



Mr. Howard "Howie" Hughes

April 8, 1954 - October 31, 2018

****NOTE: Memorial Service Time and Location Listed Below

Mr. Howard Hughes passed away suddenly on October 31, 2018 at home. He was born April 8, 1954 in Kalamazoo, MI the son of Willie Hughes and Emma Bates. He received his education in the Kalamazoo Public School system. After high school, he went on to play semi professional basketball overseas. After a couple of years overseas, he came back into the United States to his hometown of Kalamazoo. He was employed with the Douglas Community Center and later became employed with Kalamazoo College, with their dining services, working his way up to being a chef.

Howard was a "people person" who enjoyed meeting and greeting the students everyday in in the cafeteria. He also enjoyed attending the volleyball and basketball games at the college.

Howard was a avid sports fan who loved to watch collegiate basketball. His favorite teams were the Detroit Lions, Detroit Pistons. He was a very outgoing, kind and patient man who would possessed the listening ear of a mentor to some of his co-workers that he worked with. He will be greatly missed by family, friends, coworkers and the students of K-College who's lives he touched.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Willie Hughes and Emma Bates; and 2 brothers, Robert Hughes and Willie Hughes, Jr.

He is survived by his sisters, Joan VanTol; Sarah Bloodworth; 2 cousins, Alice Wright and Ivory Coleman; special friends James Meade and Florence Ayers along with several other relatives, friends and his K-College family.

Previous Events

A Memorial Service In Loving Memory Of

JAN 19. 2:30 PM (ET)

Kalamazoo College-Mandelle Hall (in the Olmsted Room)
1200 Academy Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Howard "Howie" Hughes



Harper Funeral Home - January 16, 2019 at 07:37 PM

JE

That was so 🥹🙏🏻👤👤👤👤👤👤 BEAUTIFUL

Jean - June 03, 2020 at 04:06 PM



“ Mr. Howard "Howie" Hughes

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ Mr. Howard "Howie" Hughes

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ I will never forget u Howie... I never got to tell you thank you for everything you have taught and shown me in my 7yrs of working with you from the dish room to the kitchen. We had some good times at k-college. Please watch over me as I will always have you in my ❤️. Love you howie

Jessica Anderson - January 25, 2019 at 06:35 AM

LJ

“ Lucy Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Howard "Howie" Hughes



Lucy Jackson - January 16, 2019 at 11:02 AM

LJ

I just would like to say that Howard was a very sweet kind and shy person he was my Neighbor a school mate and I sure hate to see any of my friends leave but it is God calling God Bless you RIP

Lucy Jackson - January 17, 2019 at 08:20 PM