



## Jeffrey Alan Hearrell

October 9, 1955 - August 29, 2021

Jeffrey Alan Hearrell, 65, passed away in the arms of loved ones on Sunday, August 29, 2021, in Charlotte, NC.

Jeffrey was born in Ravenna, Ohio, on October 9, 1955, to Raphael and Wilma Hearrell. Jeff spent his childhood in Ravenna and graduated from Ravenna High School in 1974. He went on to attend Kent State University. In the Spring of 1986, he moved his family to Charlotte, NC to pursue his career in business administration, which included working for Children's Palace, Target, Toys "R" Us, and most recently, managing Plaza Appliance Mart in Mathews, NC. Jeff's life was centered around his family and he worked hard every day to provide them with everything they needed and more. This November 29th, Jeff and his wife Paula would be celebrating their 35th anniversary. Jeff could always be counted on and tried his best to attend every important event in his family's lives. He enjoyed watching sports during his free time but his most loved hobby was golf. His dream was to one day play a round of golf at Augusta National Golf Course. Jeffrey was kind-hearted and gentle and showed it through his love of animals; his family often joked that sometimes they thought he cared more about the pets than them. Anyone that knew Jeffrey will remember him for his infectious smile and compassionate soul; he would go out of his way to help others. This past year has been quite difficult for Jeffrey and his family, as he lost his brother, Larry Hearrell, in April and his father, Raphael Hearrell, in June. Jeffrey attended Central Church of

God and was a strong believer in Christ. His family has peace knowing he is in heaven surrounded by all of his loved ones and they have comfort knowing one day they will be reunited with him again.

Jeff is survived by his wife Paula (Lusby) Hearrell; his children: Jason (Misty) Young, Amy (Jerry) Gulu, Kalie (Robert) Johnson, Tony (Kelsey) Hearrell, Casey (Chris) Dial, and Korie Hearrell; his mother: Wilma Hearrell; his brother: Tim (Robin) Hearrell; and his grandchildren; Izabella, Madelyn, Danika, Ayden, Allison, Britlee, Cashton, Fenley, Gabe, and Kali. He is further survived by his honorary brother Keith (Kelly) Johnston along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends.

Jeff's family has given the family of Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home the privilege of caring for him and for them. A service celebrating Jeff's life will be held at 11 AM on Saturday, September 4, 2021, at the Central Church, 5301 Sardis Rd, Charlotte, NC 28270. Services will be streamed and the link to join will be posted here before the service.

The family would like to say a special thank you to Plaza Appliance Mart, Central Church, Calvary Church, Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home and all the family and friends that have stepped in to help them through this difficult time. May God bless you all.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

SEP 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Central Church

5301 Sardis Rd

Charlotte, NC 28270

<https://www.centralnc.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell* ”



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**Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home** - September 02, 2021 at 02:42 PM

CA

“ Hey daddy,

*Today is hard on the family. 4 years without feels like an eternity but the pain of you being gone feels like it just happened. I'm angry that all the moments we could have shared with you are forever gone.*

*The thirst to talk to to you and hear you drives me insane at times and can't be quenched. I just want people to talk about you more. I want to hear all your silly moments and amazing stories. I think everyone is still so sad that even sharing the happy memories brings sadness. Yesterday at staff meeting we got to share a photo that would crush us if we lost it. I showed the photo of our family when we visited Ohio for Grandpa's funeral. I told them this was the last family photo I would ever have. That was just 2 short months before we lost you. That picture is still my Screensaver on my phone and computer, it's printed on my classroom wall and hanging in a frame in my stairwell at home. You are so much a part of this family and in losing you I've been able to help so many people deal with loss of their loved ones. God has given me purpose with this but it still doesn't make the pain and sadness any easier.*

*I did talk to your brother yesterday. He's doing okay and hanging in there. Grandma isn't doing so well right now and sadly she might be coming home with you soon. I know you'll be waiting there when she does. You and grandpa and Larry will all be reunited. Tell Jesus I said hi and to hold our little family tight right now. I love you so much daddy.*

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**Casey** - August 29, 2025 at 08:35 AM

CD

“ Happy Father's Day, daddy! This time of year always sucks. It's a reminder of all the things we loss so fast. I still think of you often, though now I try to focus on all the happy memories I have of you. Like when you would make the straw wrappers look like growing worms at restaurants. I love you so much and wish I could be in your presence. I know you're having the best time today though with your daddy and the greatest father of all. ❤️

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**Casey Dial** - June 15, 2025 at 01:47 PM


