



Howard Joseph Culver

July 29, 1943 - January 7, 2011

DELMAR- Howard Joseph Culver, 67, of Delmar, died Friday, January 7, 2011, at his home, surrounded by his loving family.

He was born July 29, 1943 in Georgetown, a son of the late Minos “Mike” Culver and Clara Short Culver.

Howard spent his youth in Georgetown and graduated from Georgetown High School with the class of 1961. After high school, he earned his Bachelor’s Degree from Shepherd College. He started his career in education in 1966 as a Physical Education Teacher at Delmar Elementary. He then went on to Delmar Junior-Senior High school where he taught Life Science classes for 27 years and was a Guidance Counselor for many years. He loved coaching and from 1966-69 he served as the head coach to the Delmar High School basketball team and also served as the head coach for the football team from 1970-73. In addition to teaching and coaching, he was also Delmar’s Athletic Director for a number of years. Later in his career he returned to the football team as an assistant coach. He attended Christ United Methodist Church in Salisbury where he eagerly supported the homeless project in the church.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Donna Marie Elliott Culver; two daughters, Laura Culver of Salisbury and Stacy Culver Kuczenski and her husband, Donald of Delmar; a grandson, William Monroe Kuczenski; mother-

in-law, Dollie Eleanor Elliott of Delmar; sister-in-law, Suzanne Elliott Killian of Delmar; niece, Katie Killian Willey and her children, Abby and Stosh of Delmar; and nephew, Sean Killian and his wife April and their son, Scott of Chesapeake, Virginia. He is also survived by many other members of his extended family.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Monday, January 10, 2011 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., and also Tuesday, January 11, 2011 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, where a service will be held Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Bill Green will officiate. Interment will follow the services at St. Stephen's Cemetery in Delmar.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Culver's name to Delmar Jr.-Sr. High School, Booster Club, c/o Delmar School District, 200 N. Eighth Street, Delmar, Delaware 19940, or to Christ United Methodist Church, Missions Fund to help the Homeless Project, 211 Phillip Morris Drive, Salisbury, Maryland, 21804.

Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com. Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **10**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 E. Grove Street
Delmar, De

Visitation

JAN **11**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JAN **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Just want to let you know Donna and Family what a wonderful mentor Mr. Culver was to me as one of his students. He taught us all so much. I am so sorry for your loss. We all have so many wonderful memories to hold on to. God bless and comfort you all. Kay Short Habig and Family###imported-begin###Kay Short Habig###imported-end##

January 16, 2011 at 12:01 PM



“ Dear Donna and Family,
I am sorry I was not able to attend the services for Howard.

I worked with him at Delmar Elementary and enjoy especially his sense of humor. He did a great job with the students and was well respected by the faculty and staff.

Looking back, I have a lot of good memories. Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. We will miss him too and remember him fondly.

Sandy and Bob Greer###imported-begin###Robert Greer###imported-end##

January 15, 2011 at 10:04 AM



“ So very sorry to hear of your lost- Mr Culver was loved by so many people - my thoughts are with you and your family.###imported-begin###Penny Adams###imported-end##

January 13, 2011 at 08:01 PM



“ Stacy-So sorry to hear about your loss. I remember him from school, although he was never one of my teachers. I always heard nice things about him. I trust you will feel the comfort and prayers of all of your friends at this very difficult time. Take care.
Fondly,
Connie###imported-begin##Connie Bailey###imported-end##

January 13, 2011 at 02:59 PM



“ Mr Culver was a great teacher, he taught me more about life then he did life science. Lest we never forget.###imported-begin##SSG Chad Baker###imported-end##

January 13, 2011 at 06:55 AM



“ Hi Donna, I'm not sure if you'll recognize my name...but I'm the close friend of Sandy Short here in O.C.
Please know my heartfelt sympathy go out to you and your family. May peace give you comfort and time give you strength. Sincerely,
Sue Vickers###imported-begin##Sue Vickers###imported-end##

January 11, 2011 at 06:10 PM



“ I just wanted to send my deepest sympathies to you and your family. Mr. Culver was a good man, who taught me alot and made me the person I am today. God bless you all###imported-begin##Dawn Nichols###imported-end##

January 11, 2011 at 09:32 AM



“ *Laura&Family,*
Just wanted you to know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Always remember and treasure the happy times that you shared. This will help get you through your time of sorrow. If you need anything just ask.
God be with you,
Sandy West###imported-begin##Sandra West###imported-end##

January 11, 2011 at 07:18 AM



“ *Laura and family*
I am deeply sorry for your loss. No one has the words to describe how you must feel at this time! Just take comfort in that knowing he will not suffer or feel anymore pain. Look back and smile at all the good times. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers
michelle###imported-begin##michelle trivits###imported-end##

January 11, 2011 at 06:26 AM



“ *Dear Donna, I'm so sorry to hear that Howard passed away. Your mom told me recently how sick he's been. He will be deeply missed by so many, and especially his family. Take care of yourself and trust God to see you through the difficult days ahead. His grace is sufficient! You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Dru Vanderwende###imported-end##*

