



Joel Edwards Howell

January 5, 1950 - March 23, 2005

Joel Edwards Howell, 55, died on March 23, 2005. He was a native of Portsmouth a Graduate of The University of Virginia Class of 1974, Old Dominion University Class of 1977. He was the son of the late Josephine Edwards Howell and Wilson Nathaniel Howell, Sr.

Joel is survived by his wife, Chris Howell; daughter, Jamie Howell; brother, Dr. W. Nathaniel Howell, Jr. and his wife Marge; a nephew W. N. "Chip" Howell, III.

At Joel's request no funeral services will be held. In lieu of flowers the family suggest memorial contributions to the Isle of Wight Academy. Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel is handling the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Joel, your daughter has grown into the beautiful young woman you always knew she would be. She will always have you near to support her. She is loved by all.##imported-begin##Rick Lawrence##imported-end##

March 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jamie,
I know you were only here at IWA for a short while but we truly enjoyed having you join our family. Thanks for sharing your enthusiasm and spirit while you were here! I was saddened to hear about the passing of your father. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that you and your mother will be comforted. We are here for you if you ever need an ear and a hug. With love and concern, Lisa Sumrak##imported-begin##Lisa Sumrak##imported-end##

April 04, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie: Our deepest sympathies....
Our thoughts are with you....
Gretchen, Emily and Megan Rockwell##imported-begin##gretchen federico##imported-end##

March 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,
Becca and I are keeping you both in our thoughts and hearts. Joel made us all laugh so much. The cheer world was always more fun with him in it. He will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Dale Manns##imported-end##

March 31, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,Pat and I just wanted to let you know how deeply saddened we are to hear about Joel.Pat had metioned that he had seen him @Sears and was telling him some jokes.He was a wonderful man and one of the best cheer Dads. He was sooooo proud of Jamie.You are in our thoughts and prayers,Please feel free to call us for anything.Pat,Sue and all the girls##imported-begin##Sue Hopkins&Pat Macalea##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,
I was so sorry hear of your loss. I know there are no words that may condole you, but I pray that your sorrow may be lessened through the knowledge that you and Mr. Howell are on the hearts of many. God's peace be yours.##imported-begin##Melissa Thomas##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Chris and Jamie,
Our family considers it a blessing to have had the pleasure of knowing and being such good friends with Joel. He was an awesome cheer dad, and good person, someone that you could always count on. We have so many good memories of our times and cheer trips together. Joel was always supportive, encouraging and sincere in his concern and interest of how the kids were doing. He was definitely our on line buddy. I will miss our long conversations and daily jokes he would send. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Joel made the world a nicer place for a lot of people. He will be very missed.
Rick, Wanda, Whitney, Brandon
Chelsey and Cassidy Burton##imported-begin##Wanda Burton##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,
We were so sorry to hear of your loss. When I think of Chris and Joel I think of the tireless hours and efforts that you both put in back at the ACE gym. It was a pleasure to have known Joel.
For Chris and Jamie, I hope you are both doing well and know that you're in our thoughts.

The Hunter Family
Tom, Sandi, Cori, Dani & Kodi##imported-begin##Sandi Hunter##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ ~*~ Jamie, honey, our thoughts are with you and your family. We are sad to hear of your loss and wish you the best. If there is anything we can do, please let us know! You are in our prayers sweetie ~*~##imported-begin##Becky and Helen Busby##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,

We were deeply saddened to hear about Joel and we've been thinking of you and all you must be feeling. Joel was certainly someone who had been a special part of our lives at ACE. We hope that time and good memories will bring you comfort.##imported-begin##Laurie,Robert, and Michelle Bodner##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ I knew Joel as a Portsmouth YMCA member at the old downtown "Y" on High Street 20 some years ago. He was a delightful friend and a treasure to know. The world has lost a sweet personality and a force for good.##imported-begin##Bernie Kirsch##imported-end##

March 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ To Chris and Jamie: Truly my prayers are with you both today and for the future. Joel and I worked together for several years and we shared many happy lunches and other meeting together. Joel always had the ability to cut through to the very core of an issue. Our friendship continued for all the years after the time we had worked together. He was truly my friend. Just recently we had talked on the phone and we had made plans to share another Lunch together. My prayers are truly with you both today. Remember the good times and please feel free to call on me at anytime and for anything.

