cuss words! I will really miss him. My deepest condolences to his family, I know that he will truly be missed. Please be comforted in the thought that he is in the place that we are all trying to get to.##imported-begin##Lauren Conway##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 11:40 AM



“ Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. (Matthew 5:4) May it be a source of inner strength to know that there's a loving God watching over you, and that, throughout this time of need, He'll stay close by your side. May God bless your family in this time of need, Lance will be truly missed!! Lance's has impacted many lives, and I am glad I had a chance to get to know him. I'm going to miss his laugh, jokes, long stories, wisdom, and his smile. I could go on and on about what a great man Lance was, but I know that he is in a better place, looking over us now. I love you Lance!!!##imported-begin##LaApril Geter##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 11:33 AM



“ Goodbye, Lance! We worked together at OnStar, and you were one of my favorite co-workers. I used to enjoy taking breaks with you and talking to you about everything! Your relatives lived across the street from my mother all my life on Hubbell Street in Detroit. You were a true asset to OnStar, and a good friend. Sorry we lost touch, but you are in a better place now where you can rest. --> Kim##imported-begin##Kimberly Griffin##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 11:04 AM

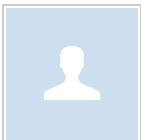


“ To the Family and Lance,

It has been a true pleasure to work with Lance but I can say over the last year we became great friends. I now look back at all the talks we had and laughs we shared...and for that I thank you Lance for being there will wisdom an another view on life

Miss you Brother##imported-begin##Shannon Smith##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 11:00 AM



“ Lance, you will truly be missed because you were one of a kind.##imported-begin##Wanda Maxwell##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 10:55 AM



“ To my friend Lance...he was a tireless hard worker. There was no problem he could not solve. He always had a smile on his face and a good attitude in his heart. For that reason, he always made me smile and laugh when we spoke, and for that, I thank you buddy. You will be missed.##imported-begin##Paige Bishop##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 10:46 AM



“ Dear Whidby Family,

I've knowm Lance for at least 7 years at OnStar by GM. I called him Smooth Operator because that's how he would handle any problems I would call him from Houston, TX. He was a cherish person on our SothCentral team in TX. He will not be replace because he is the only Smooth Operator. Take care my friend may God bless you dearly.##imported-begin##Jennifer Green-Princess##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 10:28 AM



“ Lance and I came to know eachother through a mutual friend at OnStar. Although Lance and I did not work side-by-side, we did share a special "bond" because of our mutual friend whenever we were together or spoke to eachother on the phone. Lance always had a smile to share or a funny story to tell, and that's what made Lance a great guy to be around. Lance will be truly missed by all of us who were lucky enough to know him. My prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Rob DeIMoro##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 10:11 AM



“ To the Whidby Family sorry about your lost. He is now in God's care. Lance was a very nice person to work with. He will be truly missed.If God brings you to it, He will bring you though it. Happy moments, praise God. Difficult moments, seek God. Painful moments, trust God. Every moment,thank God.##imported-begin##Valerie Bell##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:24 AM



“ Lance will be greatly missed here at the OnStar Center. He was as dedicated to his job as an employee could be. He would always talk about how the customers were driving him crazy and how we should handle certain customers. As the years went by we would simply just look at each other and shake our heads in agreement without saying a single word. Because I automatically knew what he meant we would laugh and just talk about other things. I am truly gonna miss Lance and my prayers go out to his family.##imported-begin##Shaphan Carter##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:22 AM



“ Lances smiles and laughs will be greatly missed.He was a wonderful person and spirt. I will keep you all in my prayers.##imported-begin##Laura Rivas##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:16 AM



“ Since I've been a part of the OSM team Lance and I have sat side by side from MOP to Pontiac. Even though Lance and I are the same age, I learned much from and through him. I am grateful that we were able to share a portion of our lives together.##imported-begin##Bob Williams##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:14 AM



“ I had the pleasure of working with Lance. Lance's personality was unique as he always put a smile on my face. He brought a lot of wisdom to the OnStar Dealer Center department and had vast knowledge of the product in general. He was an asset to the team in not only a working capacity, but in a friendship capacity. We will miss his laughter and his advice. I pray that his family is strengthened during this time.##imported-begin##Shakwan Nash##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:07 AM



“ Lance was a friend and great person whom I had the pleasure of knowing. Lance and I were the last remaining people from the June 2000 training class. I often referred to Lance as pops because he reminded me of my father. He will truly be missed. The team won't be the same without him. You and your family are in my prayers. God bless you.##imported-begin##James Brown##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 09:05 AM



“ I use to work with Lance at OnStar and will truly miss him. I will say that he was one of the pillars at OnStar and my time there would have been worse had Lance not been there. My prayers go out to the family.##imported-begin##Harry Harvey III##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:49 AM



“ There are no words I can use that would properly express my condolences. I knew Lance for at least 3 years and his personality is what made a difference at work. Lance had a spirit of joy that the whole world could see. I too will miss his stories, laughs, and dances. I am deeply sorry for your loss. I will keep the entire family in prayer.##imported-begin##Chauntay Govan##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:42 AM



“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. He was a dear friend and a great coworker. He always brought smiles everywhere he went. He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Ron Rubel##imported-end##

July 31, 2008 at 08:16 AM



“ I knew and worked with Lance 2 years. I loved him and worked hard to get him to go to the hospital last Friday from work. I knew he was sick but not to the extent of losing him. I will miss him dearly. My prayers are with his entire family. God Bless you all in his absence. Elizabeth##imported-begin##Elizabeth Davis##imported-end##

July 30, 2008 at 07:39 PM