



## John Lloyd Howard

June 20, 1927 - January 24, 2014

John Lloyd Howard age 86 of Empire, passed away Friday January 24, 2014 at Baptist Medical Center-Princeton. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, and a special hero to many. He was retired from Ryder Truck Rental after 29 years of service.

Funeral services will be Monday January 27, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in the New Horizon Memorial Chapel. Rev. T.J. Millican, Rev. Mark Brand and Rev. Marlin Eddy will officiate. Burial will follow in New Horizon Memorial Gardens.

Visitation is Sunday night 6-8 pm at the funeral home.

He was preceded in death by his parents John L. and Bertie Howard; sister, Ola Mae Mims; grandchildren, Kevin and Aubrey Howard; in-laws, Rufus and Lena Jay; brothers in law, John Edward and Mickey Jay and sisters in law, June Wallace and Jean Gamble.

Survivors include his wife of 51 years, Sharon Jane Howard; sons, Buddy Howard (Nelda) of Empire, Danny Howard (Angela) of Sumiton and John Michael Howard (Cindy) of Dora; daughters, Donna Jett (Ricky) of Dora, and Linda Glass (Bud) of Acworth, GA; 16 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren; brothers, Virgil Howard (Peggy) of Moody and Wesley Howard (Angela) of Riverside; sisters in law, Patsy Connor, Lila Farr, Rita Hamrick (Bruce) and Sandra Yow (Jimmy) all of Empire; brother in law, Donald Jay (Joan) of Empire; countless other relatives and a host of friends.

Pallbearers will be Robby, Skyler, Michael, Brett and Jonathan Howard and

Cody and Kyle Jett.

New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home, Dora directing 205-648-2323

# Cemetery Details

## **New Horizon Memorial Gardens**

5203 Hollis Goodwin Rd.  
Dora, AL 35062  
(205) 648-8749  
<http://www.newhorizonmemorial.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Lloyd Howard*

October 05, 2023 at 01:15 PM



“ *John became my father-in-law when i was only 16 years old.I have been a part of his family for 45 years and in all this time I never saw him angry.He was a true gentleman.He had a way of making everyone feel special .He never offered his advice he let us find our own way and if he every disagreed with the choices we made he never told us.He was truly a rare person he loved us all unconditionally and was always willing to listen or to lend a helping hand.I can only hope that I can touch others the way he did . The memories we have are priceless .We will always love and think about him and all the things we learned by being around such a Great Man.I know his endless pranks will remain in the heart of all who knew him and that's just the way he would want it.I'll love and miss him always.Nelda Howard*



**Nelda Howard** - February 01, 2014 at 11:18 PM



“ *We were so sorry to learn of your loss, Buddy. I just found out today. Edward and I both send our prayers and condolences.*

*Sheila and Edward Cameron*

**Sheila Green Cameron** - January 30, 2014 at 08:25 AM

PF

“ Dear Family, I am so very sorry about the loss of your dear loved one. May the thought at Job 33:25 give you comfort in knowing that Mr. Howard will return to the days of his youth and be able to enjoy life without the infirmities of old age. My sincere condolences to you.

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**Pat F.** - January 29, 2014 at 06:54 PM

CH

“ I just want everyone to know, I am married to John's youngest son John Michael Howard. From the day that I met this wonderful family they have always treated me and my children just like family. My mother in law Jane and my father in law John are two of the most wonderful people I have ever met. I love them both with all my heart and I will truly miss my father in law. RIP John, I will always remember you and your kind heart.

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**Cindy Howard** - January 28, 2014 at 04:45 PM

CH

“ Cindy Howard lit a candle in memory of John Lloyd Howard



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**Cindy Howard** - January 28, 2014 at 04:40 PM

SR

“ Shelia Romano purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Lloyd Howard.



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**Shelia Romano** - January 26, 2014 at 07:35 PM

BJ

“As the grandchildren of John Howard, I speak for my brothers Tim and Bob, as well as my sister Crystal when I recount our fond memories. We had a disadvantage over his other grandchildren who were fortunate enough to live close and see him much more frequently, but our memories are that much more special to us because of it. Children are impressionable, and I can tell you that our time with Papa Howard is carved deep into our souls. The thing that personally touched me was his quiet demeanor, his ever-present, gentle smile, and his devilish sense of humor. He would make us laugh ourselves silly with his pranks, and leave us talking for months afterwards about our great time with him. He always took time to spend with us personally when we visited. To me growing up, his son, our Uncle Buddy, was the coolest guy I had ever known. He came by it legal, as both he and Papa Howard were both like real a life James Dean to me. His striking features and suave demeanor made it that much easier for him to win the hearts of all who knew him. The love expressed to us was a very important part of our childhoods, and the sense of family and the strong bond we have to this day has carried on well into our adult years. Our fond memories are part of the fabric that is woven into our lives and who we have grown to become. We will forever be feeling the ripple effects of the impact he made on us. We are honored and privileged to be the grandchildren of John Howard. Men like him do not come around very often. He touched the lives of everyone who was fortunate enough to know him, and he will be missed terribly. If we think of him often, as I know we all will, he will continue to live on forever through our fond memories of him.

*Buddy Glass, Jr.*

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**Buddy Glass Jr.** - January 26, 2014 at 03:08 PM

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Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:46 AM

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*John, Jane, Buddy, Danny, Donna, & John Michael . . . Christmas 2010.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:48 AM

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“ *John michael Michael Howard was added to the Family Tree.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:37 AM

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“ *Donna Joyce Howard was added to the Family Tree.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:35 AM

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“ *Danny Joe Howard was added to the Family Tree.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:34 AM

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“ *Buddy Howard was added to the Family Tree.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:32 AM

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“ *Linda Glass was added to the Family Tree.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:31 AM

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“ *Sharon Jane Howard was added to the Family Tree.*

Angela Howard - January 26, 2014 at 10:29 AM

RG

“ *I worked as a peer of John's at Ryder Truck for many years. He was always a funny and great man to be around. He will be remembered and missed. Our thoughts and prayers to the family. Rickey Gilliland*

Rickey Gilliland - January 25, 2014 at 01:56 PM

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Hugh Dozier - January 25, 2014 at 11:49 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album John Howard*



Hugh Dozier - January 25, 2014 at 11:44 AM

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**Hugh Dozier** - January 25, 2014 at 11:43 AM

JW

“ *The Ryder family will truly miss a great family member. Our hearts and prayers go out to the family. Jerry Watts*



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**jerry watts** - January 25, 2014 at 09:47 AM