



## Charles Michael Lessane

July 14, 1955 - June 16, 2011

CHARLES MICHAEL LESSANE, was born on July 14, 1955 to the late Homer D. Lessane and Geraldine Lessane in Elizabethtown, North Carolina. On Thursday, June 16, 2011 Michael suddenly departed this life.

Michael, as he was affectionately known, found Christ at an early age and was baptized at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Roberson County, North Carolina in 1962. he moved to Baltimore, Maryland in 1969.

He was educated in the Baltimore City School System and Howard County Public School where upon graduation he entered Lincoln University in Oxford, Pennsylvania. Upon completion of his studies he received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. During his college years he was an accomplished athlete where he excelled in track and field, which led Lincoln University to the Penn Relays, where he set the record in the mile relay. Michael also pledged Alpha Phi Alpha, Nu Chapter and was a dedicated member.

Michael was business savvy and excelled in the field of Marketing. At his time of death he was employed by Manheim Auctioneer, a division of Cox Communication of Atlanta, Georgia where he held the title of Ford Fleet Coordinator. Because he was such a go-getter, Michael also worked at Whitman Coins as a Coordinator.

He had a passion for music and enjoyed playing his guitar for hours. At times falling asleep with his guitar. Sports were another favorite of his. He enjoyed playing and watching basketball, football and track and field.

His love for his family can't be put into words. He loved attending family get togethers and outings, visiting and always willing to lend a helping hand without being asked.

He was a Mr.Fix-it (knew he could build/fix anything). He also was the best grilled and landscaper. A regular Energizer Bunny with a lawnmower mowing over anything/ everyone in his way.

Michael leaves to cherish his memory: a loving son, Javon Lessane; mother, Geraldine Lessane; one brother, James Lessane; five aunts, Maxine, Brenda, Sharon, Fordie and Julie; three uncles, Grover Lee, Willie and David; one great- uncle, Clifford Grimes; two nieces, one nephew, one great-nephew, two special cousins, Glenn and Dawn; a host of cousins, other relatives and many, many friends. Also a special and loved friend, Jean.

God has a way of letting His love shine through us to others and Michael was blessed to have the love of an extended (special) family. Ma Burgess, as she was known, and William Burgess (deceased) love and adored Michael as their own son. Along with Mike and Chuck Burgess who loved him as a brother.

Whether it be a smile, a kind spoken word, a silly joke or helping hand, truly he shall be missed.

# Cemetery Details

## King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21244  
(410) 944-8300  
info@kingmemorialpark.com  
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

**JUN 24.** 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
info@marchfh.com

## Family Hour

**JUN 24.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
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## Wake

JUN 25. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
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## Service

JUN 25. 9:30 AM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *If you're one of my cousins plz hit me up! Idk any of y'all and wanna connect* ”

**Javan L** - July 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM



“ *Charles Michael Lessane* ”

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Jean lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael Lessane* ”



**Jean** - October 03, 2021 at 08:48 PM



*Missing you Michael*

**Jean** - October 03, 2021 at 08:50 PM



“ *miss u dad* ”

**Javan Michael** - May 08, 2020 at 01:58 PM

JE

“ 4 years have gone and you are still loved and missed. I will never forget such a wonderful person who I will always love. miss you so much  
Love Jean

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jean - June 17, 2015 at 06:57 AM



“ It doesn't seem like a whole year has gone by, since God took you away. It's still hard to say good bye, but I know one day I'll see you again. I miss you. 1 love

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June 16, 2012 at 02:31 AM

JA

“ there were so many memories with Michael they were all good, we would just get in his car and drive until we got somewhere. get a hotel room go site seeing like tourist, whether we were in New York or Baltimore or somewhere else. One of my favorite trips was when we went to the Bahamas. We drove up in the hill to a concerts and we would go swimming on the beach late at night. the hotel room was so small it didn't even have a air conditioner on a fan, but we still had a good time. I remember just having a good time hanging out with Michael. He always made you laugh and smile. LUV Ya Michael. Jean

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Jean Austin - July 14, 2011 at 10:03 AM



“ *Michael,*  
*It's been a while since we last talked. However, anytime I think of LU I have to think of you. We shared many special moments there that I will always remember, like the times I would go to your track meets to cheer you on. You were like a gazelle (fast and swift) going around the track only to throw up after the meet. (smile) What about hanging out in Laney, McCrary and Rendall Halls...or the times we would go visit your dad, Aunt Essie and cousin in New York. Those were some fun times. I guess you're finally reunited with them and others now.*

*Michael you were always so full of life and fun. You may be gone but not forgotten.*

*Remebering you always,*  
*Darlene Kates*

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**Darlene Kates** - July 09, 2011 at 08:33 PM

SR

“ *Shar Roberson lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael Lessane*



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**Shar Roberson** - June 29, 2011 at 10:27 PM

JA

“ *Jean Austin lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael Lessane*



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**Jean Austin** - June 27, 2011 at 09:18 PM

JA

“ *Jean Austin lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael Lessane*



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**Jean Austin** - June 27, 2011 at 09:18 PM

JA

“ *you brought nothing but joy and love into my life. i'll always appreciate your love and the laughter we shared. One Jean*

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**Jean Austin** - June 27, 2011 at 09:16 PM

PD

“ *One of my favorite memories of you Michael is going to the Jacksons Victory tour in the 80's. It's so ironic that you are laid to rest on the same day the King of Pop died. You both left this earth too soon, but I will miss you more. Everything you did was significant and my memories are fond and many. I saw your face on this page and wept. Then, I saw your face on this page again and smiled. You always made me smile and you were always happy and smiling. Love to the 10th power my friend. Always, Always, Love. Penny.*

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**Penny Dickerson** - June 25, 2011 at 07:44 PM

PD

“ *Penny Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael Lessane*



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**Penny Dickerson** - June 25, 2011 at 07:33 PM

MB

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Michael Steven Burgess** - June 24, 2011 at 02:21 PM

MB

*photo Charles M. Lessane*

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**mike burgess** - December 13, 2024 at 05:19 PM

MB

“ 39 files added to the tribute wall



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**Michael Steven Burgess** - June 24, 2011 at 02:13 PM

JM

“ *Julie Moore lit a candle in memory of Charles Michael Lessane*



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**Julie Moore** - June 24, 2011 at 01:16 PM

JM

“ Mike worked for us over the past few years installing and helping with events. I have grown to admire Mike. Anything we needed he was always there. I want to express my sincere condolences to Mike's family. I am so sorry to hear of this tragedy. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Julie Moore  
SnapSports  
Salt Lake City, Utah

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**Julie Moore** - June 24, 2011 at 01:16 PM

JL

“ 1 file added to the album Michael and Son



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**Javan Lessane** - June 23, 2011 at 02:56 PM

FM

Wow! You have really grown into your own and look alot like your Dad...

Love, Auntie Faye

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**Faye Mahone** - June 23, 2011 at 03:01 PM

RM

“ I really looked forward to spending time with you this summer and learning from you. I will love you always DAD.

Javan

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**robyn major** - June 23, 2011 at 12:41 PM

FM

*Hello Robyn, Please get my # from Shar and call me soon. Love You...Faye:-)*

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**Faye Mahone** - June 23, 2011 at 03:03 PM

DM

*Javan, your Dad was a friend to all. He was a good guy and he loved you very much! Uncle Art and I remember well just how much. We love you....Aunt Dione and Uncle Art*

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**Dione Mitchell** - June 23, 2011 at 07:32 PM

KN

*Robyn & Javan:*

*Robyn, as you know Mike and I met during our freshman week at LU. I remember vividly when the two of you met. Javan is a product of that extraordinary connection that you felt then. Please accept my condolences for your loss. Javan, your Dad had a very wholesome spirit. He was personable, easy-going, well-liked, and loved by many. My prayers are with both of you.*

*Karen Nicholas*

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**Karen Nicholas** - June 27, 2011 at 07:59 AM



“ *What is Death?*

*Death is nothing at all.  
I have only slipped away into the next room.  
I am I and you are you.  
Whatever we were to each other,  
that we still are.*



*Call me by my old familiar name.  
Speak to me in the easy way  
which you always used.  
Put no difference in your tone.  
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.*