CA

“ Hey daddy,  
Christmas is next week and of course all I can think about is you. November through December was centered around your work and you and moms anniversary. Little memories keep coming up like helping you with Toys R Us during Black Friday and bringing you lunch and dinner because you always had to work overtime. Mom always made sure we got many opportunities to see you and you always took the time to pause and spend a little time with us. I'm missing you reading the nativity story before we opened presents. I'm missing waiting impatiently for mom to make your cup of coffee so we could start opening presents. I'm missing you being so excited to give us the one gift you specially picked out for us. I know you thought your efforts went unnoticed a lot but I saw you. I sit here wondering how it's already been four Christmases without you. And I can't bare to think of the many more that you won't be here. Our family is struggling without you. I mean we're getting by and we're all living life but we're not okay without you. You always said we would be but you were so wrong. There's this emptiness and longing that can't be satisfied. Even when I feel like I'm okay, that I'm in good spirits, I still feel this deep agony. I need your hugs, I need your "I love yous," I need you bragging about us kids and how proud you were, I need our conversations where you helped me through my troubles...I just need you. A little girl is incomplete without her daddy. I really do hope that Christmas in heaven is incredible. I can't wait until I get to experience that with you. I love you so much; Merry Christmas, daddy.

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Casey - December 19, 2024 at 06:33 PM

CA

“ Happy Father's Day daddy! I love you and miss you more than seems feasibly possible. 

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Casey - June 16, 2024 at 01:13 PM



“ *Dad, I miss you. Thanksgiving isn't the same without you, nor is it the same when we were all home. I wish I could talk with you and you could help me through some things; you had the best advice and I really need it. You had wisdom like no one else. I love you. It's really hard without you.*

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**Casey** - November 25, 2023 at 05:09 PM



“ *Jeffrey Alan Hearrell*

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October 05, 2023 at 07:26 AM

CA

“Daddy, I miss you so much. I've been grieving a lot lately over you. I hear songs we liked and your voice comes flooding back telling me why you liked it, then I'm sobbing like a baby driving down the road. I was at the beach last week and I got choked up seeing a new golf store I know you'd like to visit. I've been dreaming about you a lot lately too but they're not as vivid as they use to be, which hurts my heart. I really want to hear your voice again. I know I'm strong and I'm doing fine but I need your validation. I miss hearing how proud you are of me or how much you love me. I hate knowing I have to move forward in life and you're not going to be here with us to be a part of it. I got to see Fenley recently and she's getting so big and she's so independent. Allison, Britlee, and Cashton miss you so much and they are doing so well! Gabe graduated high school and Kali is doing so well too. Ayden's playing football and is so handsome, and Izzy, Maddi, and Dani are so beautiful!!! Your memory isn't going away here. We're all grieving you and wishing you were back here with us. Your memories are so cherished but we wish you were here. Aunt Cheri is with now and Zane has come there too. I know yohr hugging them both so tight for us. We love you dad. I'm sorry if I didn't say it or show it enough to you. Please keep looking over us and visiting me in my dreams. I love you so much.

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**Casey** - June 28, 2023 at 10:34 AM

CA

“Dad, I could really use your ear right now. I have so many thoughts I need to share and questions I need you to answer. You were always wise enough to help me think through things. If you get this, please come visit me in a dream and help me know what I should do. I really need you.

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**Casey** - February 06, 2023 at 07:13 PM

CA

“ Hi daddy, I'm feeling your loss a lot lately. I went months feeling so numb to everything but this last week has been hard on me. Little triggers are getting to me, like watching Alexander Hamilton. I remember us watching that together the first time and looking up information and your "wow" at the end of it. I've seen it numerous times since then but this last time when I watched it I had to get up and leave. I cried. Last night I begin thinking about you and how you won't be here for Thanksgiving. Mom doesn't even want to cook and I don't blame her. Thanksgiving will never be the same without you. Last year was easy because we didn't do it, we went on vacation instead. It kept me busy and that made it easier. I miss you. It's not okay that you're gone. We need you. I'm not ready to move on.

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**Casey** - November 15, 2022 at 07:32 AM



“ *Jeffrey Alan Hearrell*

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October 24, 2022 at 08:52 PM

CD

“ Hey daddy,  
We drove up to Ohio for the first time since you left us. As we drove I was flooded with memories from the many times we took this trip before with you. The sadness in my heart still comes but I don't know how to express it anymore. I just grasp my bracelet and recite the words you told me. We went to the Ohio State Homecoming game and tailgated, went to the Skull Crusher , and watched the game. It was fun and I enjoyed it. I laughed and smiled and cheered but I kept thinking about the first time we came to a game here. You were so excited to share this experience with us; to tell us what everything meant and what to expect. It was and is everything you said. It isn't the same without you though. I wanted to send you pictures tonight or call you to talk about the Shrek themed halftime show from the band. You always made Ohio magical for us and I'm so thankful for that. I'll be sure my kids appreciate it too. I love you daddy. ❤️ It's never going to be okay without you.