January 10, 2011 at 09:54 PM



“ Mrs Culver and family, Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. He was there many times for me, both good and the not so good. I am a better person today because of your husband and father.##imported-begin##Skip Lord##imported-end##

January 10, 2011 at 06:45 PM



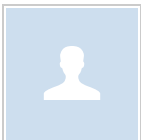
“ You're thought of with more sympathy than any words can tell.
Yours truly, Allan C. Stoeckel##imported-begin##Allan C.
Stoeckel##imported-end##

January 10, 2011 at 05:32 PM



“ I have not seen Howard for years but whenever I heard his name I instantly remember the good times and great laughs we had at GHS. He was a great friend and I know he will be missed but he would have wanted to have the good times remembered. Take care.##imported-begin##Herb Griffith##imported-end##

January 10, 2011 at 01:54 PM



“ Dear Donna and Family, just a note to let you all know that I am thinking about you and praying for your comfort. I am working during the visitation and services times over the next few days & evenings. So, I wanted to write a message to you here in the guest book.

Your family and the community greatly benefited from Howard's contributions and activities. He will be missed.

I hope that you find comfort among your family, friends, and faith.
Love, Dot Baker##imported-begin##Dot Baker##imported-end##

January 10, 2011 at 11:11 AM



“ I have very fond memories of Mr. Culver. I was a student at Delmar Elementary and Delmar High School (75). I remember my Mother inviting him over for dinner when he was teaching at the Elementary School. He attended my Mothers Funeral in Dec 04 and I got to see and visit with him there. So sorry to here that he has passed away. My condolences to His Family.##imported-begin##Cathy McCain Redman##imported-end##

January 10, 2011 at 09:27 AM



“ My husband and I both had Mr. Culver as a teacher at Delmar. We just saw him a few months ago and my husband, having graduated in 1989 was surprised that Mr. Culver recognized him! He was one of both of our favorite teachers. Our love to his family in this time of sadness. He truly was a GREAT man.##imported-begin##Bruce & Tiffany Slate(Rimkis)##imported-end##

January 09, 2011 at 08:16 PM



“ Dear Donna and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. I will always remembered Howard for his terrific sense of humor. He had heart of gold and I know that he will be missed by all who knew him. You are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Colleen Dallam##imported-end##

January 09, 2011 at 12:56 PM



“ Donna, I am extremely saddened by your loss.Howard was certainly a fine gentleman and I am sorry I didn't get to know him better.I feel your pain.##imported-begin##Jim Powell##imported-end##

January 09, 2011 at 11:04 AM



“ Donna, I am very sorry for your loss..
Howard was a very special man.
Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.
Lisa##imported-begin##Lisa Lord##imported-end##

January 09, 2011 at 11:02 AM



“ Donna and family
As a classmate of Howard's, I remember him as a most caring and loving person. My heart and prayers are with you and your family at this time of great loss. I know he is in a most rewarding place getting the best reward of all.##imported-begin##Diane Workman Ellingsworth##imported-end##

January 09, 2011 at 10:23 AM



“ Stacy ,Don,and Will,
My heartfelt Smypathy to you on your Dads Home going. You have all those years w/ him to draw the strenght to endure his lose and from the pics on F B,I know he was a Great Dad.
May our Lord send your family His peace ,comfort ,and love today and always. Love and prayers, Candy and Bear##imported-begin##Candy##imported-end##

January 09, 2011 at 08:15 AM



“ Dear Donna, Laura and Stacey,
We are so very sorry to hear of your loss. Howard was a wonderful man. He was definitely liked by all. I know God opened his arms when he entered Heaven. That has to give you some kind of comfort to know where he is and that he is no longer suffering. My girls thought the world of him as a teacher. May God bless all of you through this difficult time.

Dale and Christine Trader##imported-begin##Dale and Christine Trader##imported-end##

January 08, 2011 at 09:56 PM



“ I have not seen Howard since we graduated from high school in 1961. I remember Howard as a quiet and likeable guy. He always told me that he thought we were related because my last name is Short. I heard from someone that he was not doing very well. I know he is sadly missed by all of his family. Sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Gene A Short##imported-end##

January 08, 2011 at 09:49 PM



“ My condolences to Mrs. Culver and family. Mr. Culver was one of my favorite teachers and I share in your sorrow at the passing of a such a great man.##imported-begin##Trudy Farlow Hammond##imported-end##

January 08, 2011 at 07:54 PM



“ *Dear Donna and family,
If I've learned anything down through the years, it's that those we cherish will always live on in our memories.
May our caring Father wrap you in His love and cradle you in his gentle arms as you grieve the loss of Howard, To know him was to love him.
With love and heartfelt sympathy,
Janet###imported-begin##Janet Isaacs###imported-end##*

January 08, 2011 at 06:27 PM



“ *Donna and family, We are so sorry to hear of Howards passing
◦Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss...our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.###imported-begin##Phil and Gwen Shedaker###imported-end##*

January 08, 2011 at 05:47 PM