*Laugh as we always laughed  
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.  
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.  
Let my name be ever the household word  
that it always was.  
Let it be spoken without affect,  
without the trace of a shadow on it.*

*Life means all that it ever meant.  
It is the same that it ever was.  
There is absolutely unbroken continuity.  
Why should I be out of mind  
because I am out of sight?*

*I am waiting for you,  
for an interval,  
somewhere very near,  
just around the corner.*

*All is well.  
~ Henry Scott Holland*



*My Dear Brother Michael, I know you know how we felt about each other and I will leave it at that...Until we meet again My Heart,RIP...:-)*

**Belinda Mahone** - June 23, 2011 at 09:22 AM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Michael Taliaferro Myers** - June 23, 2011 at 03:21 AM

MM

“ *With Love & Laughter*

*Love is a special gift given with thought  
Laughter is a feelin' neither sold nor bought  
They blend together so well and true  
One always complimenting the other, just as good friends do....  
One without the other just isn't complete  
Like a house that's not a home  
Or a chair that's not a seat  
We all know that friends come and go ....in this precious life  
And laughter is rare ...among the stress and strife  
So to you my friend  
Thanks for the two.....  
from yours truly .....*

*“The Double Dutch Crew”!*

*Michael T. Myers*

**Michael T. Myers** - June 22, 2011 at 08:09 PM

BM

“ Mike i will always remember you always had a smile on your face no matter what was going on. You will forever be in my heart bro. I love you Mike rest in peace.

*Bruce Miller*

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**Bruce Miller** - June 22, 2011 at 07:52 PM

MM

“ *"The Makings of You" REMARKABLE !!!!*

*Myers*

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**Michael T. Myers** - June 22, 2011 at 07:14 PM



*CHARLES MICHAEL LASSANE*

*WORDS CAN NOT EXPRESS THE HAPPYNESS U HAVE PLACE IN OUR HEARTS, AND WE WILL GREATLY MISS U . I AM SORRY THAT THIS HAS HAPPEN. YOU DID NOT DESERVE THIS, MAY U BE THE LORD JESUS CHRIST NOW. 06/23/11*

*YOUR FRIEND ? I CAN NOT LEAVE MY NAME*

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**LAUREN DORSEY** - June 23, 2011 at 01:26 PM



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**Michael Myers** - June 22, 2011 at 07:01 PM

MM

*Thank you for sharing your life with me! Until we meet again....I love you.....Myers*

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**Michael Taliaferro Myers** - June 22, 2011 at 07:42 PM

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“ 6 files added to the album *My Brother, My Friend*



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**Michael Burgess** - June 22, 2011 at 02:36 PM

RM

“ 1 file added to the album *Michael and Son*



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**Robyn Major** - June 22, 2011 at 02:09 PM

RM

“ 3 files added to the album *Michael and Son*



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**Robyn Major** - June 22, 2011 at 02:07 PM

MB

“ 6 files added to the album *My Friend*



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**Michael Burgess** - June 22, 2011 at 01:59 PM

JE

“ *Every day we spend together will always be the best days of my life, love you forever Jean*

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**jeanne** - June 21, 2011 at 08:22 PM

RJ

“ I send my heartfelt condolences to the family of Charles. Losing a loved one is so hard to come to terms with, and I can imagine the pain you are going through. Life in this world is hard enough, but to add to it we have to suffer the loss of our loved ones. Therefore, many people wonder, Is this all that life is all about. To live a few years on this earth and then end up in death. No wonder in the Bible Job said: "man born of woman is short-lived and glutted with agitation. But this is not God's purpose for people. He desires us to be happy and live eternally in peaceful conditions. This is why he sent us his beloved son Jesus to undo the sorrow Adam brought upon all of us. 1st Cor 15:22 promises: For just as in Adam all are dying, so also in the Christ all will be made alive. Verse 26 promises: As the last enemy, death will be brought to nothing. One day soon Daniel 12:2 promises that there will be many of those asleep in the ground of dust who will wake up. Yes, they will hear Jesus's voice and come out of the memorial tombs. John 5:28,29. May you be comforted by God's promise of life everlasting in paradise.

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**Rita Johnson** - June 20, 2011 at 01:38 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

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**March Funeral Homes** - June 20, 2011 at 10:31 AM