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Casey Dial - October 01, 2022 at 07:59 PM

CD

“ Hey daddy, I really miss you. I've found myself unable to get emotional over tragedies anymore. We've lost some more people and I feel sadness for them but I can't bring myself to cry. It's been months that I've truly cried for you. I hurt a lot but I can't cry. Makes me feel even worse. On a side note I know how you feel now when you use to say you're tired of being told your wrong. Apparently I know nothing because everyone around me likes to tell me I'm wrong day to day about things that I know I'm right. It's silly but it definitely makes you feel terrible so I get it now. I'm sorry when I made you feel that way. I am doing okay though. I just feel like I'm having a lot of issues with trauma but I'm hanging in there. I love you a ton and miss you so very much! Say hi to Loki for us.

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Casey Dial - July 24, 2022 at 04:39 PM

CA

“ Hey daddy, I'm struggling right now. This season doesn't feel right without you. You are always my hardest person to shop for because you never wanted anything. Around this time we'd be out shopping and visiting your work to bring you lunch or dinner. That was our way of making you feel included. On Christmas day you'd say you couldn't function until you have your coffee and you'd gripe at us that we need to remember what this day is all about. It doesn't feel like Christmas. It feels empty and pointless. The gifts don't matter this year, celebrating feels unwelcoming. This is all wrong. The only thing that is right is that you get to celebrate Christmas with Jesus this year; I know that makes you happy. Please keep visiting me in my dreams. Don't let my memories of you fade. I love you always.

Casey - December 14, 2021 at 06:09 PM

CD

“ Daddy,  
It's been a month and a half since we lost you and although it's only been a short while, I'm still struggling. I get angry so easily knowing I can't hug you or see you in person again. I'm saddened by all the moments you're going to miss with us. I know in time it will be less painful but every day right now is an emotional roller coaster and all I can think about is you. Even during my lunch break I have to play a game on my phone or work because if I stop for a minute and do nothing, I think about you and my heart hurts all over again. I know you're in a better place and that's supposed to make me feel better. Sometimes it does but not always because I'm selfish and I want you here, even though here was a hard place for you. I love you so much daddy. Please let grandpa, Larry, Britton, and all our passed loved ones know I love them too. ❤️



Casey Hearrell Dial - October 12, 2021 at 04:07 PM

CR

“ My sincere condolences to the family of Jeff Hearrell. I met Jeff as a recent new customer of Plaza Appliance in Matthews. He was friendly, professional and accommodating. I ordered 4 appliances Memorial Day weekend and 2 July 4th weekend. When I returned to make a change on appliance number 6, Jeff just said we want the customer to be happy and went ahead and made the change. Despite the death of Jeff's father and the shortage of appliances nationwide, everything was delivered by the end of July. So when a friend recently needed a new refrigerator quickly, I referred her to Jeff. It was only then I learned of his passing. In watching the video, I was glad to see he had a good life and was much loved. May he rest in peace and may his memory be a blessing to his family and friends.

Cheryl Rolph - October 09, 2021 at 11:40 AM



“ Wildflower Seeds - Build A Memory Garden was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



September 08, 2021 at 06:31 PM



“ Gable Gift Box was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



September 08, 2021 at 06:29 PM

JH

“ *Our hearts are broken. We were so sorry to hear about the death of Mr. Hearrell. He was one of the kindest people we've ever known. He was always warm and inviting and would greet you with the best hugs. We pray that God will give you strength and comfort during this very difficult time. He will be missed.*

*Much Love,  
Jennifer Hairston and family*

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**Jennifer Hairston** - September 04, 2021 at 12:42 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.*



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September 03, 2021 at 03:30 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.*



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September 02, 2021 at 03:42 PM

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“ Nick and RaeAnn Dial family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



Nick and RaeAnn Dial family - September 02, 2021 at 10:32 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



September 02, 2021 at 09:26 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



September 02, 2021 at 08:50 AM

PA

“ PLAZA APPLIANCE-HUNTERSVILLE purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



PLAZA APPLIANCE-HUNTERSVILLE - September 02, 2021 at 08:43 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.*



September 01, 2021 at 10:03 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.*



September 01, 2021 at 09:51 PM



“ *Dear Jeffrey, I am still in shock. I can hear your voice and picture your smile and will NEVER forget you. You were such a loving , fun and caring person and will miss your hugs and I love you when we saw each other. My crazy calls when life was a bit too much and you always listened. I love you and will miss you Big Brother . Love your little sister Dawn*

**Dawn Johnston Pierson** - September 01, 2021 at 09:39 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.*



September 01, 2021 at 09:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



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September 01, 2021 at 09:14 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Alan Hearrell.



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September 01, 2021 at 08:37 PM