



Mr. Jesse Howard

May 26, 1929 - January 2, 2026

Mr. Jesse Howard was born to Samuel Howard, Sr. and Nancy Barnes on May 26, 1929, in Tyronza, Arkansas. On January 2, 2026, he answered the call of his Master and peacefully transitioned from this earthly life in the comfort of his home, surrounded by his loving family, and entered into eternal rest.

Mr. Howard was a man who feared God, honored His Word, and lived a life grounded in faith, order, and obedience. He was a faithful member of the Church of the Living God, where he worshiped, believed, and trusted God throughout every season of his life. His faith was not loud, but it was lived and demonstrated daily through his actions, discipline, and commitment to righteousness.

He was a strict father who believed in discipline, structure, and respect, teaching his children the importance of accountability and responsibility. Though firm in his ways, he was a good daddy who loved his family deeply, provided faithfully, and stood as a covering for his household. His instruction and example will forever remain etched in the lives of those he raised.

For many years, Mr. Howard labored as a farmer, working the land with diligence and humility. He was also employed by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, where he carried the same work ethic, dependability, and

dedication that defined his life. He resided in Dansby, Arkansas for many years, where he raised his family and established strong roots within the community. In his later years, he moved to Haynes, Arkansas, which he called home until the Lord called him to rest.

In his quiet moments, he found peace in fishing, enjoying God's creation and the stillness that came with it. He was a devoted father, a respected elder, and a man whose life reflected endurance, faith, and perseverance.

Mr. Howard was preceded in death by his loving wife, Mary Meanus Howard; his children, Jesse Howard, Jr., Lee Edwards Howard, and Jackie V. Howard Funches; his sisters and brothers; his grandsons, Brandon Howard and Raymond Howard; his great-grandchild, Abrielle Funches; and other loved ones who have gone on to glory.

He leaves to cherish his blessed memory seven sons, Eddie, Louis, Jerry, and Morris Howard, all of Peoria, Illinois; Leotis (Brenda) Howard and Terry Howard, both of Forrest City, Arkansas; and Leon (Fairnetta) Howard of Jonesboro, Arkansas; nine daughters, Rosie (Monroe) Pointer of Dansby, Arkansas; Debra Gates and Fannie Walters, both of Peoria, Illinois; Lizzie (Lynden) Robinson and Elmira (Michael) Williams, both of Atlanta, Georgia; Lela Jenkins and Paula Howard, both of Jonesboro, Arkansas; and Marion Hill and Shelia Howard, both of Forrest City, Arkansas; one sister; along with a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

Mr. Jesse Howard has laid down his earthly burdens and taken his rest. He has fought a good fight, finished his course, and kept the faith. Though he has transitioned from labor to reward, his memory, teachings, and testimony will forever live on in the hearts of those who loved him.

If you would like, Miles, I can next:

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Miles J. Kimble Mortuary & Cremation
1900 South Washington Street
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-1914
mjkimble@yahoo.com
<http://www.mjkmortuaryandcremation.com>

Service

JAN 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

Salem Missionary Baptist Church
105 Haven Street
Forrest City , AR 72335

The family will line up at 203 Wilson Circle Haynes Arkansas 72341 on the day of the service. Everyone is expected to be ready to leave by 10:20 AM.

Repast

JAN 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

Salem Missionary Baptist Church Life Center
109 Haven Street
Forrest City , AR 72335

Tribute Wall

DF

“ *Debra Hargraves Ford lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jesse Howard*



Debra Hargraves Ford - January 09 at 02:34 PM

ST

“ *Howard family and friends, Sincere Heartfelt Condolences to you at this time of Bereavements. Praying for comfort strength and peace today and the days ahead 🙏*



Shirley Williams Thorn - January 08 at 04:24 PM

CN

“ *Uncle jess you will truly be love andmiss so much*



Charlene Bradley niece - January 08 at 12:54 PM

FI

“ *Family of Samuel Howard, Rockford, II purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Jesse Howard.*



Family of Samuel Howard, Rockford, II - January 06 at 01:27 PM



“ *In loving memory of unc! Please plant the tree Yvette B. sent for me.
Love, your nephew
Amos Howard Sr.*

Yvette Bradford - January 05 at 04:36 PM

LA

“ *LA lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jesse Howard*



LA - January 05 at 01:16 PM

YB

“ *Yvette B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Jesse Howard.*

Yvette B. - January 04 at 08:29 PM

EG

“ Evelyn Pointer Gaines lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jesse Howard



Evelyn Pointer Gaines - January 04 at 07:55 PM

DB

“ Uncle J put me in my place whenever & wherever I needed it.
Gonna miss u unc

Derek Boone - January 03 at 10:02 PM

HH

“ My Sweet Uncle was a kind and Gentle man was always kind to family and those he Knew will miss you Sweet Uncle Jessie RIP

Henrietta Howard - January 03 at 09:58 PM