



Mr. Oliver Howard

June 22, 1933 - February 16, 2022

Our kind and loving father, Oliver Lee Howard, 88, passed away on February 16, 2022 in Southfield, Michigan. He was the husband of the late Hortense Howard with whom he shared 62 years of marriage.

Born in Detroit, Michigan on June 22, 1933, Oliver was born to Gus and Charlena Howard. The youngest of twelve children, his father affectionately referred to him as “Our Boy”. In 1952, at nineteen years of age, Oliver joined the Air Force when the Korean War was already underway. Much to the chagrin of his parents, he knew it was the right decision for him. During his time in the service, Oliver would earn the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. While encouraged to reenlist, he dreamed of returning home. And, he did so in 1956.

Just a few short years later, he would meet and marry Hortense Corley. He readily recounted to everyone the details of the moment he first saw her. She remained his best friend and love of his life even after her passing.

Professionally, Oliver spent many years in the trucking industry-eventually leading to his certification to instruct students in the operation of tractor-trailers. While he was proud of this accomplishment, the creation of Guschar meant the most to him. Guschar was a privately held corporation created by Oliver wherein he performed tax and security services. The name was inspired by those of his parents and the company remained active until fifteen years ago.

Oliver always brought light, joy and laughter into every room he entered. He was well-known for his story telling as each version seemed to grown larger than the last. He had a way of never meeting a stranger and putting people at ease. We will miss his songs and whistling, but the love he placed in our hearts will always remain.

He is survived by his children, Kimberly and Nicole (Timothy), and his grandchildren, Jessica and Elizabeth.

Previous Events

Strolling Visitation

FEB **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services
24585 Evergreen Rd
Southfield, MI 48075
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<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

Family/Friends Time

FEB **26**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

FEB **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast Funeral Service in memory of Mr. Oliver Howard*



Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services - February 26, 2022 at 09:45 AM

MD

I have been blessed with parents as well as Aunts & Uncles who possessed different types of wisdom and very interesting life experiences. Uncle Oliver was full of wisdom, and a plethora of stories to share. I always enjoyed his sporadic visits that turned into hours of conversation, snacks and laughter. He was always so loving and willing to share knowledge. I will forever cherish those times together. I love you and will miss you a whole bunch Uncle Oliver!! To cousins Nicole and Kim, God's strength and his peace be with you

~ *Mishele Davis*

Mishele Davis - February 26, 2022 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mr. Oliver Howard*

September 27, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ *Mr. Oliver Howard*

September 27, 2022 at 06:52 PM

EC

“ I am so sorry to just hear about the passing of both your parents. I use to live next door to them. I never met Ms. Howard, but I did meet Mr. Howard. He spoke so fondly of his wife and children. A very kind and gracious man. My prayers goes out to the family.

Elaine Clifford

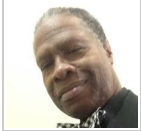
Elaine Clifford - April 23, 2022 at 11:17 AM

JH

“ *Janette Holt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Oliver Howard*



Janette Holt - February 26, 2022 at 12:30 PM



“ *Uncle Oliver was my favorite uncle. I truly loved him and will all those great conversations we had over the years. Your Nephew Jon Davis*

Jon Davis - February 26, 2022 at 09:39 AM

SH

“ *Sharilyntdavis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Oliver Howard*



Sharilyntdavis - February 26, 2022 at 08:43 AM

SH

“ Sherry L. Howard purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Oliver Howard.



Sherry L. Howard - February 25, 2022 at 11:33 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Oliver Howard.



February 24, 2022 at 12:39 PM

DB

“ Derrick B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mr. Oliver Howard.



Derrick B. - February 22, 2022 at 02:11 PM

DB

“ I knew Mr. Howard for a very long time but my fondest memory of him was after 9/11. His daughter Kimberly told me that he had went through some kind of survival preparedness training after 9/11. He had to be about 70 years old at the time and I thought that was amazing! I talked to him once about it and I was fascinated! I always joked after that that if we had another disaster I was coming over his house so I could take advantage of his training! The Howard family has my sympathy and may he rest In Peace,

Derrick Brown

Derrick Brown - February 22, 2022 at 01:58 PM

JT

“ Jessica Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Oliver Howard



Jessica Tucker - February 21, 2022 at 06:53 PM

KT

“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



Kimberly Tucker - February 20, 2022 at 10:27 PM

KT

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Kimberly Tucker - February 20, 2022 at 08:19 PM

GC

“ Geraldine Corley purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Oliver Howard.



Geraldine Corley - February 18, 2022 at 12:55 PM