



Gregory Thomas "Pappy" Howard, Sr.

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I AM MY BROTHER'S KEEPER - Gregory Thomas Howard AKA "Greggo/Pappy" Howard passed away on Friday March 4, 2022 at St. Tammany Parish Hospital after a long and valiant struggle with cancer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tommie Howard and Mary Helen Brock Howard, his former wife and forever love of his life, Norma Voegerl Howard, brothers, Tommie Shedden and Charles Gary Howard.

Pappy was the loving father of Amanda Howard Mann (Matthew) and Gregory Thomas Howard Jr. Proud Pappy of Makenna Mann, unborn grandson Mason Mann and Isabella Howard. He is also survived by his sister, Judith Howard Laiche, nieces, Carrington Gentry, Kristen Green, Kelly Howard and nephew, John W. Gentry Jr. Mr. Howard was born in Mobile, Alabama on July 27, 1949 and has resided in Madisonville, LA since 1983. Upon moving to New Orleans, Fortier High School immediately welcomed him and with his uniting and influential nature, he formed the first National Chapter of Phi Sigma Chi fraternity at Fortier High School. His college years were spent at Southern Louisiana University, and he proudly served our country in the United States Coast Guard.

Greggo's love for music and his free spirit found him at Woodstock in 1969. While working at a local music venue in New Orleans in the 1970's, he met blues legend, Johnny Winter and introduced him to his local musician friends. Greggo was instrumental in putting together "Thunderhead", a New Orleans blues-based band. Johnny Winter produced Thunderhead's first record in 1974. Greggo went on to manage Johnny Winter, touring Europe and the U.S. for several years. Johnny and Greggo remained lifelong friends.

Greggo was a bail bondsman for many years for St. Tammany Parish. From a young age, he enjoyed the backroads on his motorcycle and joined the Blacksheep MC in 2006. Pappy was a force unto himself and many others throughout his life. No one



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ever forgot him. He was charismatic, funny, loyal, and marched to the beat of his own drum. Although headstrong, he would and did give unconditionally with a generous spirit that sealed a lifelong brotherhood of friends; a bright light remaining that did not burn out in death.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend funeral services on Saturday March 12th at E.J. Fielding Funeral Home, 2260 W. 21st Avenue, Covington, LA 70433 on Saturday with visitation from 4:00-6:00pm and chapel service at 6:00pm. Interment will take place privately at the Howard Family Vault, Lake Lawn Cemetery, All Saints Mausoleum in New Orleans, Louisiana.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to establish an educational fund for Pappy's grandchildren. Venmo: @pappysgrands

The family is forever grateful for Dr. Jack E. Saux and the staff of Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center. We would also like to thank Dr. Rikki Weems, Dr. Roch Hontas, Dr. Mark Hontas, nurses, and the staff at St Tammany Parish Hospital.

Please share memories on the Tribute Wall at www.ejfieldingfh.com.



Events


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Visitation

 **Saturday**, March 12, 2022

 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM CT


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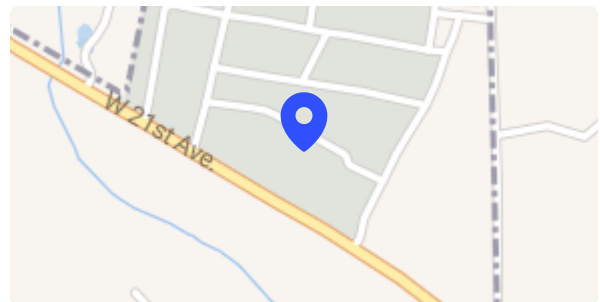
Funeral Service

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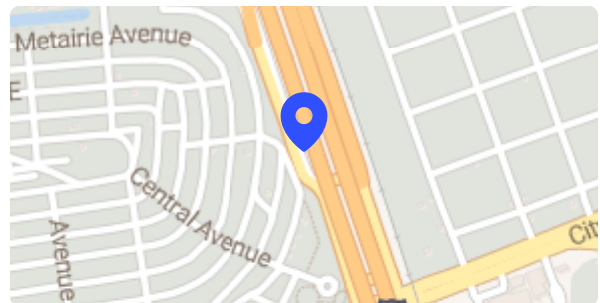
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Cemetery Details

 **All Saints Mausoleum**
5100 Pontchartrain Blvd., New Orleans LA 70124





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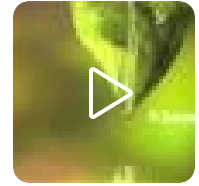
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E.J. Fielding Funeral Home & Cremation Services shared a **Tribute Video**.

March 10 at 8:09 AM



Horst lit a candle in honor of Gregory.

