



Samuel R. Howard

January 13, 1949 - July 13, 2011

Samuel R. Howard, lifelong Lindsay and Maysville resident passed away in his home on July 12th, 2011. He was 62 years old. He was born on January 13th, 1949 in Lindsay, Oklahoma. Sam was the son of Louise Mantooth Howard and Thomas Ralph Jordan.

During his teen years, Sam was a star athlete in Lindsay. He was the starting quarterback during several winning seasons and was also the first male pole vaulter on their track team. After graduating, he attended East Central University in Ada before entering the Air Force. He served one tour of duty, spending time in Thailand, Idaho and Colorado.

Sam was an accomplished musician, writing songs, playing the guitar and singing. During high school, he performed in the Rogues, a band he formed with three other classmates. While in high school, they produced a 45 record with a song he wrote titled, "How Many Times". He and his grandfather, Samuel Mantooth, also known as "Papa Sam", built Papa's Trading Company and ran it for several years. During his daughter Julie's high school years, Sam worked as a custodian at Lindsay Public Schools which afforded him the opportunity to see her more often. He enjoyed working with the faculty at the school and being a part of the kids lives, and even letting them into the gym sometimes when he wasn't supposed to. He always gave Julie the "Hi sign" when he would see her in the hallways, on the grounds or at the track. He will

be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Sam is survived by his daughters, Julie Rae Howard and Cherye Howard Davis, one sister, Jan Howard, and one brother, Stephan Howard, of Houston, Texas along with many relatives throughout Oklahoma.

Tribute Wall

AA

“ *Samuel R. Howard*

AI Anderson - May 30, 2019 at 04:31 PM

JH

“ *Thank you everyone for your kind words my daddy will be greatly missed by many and he loved being around me at the school and I'm glad everyone has great memories of him singing songs and doing good things for people. Thanks again for all your kindness I'll never forget your sweet words. It truly does mean a lot to me. =)*

Julie Rae Howard - August 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ *Cherye and Julie and Jacquie,

 I worked with Sam before ever working for you at Papa's. He loved you all very much. Just because a relationship ends doesn't mean the emotions do. I know how much you ALL cared for Sam and hope that his memory helps to heal your heart. Bet he is still playing his guitar in heaven. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

sherry kochert - August 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Julie I am so sorry to hear about your dad. You are in my prayers.*

Cindy Beck - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *I went to school with Sammy and was his grade school girlfriend. I have seen him since I moved away in 1966, but he was always in my heart and thoughts.*

Beverly Dunham Miracle - July 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Sam was a couple years older than me but I knew him well. he was a good pole vaulter and he helped us younger guys who wanted to learn. He was a very good musician and I listened to him during our school years. I'm very sorry for your loss.

Barry Burns - July 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I was fortunate to be able to work with Sammy for several years while serving as superintendent at Lindsay Schools. He always took pride in his work, and was especially meticulous about making sure the area on Creek Street between the band room and the football fieldhouse always looked good. I never had a cross word with him, and will miss his great personality and friendly ways. He loved his daughter Julie fiercely, and was so proud of her. I will miss him.

doyle greteman - July 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Julie, I am so sorry for your loss. If you need anything just give me a call.

LaShay Cunningham - July 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GW

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Gary Winton - July 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM