



Tim Woodward

September 14, 1957 - February 6, 2026

With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of Timothy Woodward, a devoted, loving husband, beloved friend, and truly one-of-a-kind soul. He was called home to be with Jesus on February 6, 2026, at the age of 68.

For 13 years and 5 months, Tim shared a deep and unwavering love with his wife, Esther, who was the center of his world. Their marriage was filled with love, laughter, music, companionship, and a bond built on devotion, friendship, and joy. He loved her fiercely and completely. A steady presence, a true partner, best friend, and a source of unwavering love. He showed his devotion not only through words, but through everyday acts of care, patience, and kindness.

Tim was born on September 14, 1957, in Melvindale, Michigan, to Harold and Mildred Woodward.

He was a devoted brother to his loving sister, Karen Dameworth. Tim was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Venetia, and his sister, Karen (Mark). He is survived by 3 children: daughters, Tara Steel, Angela Woodward (Steve), and son Tim Woodward (Kelsey), and 2 step-daughters, Melanie Berlin (Stephen) and Jessica Green (Michael). He had 4 grandchildren: Jack Steel, Aiden Steel, Brooklyn Woodward, Emerson Woodward, and 2 step-grandchildren: Grayson Green and Riley Green. He was loved and survived

by his Aunt Jenny, nieces and nephews, and many other family.

Tim loved God and sought to live a life that reflected God in his daily walk. His faith was reflected in the way he loved, forgave, and showed grace, and serving God brought him comfort and hope throughout his life. Having endured a lot of sorrow, sickness and pain, his favorite Bible verse was Psalm 30:5, "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

Tim was known for his fun-loving spirit, and his unique sense of humor that could catch you off guard and leaving you smiling long after the moment passed. He had a special way of turning ordinary moments into meaningful memories.

Tim's life's work included roles as Vice President of American Metal Processing Company, owning Freight Logistics Trucking for 8 years, also owning 3 restaurants: "Grilled Hotdog Stand." In later years, he worked part time for Advance Auto, enjoyed being hired for handyman work, also piano tuning.

Music was one of his great joys and passion, and he listened and felt it deeply. Music was a constant presence in his life, and his strong sense of professionalism reflected his commitment to doing things well. He began playing as a teen, traveling and playing the piano and singing with various Southern Gospel groups, and was most known for 25 years with The New Generation Singers. He also had a special fascination with buses, owning 8 and enjoyed driving them and custom remodeling.

He found deep peace and happiness in the Great Smoky Mountains of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, a place he loved dearly. Being on vacation was the highlight of his life. He also enjoyed going up north by the water with his wife, Esther. He proposed to her on the pier in Port Austin, Michigan.

A celebration of Tim's life will be held on Saturday, February 14, at Mandziuk & Son's Funeral Home.

A visitation will take place the morning of from 10:00AM to 12:00PM, with the service at 12:00PM Noon.

Though our hearts ache, and his time here feels far too short, his love, laughter, and gentle spirit will live on in the hearts of all who knew him- especially in the heart of his wife, who will forever carry him with her. He will be deeply missed, endlessly loved, and never forgotten. He is now resting in the arms of Jesus, and we find comfort in knowing that we will be reunited one day. But, until then, he will live on in our hearts and in the memories we cherish.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 14. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Funeral Service

FEB 14. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tim Woodward.*



February 12 at 03:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tim Woodward.

February 12 at 03:34 PM



“ *I m so shocked to hear of his passing.. My belated hubby works at Melvindale Stamping Co and he is deaf and teaches Tim sign languages.. I was wondering where is Tim, he s not on Fb lately.. My condolences goes to you and his family, I m really so sad about him.. My heart goes out to you Esther 🙏🌸📧*

Dorothy Zito - February 09 at 07:44 PM



Thank you Dorothy. Tim loved using sign language and he continued to use it often when speaking! He talked fondly of the ones he worked with who he learned it from. He is sorely missed, my heart is broke. Thank you for your message.

Esther Woodward - April 18 at 09:35 AM

KB

“ I remember the 1st time I met You Tim and your sweet wife Esther. It was at a Gospel Concert @ My Pentecostal Church of God Campgrounds in Columbiaville, Michigan in 2018. I have managed to stay in contact with you both at various concerts since then. The most recent was on my birthday- September 12,2025 in Flint. God bless you Tim, I know you are feeling great and happy living in your New Home- Heaven! ❤️🙏

Kathy Brackenridge - February 09 at 07:11 PM

JR

To Sistah Esther Woodward! YOU SISTAH HAVE MY PRAYERS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE YOU HAVE LIVED WITH YOUR HUSBAND AND THE MEMRIES YOU WILL CHERISH FOREVER !!HE APPRECIATED MY SONGS RENDERED AND SAID HE WILL LISTENING TO THE SOLOS I DID WITH MY MUSICIAN REV MICHAEL GLOVER , THE LAST TIME WE SHARED MUSIC MINISTRY AT NORTH WARREN FWB ON E CHICAGO RD .!PASTOR BRIAN NEWTON!!GOD HAS A JEWEL NOW TO BEVWITH HIM INNGLORY !YOU!❤️🎵❤️🎵🙏

Jacqueline PT Robinson - February 13 at 08:50 AM

EW

Thank you Sister Jacqueline. Tim really enjoyed your singing and was very impressed with Rev Michael's piano playing! Thank you your prayers. I miss him SO much.

Esther Woodward - April 18 at 09:40 AM

EW

Thank you Kathy. We were blessed with your friendship and enjoyed the times we got to be with you! (Round table Gloryway concert, and yes the campground). Thank you for your prayers, he is happy and healed in Heaven, but life for me here will never be the same without Tim Woodward! I love and miss him SO much!!

Esther Woodward - April 18 at 09:47 AM