March 13 at 11:45 AM



Pamela Carter Edwards posted:

My first time meeting Greggo was at my brother Glenn's house. He said "glad to finally meet you, I thought you were a figment of Glenn's imagination"(this was during the time I was off training with Air Force to be with Glenn's Air National Guard unit). In a very short time, he and his family became an extension of ours. Thoughts and prayers to Amanda, Greg and family. Pam Carter Edwards

March 12 at 2:06 AM



Blacksheep Boston Jack & Nori, Retired posted:

Missing our check-ins and weather forecast comparisons. I know you aren't having pain and are healed now, enjoy the rides on the streets of gold ML&R Brother!

March 10 at 12:56 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Howard, Sr. family.

March 10 at 6:17 AM





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Veronica Gleber posted:

Pappy you are a blessing to me and my family. Blacksheep vice president I'll miss your phone calls everyday and I will miss you telling me about the weather I will miss you telling me to tell Uncle Lou to get in the house when it's cold I will miss everything about you I love you this is not goodbye but until I see you again rest in peace my brother

March 10 at 5:39 AM



Wanda posted:

Love you my friend, Thank you for sharing your beautiful family with me and being a real friend. Thank you for showing me what a real friend is.

March 9 at 8:21 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Howard, Sr. family.



March 9 at 5:24 PM



Melissa Pellegrin posted:

Pappy was a free spirited man. He also loved his grandchildren, and the grandson on the way. He always made me laugh cause his oldest granddaughter he never called her by Isabella are Bella it was always The Kid. That was their thing though and I'm glad she shared that with him. May you RIP PAPPY you will be missed by your Kid.

March 9 at 4:36 PM



John Wallace posted:

Glad to have known you. A free spirit indeed.

March 9 at 12:44 PM



Media

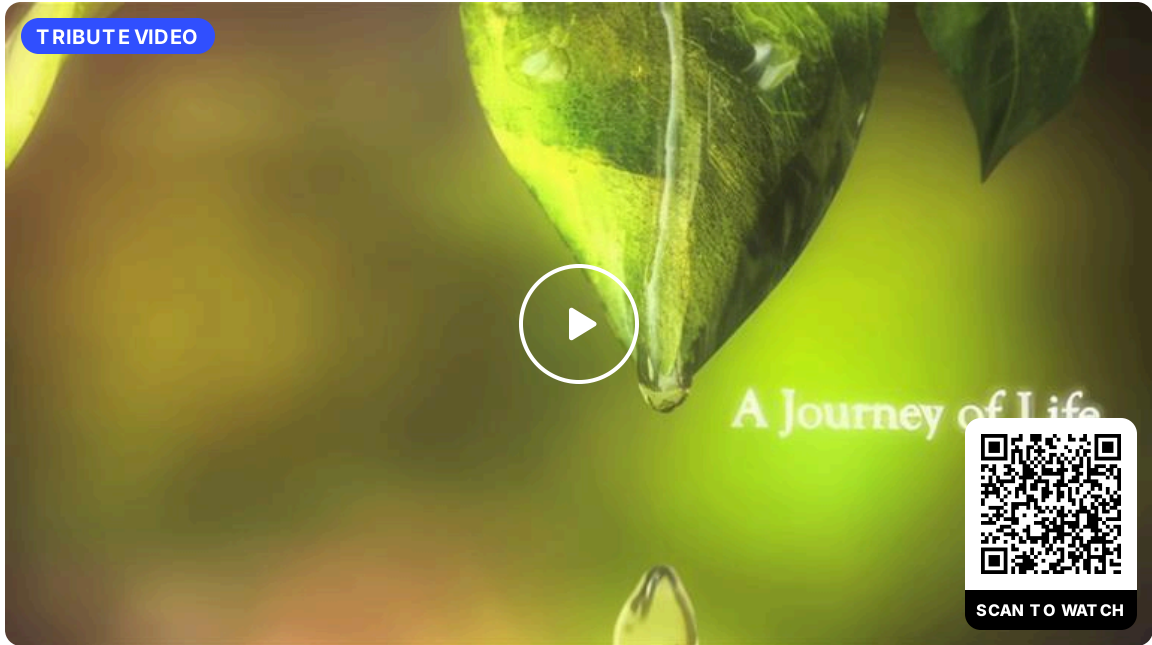
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Walter Bahn March 11 at 4:15 PM

We are sad to hear that our lovely neighbor, Judith Howard Laiche: has lost her dear brother. May the sadness of the present - soon turn to peaceful memories: through the sharing of stories of the blessings of his life .Peace is God's comfort to us.



Becky Williams March 11 at 2:27 PM

Sorry for your loss.. the video was awesome and I loved it



Jean Dollison March 11 at 6:15 AM

Video is awesome



Duane Voegerl March 10 at 10:22 PM

Love this video cuz



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gregory by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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