



## Mr. Leroy "Jesse" McIntosh

November 28, 1956 - August 11, 2010

Mr. Leroy "Jesse" McIntosh passed away on August 11, 2010 from complications with lung cancer. Jesse was born on November 28, 1956 in Jamaica, West Indies. His warm smile and gentle manner made him a wonderful father, husband, and friend. His passions included spending time with his family in their own yard, laughing and joking with his friends, golfing, coaching soccer, watching his son participate in sports, and traveling back to his homeland, Jamaica, where he was known in Negril as "Jesse Black" and "Godfather". There, Jesse was woodcarver and restaurant owner. In 1994, he married his wife, Melinda after meeting in Michigan. In Kalamazoo, he was known for his cooking talents specializing in jerk chicken and curry goat at Kalamazoo's annual Island Festival. He was employed for many years by Summit Polymer in Vicksburg. Jesse was preceded in death by his parents; Ruth Barrett and Altman McIntosh and by his sister, June. Surviving are his wife, Melinda; daughters, Brooke, Lesa, Lola, and Maya; sons, Jesse Lee and Jay; four grandchildren; and many family members around the world. Jesse will be missed greatly by all who knew him and loved him.

\*\*\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*\*\*A CELEBRATION OF JESSE'S LIFE will be held 4:00 p.m. at Bell's Brewery Garden, 355 East Kalamazoo Avenue

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **22**. 12:30 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Leroy "Jesse" McIntosh*

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



“ *Mr. Leroy "Jesse" McIntosh*

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Melinda and family:*

*I saw the Bell's sign driving home tonight and went to the Internet to investigate, hoping I misunderstood the message. I am shocked and deeply saddened. Melinda, we know each other only from the Island Fest, I am the one who brings the extra containers for Jesse's outstanding food. Jesse seemed like such a special person, I looked forward to seeing you both every year. I am so sad for you and your family.##imported-begin##Valda Karlsons##imported-end##*

August 22, 2010 at 09:33 PM



“ *Melinda, Jay, and Brooke, our hearts go out to you and the rest of the family...Jesse's big smile and laughter will always touch our hearts. We were so sorry to hear about Jesse. We are keeping you and him in our thoughts and prayers. Sue Gottlieb and Sam Caramagno##imported-begin##Sue Gottlieb and Sam Caramagno##imported-end##*

August 20, 2010 at 02:31 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Jesse*

*Lakesha##imported-begin##Lakesha Becton##imported-end##*

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August 19, 2010 at 04:26 PM



“ *Ive been thinking about you Melinda, and your family all week. Im hoping you are finding some peace. My thoughts an prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Darin Leaf##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2010 at 07:16 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Melinda, Brooke and Jay during this very difficult time. Jesse was an amazing individual who adored his family. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help.*

*Sincerely,  
Katie, Jeff, Steven*

*Claire, Amanda and Chelsea##imported-begin##Katie Stryker-Clark##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2010 at 03:34 PM



“ Melinda and Jay, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Jesse was a wonderful man who loved life to the fullest along with his family and soccer. His great smile always made me feel welcome. He and Earl loved to about food/cooking. Matt appreciated Jesse's positive comments on his soccer skills. Mary Beth, Earl and Matt Carl##imported-begin##The Carl Family##imported-end##

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August 18, 2010 at 02:38 PM



“ Our thoughts are with the McIntosh Family. Jessie will be missed. He was a great family man, husband, and provider.

*A tribute to a man who loved the kids, loved Jamaica, and definately loved his football!*

*I personally am a better man from knowing Jessie Mac he was a great father and friend to all.*

*Irie man, here's to you Jesse!!!*

*Chris, Stephanie, Kaitlyn, Emily and Max Keenan##imported-begin##KEENAN FAMILY ##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2010 at 02:10 PM



“ Melinda,

*Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Mary Grintals##imported-end##*

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August 18, 2010 at 01:38 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Jesse was a great man and he will be greatly missed by all.##imported-begin##Ron Baldwin & Tracy Piller##imported-end##

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August 18, 2010 at 01:19 PM



“ We are so sorry that your family has had to go thru this. Please know we will be here if you need anything. Jesse will always be family to us and he lives in all our hearts. Know God has him healed and safe in heaven and you will be reunited again, thats Gods word.##imported-begin##Ray and Tara Ampey##imported-end##

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August 17, 2010 at 04:06 PM



“ Dave says he is going to miss your jamaican jerk goat, red beans and rice... the best! Our entire family will miss your big smile at the soccer fields and all of the good times we shared with our boys. Most of all, we will miss your kind heart and generous spirit. Love and prayers for your family, Jesse. We miss you, dear friend.##imported-begin##Dave and Melissa Shufelt, David, Alec, and Jake##imported-end##

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August 15, 2010 at 09:25 PM



“ Melinda, Brooke and Jay, our hearts are filled with sadness over the loss of your husband / father. Please know that our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Misty Moon and Jaye Johnson and family##imported-end##

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August 14, 2010 at 09:04 PM



“ On behalf of the entire Loy Norrix Soccer program we send our condolences for your loss. We are here in support any way your family needs and our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Matt McCullough##imported-end##

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August 12, 2010 at 04:35 PM



“ Our deepest sorrow on your loss. He was/is a wonderful man. I know that "Pickles" Scott Rowley will miss him as well as Randy and myself.  
Our Prayers are with you always  
Randy  
Beth  
Scott Pickles Rowley##imported-begin##The Rowley Family##imported-end##

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August 12, 2010 at 02:01 PM