

Acknowledgement

We the family wish to extended our sincerest appreciation to our many friends and family for all acts of kindness shown during our moments of sorrow. We thank you for being there with us during this difficult time. May God bless you.

Honorary Pallbearers

Johnny Howard II

Vann Jones Jr.

Darrin "Boobie" Jefferson

Vincent Jones

Damin White

Robert Cole Jr.

Geron Johnson

Anthony Benson

*Sometimes it's hard
to understand why
Someone so young
should have to die*

*No reasons are given
It just happens that way
There's nothing we can do
Nothing we can say*

*Our time here on Earth
We will transcend
Here is not forever
And life doesn't end*

*There is a place
Through an 'open' door
It will be familiar
For we've been there before*

*So don't dwell on death
For its not the end
Spirit is eternal
my dear, dear friend*



We Entrusted Our Loved One To The Care Of:

GOLDEN GATE Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC
2800 East 18th Street ~ Kansas City, Missouri 64127
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*In Loving Memory Of
"China Mike"*



Michael William Jefferson
March 4, 1979 - August 1, 2023

Service Held At:

Golden Gate Funeral & Cremation Services LLC
2800 East 18th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64127
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 ~ 3:00 p.m.
Bishop C.L. Howard, Officiating

A letter to my Tribe

Life is so short! I want to share my story in hopes it might give someone some strength to live life to the fullest. Just know, I am resting peacefully...

I was born on March 4th, 1979 from my mother Nancy Jefferson and father Johnny Howard, of Kansas City, Missouri. I departed this world on August 1st, 2023. I was 44 years young. I'm resting beside my Grandparents William and Yoshi Jefferson, my Grandfather Charles Howard and my Brother Antonio Jones. Even though we are not there, we continue to give you all our love from the heavens above.

I hope you remember me as a remarkable individual. My thoughtfulness, big-heartedness and vibrant personality gives you a reason to celebrate my life. Remember to celebrate because I loved food, the joys of fishing, learning new things, and people who had good vibes. But my deepest love was for my children! I missed them a lot. So make sure they know their father thought about them each day.

Remember to celebrate my life because life was my playground. I made sure to make the most of it. I picked up fishing, mechanical skills at an early age. Which is why you could find me showing off my skills, fishing or getting my hands dirty. I had a natural knack for it and those experiences shaped who I was. I am a big personality with a big heart. And, let's not forget the jokes- I swear, laughter was my secret sauce, the spice of life that I sprinkled everywhere saying "wasssuuupppp mannnnnn" I was always into something different. Which is why I had many friends around town. I could strike up a friendship with just about anyone. Just like my late Grandmother Yoshi. My other grandparents had their way of shaping who I was but none quite like grandma Yoshi. She was my heart! Maybe she missed me and I missed her too much.....I guess it was time to find out.

This will not be easy but I really hope each day becomes better for my friends and family. God never makes mistakes. To all my uncles- thank you for keeping me on my toes! To all my aunties- thank you for looking after me! To my father, thank you for keeping my head on straight. You stayed on my tail but, I knew deep down it was all tough love. To my bonus dad-thank you for being there. To my siblings- thank you for sharing life with me. To all my cousins-(boy o boy) thank you all for filling every moment together with energy and zest. Lastly, my mother. Just know I love you. Don't cry your eyes out because this time I am not there to make sure you will be ok. If I forgot anyone- thank you all for the memories we shared. I was blessed. A lucky man to have such a large family plus a large bonus family and so many friends to love me dearly. Don't forget about each other. We all need each other. Remember to be kind to yourself and others. Until we meet again, never forget.... I love you. Michael's presence brightened every room he entered. He touched the hearts of many and his absence will be deeply felt by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Order of Service

Processional

Clergy & Family

Prayer

*Pastor George Howard
Word of Faith Church*

Scripture

Pastor George Howard

Selection

"Just Angel"

Acknowledgements & Condolences

Life Reflections

Read In Silence

Remarks

*Family & Friends
Two (2) Minutes Please*

Praise Dance

Marshelle West

Words of Comfort

*Bishop C.L. Howard
Greater Infallible Word COGIC*

Prayer of Committal & Benediction

Recessional

