



Kent "Buddha" Howard

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Kent Howard, 48, of Madison Heights, Michigan, passed away on Tuesday, August 30th at his home. He was born to parents Joe and Lauralee Howard on February 18, 1974, in Royal Oak, Michigan. Kent graduated from Madison High School, received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Penn State University in 1997 and his Master of Business Administration from Michigan State in 2012. Kent was known fondly as “Buddha” by family and friends.

Kent is survived by his two sons Aiden and Brendan (Jamie), mother Lauralee, brothers Keith and Kevin (Anna) and sister Kim (Brian), and many loving family members including his Uncle Larry and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father Joe and brother Kurt (Sherry). Kent was a loving father and friend to everyone he knew.

Kent was known for his love of laughter and music, his passion and pride for his alma mater, Penn State, and his unending love for his boys and his family. He was blessed to have a great group of friends who were brothers to him. His favorite pastime was boating on Wampplers Lake at his family cottage. He loved travel, concerts, golf, and Penn State football. Kent had a successful 25-year career as Senior Vice President at NGK Spark Plugs. He recently started a business venture with a close friend and colleague and enjoyed his time at their “Yacht Club.” He valued time with loved ones, whether it was friends or family, and would do anything in his power to see those he cared about safe and happy. His greatest passion was love.

Visitation will be Tuesday, September 6, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and the service will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Hopcroft Funeral Home in Madison Heights, Michigan.




Events

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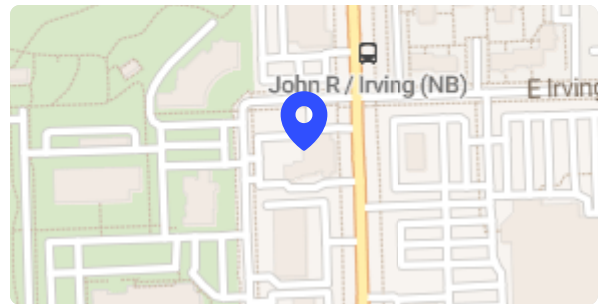
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31145 John R. Road, Madison Heights MI 48071

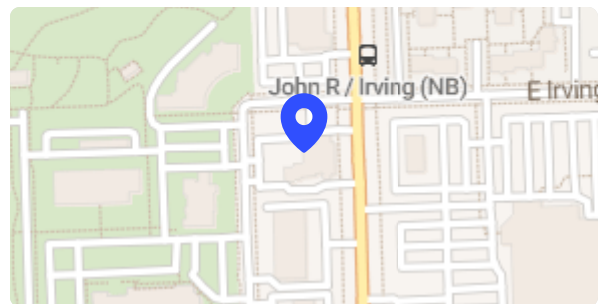


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Tribute Wall

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Al Morrison posted:

My heart aches for the entire Howard family. Buddah always had a heart of gold and loved his family like no other. May he rest in paradise and God hold and comfort his family. Prayers and love for all Buddahs family and friends. Rest In Peace. Al Morrison and the entire Morrison family.

September 6 at 1:49 PM



Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Howard family.



September 6 at 8:43 AM



Lesley And Wes Skinner sent a Basket of Memories to the Howard family.



September 6 at 7:35 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Howard family.



September 6 at 6:52 AM



Anonymous sent a Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet to the Howard family.



September 6 at 5:40 AM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Howard family.



September 6 at 5:08 AM



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Anonymous sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Howard family.

September 6 at 4:16 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Howard family.

September 5 at 8:02 PM



GM

Greg Mccummings posted:

I was roommates with Kent at Penn State in the 96/97 school year. I took a trip on to Michigan for a weekend at the lake probably sometime in the summer of 1996. Kent was in my brothers class so was a year older than me and I had so much respect for him. He was driven to succeed and at the same time enjoyed life. Was always a trip when his friends came out to visit....I traveled back out to Michigan to attend Kent's wedding and although we didn't communicate much after college I'm so proud to have known Kent and he made an impact on my life in the few short years we spent time together. So sorry for the loss and wish health and healing for his sons and family. Greg McCummings PSU/97

September 5 at 4:22 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Howard family.

September 5 at 5:08 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Howard family.

September 5 at 3:14 AM





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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Howard family.



September 4 at 5:47 PM



Martin Baumeister posted:

Kent always brought thoughtful insight into any discussion and made it fun to be around him! He'll be missed!

September 4 at 4:48 PM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Howard family.



September 4 at 4:40 PM



Tom Malone posted:

I worked with Kent at NGK for 6 years. I enjoyed his sense of humor, his insight into business issues, and of course the good natured ribbing with each other regarding Kent's affiliation with Penn State and mine with Michigan. We reconnected lately and I was looking forward to seeing Kent a few days ago during my visit to Michigan. Shock is too mild a word to describe my feelings when I found out why he didn't make our appointment. My sincerest condolences to all of Kent's family and friends. Tom Malone

September 4 at 11:20 AM



Bill & Mary Deyo sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Howard family.



September 4 at 8:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses to the Howard family.



September 4 at 4:46 AM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Howard family.



September 3 at 1:38 PM



Anonymous sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Howard family.



September 3 at 11:45 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kent "Buddha" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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