Blessings##imported-begin##W. Joe Newman##imported-end##

March 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie, our thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. While Joel and I didn't see each other a lot after high school and UVA, we kept up through emails and regular Christmas cards. Those messages showed a lot of love for the two of you. We'll all miss him.

Wilbur, Amy, and Cary Hundley##imported-begin##Wilbur Hundley##imported-end##

March 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie, I am so sorry. I just wanted to let you both know you and your family are in our prayers. Please let us know if there is anything we can do. Joel will be deeply missed.##imported-begin##Jessica Mueller & Family##imported-end##

March 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie~ I'm so sorry to hear about Joel. He was such a good person and I was so proud to have had him as one of my biggest fans! He will be missed deeply and ya'll will be in my prayers. If theres anything I can do, I'd be glad to help.##imported-begin##Whitney Burton##imported-end##

March 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Chris,
Joel was a special person. The ups & downs we had together in the insurance business brought us close. If there is ANYTHING within my power that I can do for you and Jamie feel free to call on me.
I saw Joel at Sears on Friday, March 17th. So glad I Did!
Sincerely,
Tom Kaufman##imported-begin##Thomas C. Kaufman##imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,
My thoughts and prayers are with you. If you need anything please let me know. I love you both and I am only a phone call away.
God Bless##imported-begin##Candice Glover##imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Chris & Jamie,
Our prayers and thoughts are with you. May your good memories forever be with you. Take care, Sandy, Megan and Amanda##imported-begin##Sandy Jones##imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie, My heart was saddened today to hear about Joel. I have many fond memories of your family at the ACE gym. Memories that I will cherish. Joel was a very kind person and I am glad that I had the chance to get to work with him. You will be in my prayers and thoughts. God Bless!
Bell Nowitzky###imported-begin##Bell Nowitzky###imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ We love you guys so much and are here for you anytime. We too are so glad we just saw Joel at work ~ he was always a joy to be around. Words cannot express how sorry we are for your loss and we are here for you always! Our prayers and our churches prayers go out to you!###imported-begin##Amanda & Jason Williams###imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Jamie- I've known you a short time and in that time you and your family welcomed me into your home. You are a strong person and I know you will be able to pull through this, my prayers are with you and you mom, I love you guys so much...###imported-begin##Tiffanie Goodman###imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie,
We have such wonderful and fond memories of you guys and Joel, and all the fun we had as ACE families together, right from the beginning. I enjoyed receiving Joel's humorous emails every day. The last one I received from him on March 22 will always be special, it was so pertinent to us as a military family. We are going to miss him soooooo much. You are both in our thoughts and prayers. We love you guys.
Bob, Brenda, Lisa, Lauren & Carolyn###imported-begin##The Schuetz Family###imported-end##

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris and Jamie, I am so very sorry to hear about Joel! He was an awesome person who was always willing to help. I first met him at ACE where you both were always busy pitching in with things that needed to be done. Joel always knew how to laugh but also knew how to get something done when need be. I respected him for all he did and how hard he always worked for the good of others the team, the girls! He was a great example and gave of his time unselfishly which was a lesson to all of us. You are strong and will be just fine. We are not given more then we can handle and God wouldn't bring us to things if he couldn't bring us through things. Hang in there! Live life to the fullest as you know that is what Joel would want. I am here if you ever need anything!! Blessings! Trish Krystal too###imported-begin###Trish Key###imported-end###

March 27, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Chris & Jamie, I was deeply saddened in finding out about Joel. I always admired him for his tireless efforts towards the ACE gym, all the kids, and you Jamie. His selection as "Man of the Year" by the AAU Junior Olympics Committee in 2001 was something he easily could have received each year. Our prayers are with you always. Sid, Debra, Margot, & Grahm###imported-begin###Sid Dingman###imported-end###

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