

***OUR SINCERE THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT & PRAYERS***

We, the family of Howard J. Plouff, wish to express our enduring gratitude to the people of the Winston Salem area. Since our world was shattered, never to be the same, on the night of February 23, 2007, you all have been there, and continue to be there, for Joyce, for the girls, and for all of us. We came here determined to bring our girls home with us. Today we leave here knowing that they are already home and that they always have been home.

Our most heartfelt thanks, of course, are reserved for the Winston-Salem Police Department. As we look into the eyes of you brave and caring men and women- of every race and every age- you remind us of our Howard. Each in your own way, you reflect back all that was great in him. And to the strong and courageous leaders of the force: Police Chief Pat Norris, Captain Patricia Murray, and so many more, those seen and unseen, you are an inspiration and a comfort to us all. Howard always felt blessed to have you, and now we understand why.

In his death, as in life, Howard Plouff has brought this community together. What God and Howard and each of you have wrought let no man tear asunder. Above all else, Howard J. Plouff was a devoted husband and great father. He is all about responsibility, hard work, strength, courage, kindness, gentleness, caring, and good humor.

Howard leaves us three powerful and special women. We turn to you, the people of Clemmons, Lewisville and Winston-Salem to continue to love, embrace, support, and challenge these three future leaders. No one could deserve them more, and we feel blessed to have each and every one of you in their lives and in ours.

Through our tears and mourning let us join our hearts and share in honoring Howard's spirit- as so many of you have shared with Joyce over the past few days.

Howard was always a man of action more than words, as he was on his final night. May we all be more like Howard. May we love each other, and be unafraid to act with courage, kindness and compassion.

God Bless You, Winston-Salem. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. So many have reached out in countless ways, big and small. We cannot begin to thank you all, but please know that no gesture is forgotten.

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