



Dale R. "D.J." Dietze, Jr.

March 28, 1989 - November 21, 2011

Dale R. "D.J." Dietze, Jr. passed away at his residence on Monday, November 21, 2011 at the age of 22. He was a native and lifelong resident of Metairie. D.J. was an outstanding college student at Tulane University and as a senior was expected to graduate this December with a double major in Political Economy and International Relations. His plan was to attend Law School next fall. He was a motivational speaker with Liberation through Education with at risk youth.

D.J. is survived by his beloved parents, Dale R. Dietze, Sr. and Suzanne Mistretta Dietze; sister, Jennifer L. Dietze; grandmothers, JoAnn Avocado Bowers and Patricia Mistretta; uncles, Julius W. Dietze, III and Bruce Yarbrough; aunts, JoAnn Dietze Yarbrough and Erin Marie Bowers; and cousins, Joseph Yarbrough, II and Christopher Yarbrough. He is also survived by other family members and many friends.

D.J. was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Julius William Dietze, Jr. and Alex Mistretta; and step-grandfather, Kenneth Bowers.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Funeral Service at L.A. Muhleisen and Son Funeral Home, 2929 Metairie Rd., Metairie on Saturday, November 26, 2011 at 12:00 noon. Visitation will begin at 9:00 a.m. Interment in St. Patrick Cemetery No. 2.

In lieu of flowers, donations preferred in his memory to Liberation through Education, 3500 North Hullen St., Metairie, LA 70002, 1-888-467-7927.

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick Cemetery No. 2

143 City Park Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70113

Tribute Wall



“ Dale R. "D.J." Dietze, Jr.

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM

TS

“ Dale, Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family in this time of sorrow. so sorry for your loss.

Tim Stogner - November 29, 2011 at 04:22 PM

KL

“ DJ it was a pleasure, I can't believe you're gone. You were never afraid to share your opinion and make your presence felt, I always respected you for that. May the grass be greener on the other side, condolences to your friends and family.

Lucky

Katie A. Lucky-Heard - November 29, 2011 at 03:53 PM

DZ

“ To DJ's family - my deepest sympathies for your loss. DJ was a student in several of my classes, and he was bright, articulate, and a joy to have in class! He will be sorely missed!

Dana Zartner
Professor, Tulane University

Dana Zartner - November 29, 2011 at 11:47 AM

SF

“ Sue & family~You are in my thoughts and Prayers~today is such a difficult day~no parent should have to bury their child~Please know I am thinking of you and sending you comfort and peace my friend~

Sheryl J.Hartzheim & Family - November 26, 2011 at 10:39 AM

JW

“ D.J. My heart hurts. You were a true inspiration to me- while I journeyed through Tulane.

Jane Wolfe - November 25, 2011 at 06:24 PM

GM

“ Dale and family, our thoughts and prayers are with y'all.

Gaye G. Mladenoff - November 24, 2011 at 11:25 AM

AM

“ Dietze family y'all are in my heart and prays during this special time. If theres is anything I can do please let me know. Amy Monnerjahn

Amanda Monnerjahn - November 23, 2011 at 11:50 PM

GP

“ DJ was a joy to know. I can't believe he has died and I feel so sad for his family as well as for all of us who were lucky enough to call him our friend. Only Saturday he was voting and Monday he was gone. Unbelievable. DJ was a welcomed volunteer during my Congressional campaign in 2008. He had optimistic plans to make a difference in the political arena. Time ran out but not before he made a tremendous difference in the lives of all who knew him. Love you, DJ. You accomplished so much in your 22 short years.

Gilda Werner Reed, Ph.D. - November 23, 2011 at 08:31 AM

DL

“ I am a GMAC retiree from Baton Rouge. I did not know Dale or his family but my deepest sympathy to your family. Having lost a daughter at age 26 I know the depth of your pain and the unanswered questions twirling in your head. I am so sorry for your loss and will pray for some type of peace and comfort for you as a family.

Sincerely,
Dewey Lofton

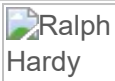
Dewey Lofton - November 23, 2011 at 07:59 AM

MD

Dear Suzanne,
I am so sorry to hear about DJ. We are all better people by having known him. You have my prayers and I want you to know that I have never seen such dedication from a mother as I did with you and DJ.

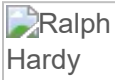
Sincerely,
Mary D'Anna

Mary T. D'Anna - November 26, 2011 at 03:13 PM



“ To Dale Jr.'s family; My prayers and thoughts are with your entire family in this time of need.If there is anything that me or any of my family can do for your family,PLEASE let me know ASAP and we will be there!! Always your friend, Ralph Hardy III.

Ralph Hardy - November 23, 2011 at 07:44 AM



“ Ralph Hardy lit a candle in memory of Dale R. "D.J." Dietze, Jr.



Ralph Hardy - November 23, 2011 at 07:32 AM

LC

DJ was a Jefferson Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Recipient when he graduated from Grace King. We were all so inspired by him and his dedication to life. Our deepest sympathy to family and friends.
Jefferson Dollars for Scholars Board and Staff

Lisa Conescu - November 23, 2011 at 10:37 AM