



## Mr. Joel "J.B." Catrett

December 22, 2013

CATRETT, Joel "J.B.", 57, of Thonotosassa, Florida, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, went to be with the Lord while at home on December 22, 2013. He will be remembered for his sincere love for people, unrestrained worship to God and boisterous laugh. His memory will be cherished by all whose lives he touched. He is survived by his wife Sheree of 36 years; daughters Jennifer and Danielle; grandsons Jonah and Dylan; mother Dessie Ree; brothers Colin, Don, and Hiram; sisters Brenda and Jacqueline; and many other family and friends. A Celebration of his Life will be held on Saturday, January 4 at 7:00 P.M., at Faith Temple Assembly of God, 4240 N Frontage Rd, Plant City. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to East Point Assembly of God, ATTN: Missions Department, 5337 Garden LN, Tampa 33610. Expressions of condolence at [www.wecare.io](http://www.wecare.io).

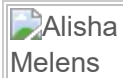
# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 4. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Faith Assembly of God  
4240 N Frontage Rd  
Plant City, FL 33565

# Tribute Wall

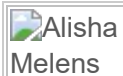


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**Alisha Melens** - February 10, 2014 at 08:06 PM



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MA

“ To the family of Joel,

*We have been blessed to know Joel "JB" for the last 26 years. His powerful spirit and love of life was an inspiration. Seeing him on his route or in the many conversations we had over the years was such a privilege. He is and will forever be so dearly missed. He will definitely be remembered for his wave and wonderful smile. Never will we forget his chuckle and his energy. We want to thank his family and his Lord for lending him to us. God bless and be with you all as he sits with his maker.....Our deepest condolences...Lori & Gerard Abbett*



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**Mr. & Mrs. Abbett** - January 16, 2014 at 10:47 AM

ML

“ J.B.'s kind heart, loving spirit and oh, that LAUGH! will be missed by all who had the good fortune to be associated with this truly one-of-a-kind man. You will be sorely missed, my friend.

*Mike Landry "53"*

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**Mike Landry** - January 10, 2014 at 01:26 PM

SO

“ To Joel's family,  
*I knew Joel in high school, and he's been our mailman in Providence Lakes for as long as I can remember. He was always such a nice man. Please accept my sincere condolences. He will always be with you.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Susan Ober*



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**Susan Ober** - January 10, 2014 at 07:08 AM

MI

“ Sheree.

*Many things can never be explained or fully understood until that day, as His children, we are present with the Lord and His very presence will fill us with answers to our every question. What a huge out pouring of love and remembrance was shared last evening by your loving family and celebrated by a long list of people your husband called his friends!*

*I watched J.B. come to the Brandon Post Office many years ago. Because he was a Rural Carrier, and the nature of our workplace, we didn't often get to interact, but his presence was known and his giving spirit was tangibly experienced by everyone. He was truly one of the reasons that many of us knew some happiness in the mornings. He was a happy and joy filled man. He will be missed by many; as was evidenced by the crowded sanctuary last night! I have watched many come and go in my 30+ years at the P.O. and J.B. will truly be missed by many. Of those, I will consider myself blessed to have known him! Looking over to his workstation will never be the same!*

*Proverbs 8:17, 11:25*

*Michael Brink*

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**Michael** - January 05, 2014 at 06:17 AM

DE

“ Sheree, I am so sorry for your loss. I have spoken to so many of the carriers at work and the one thing that is said most is Brandon will not be the same. He was the heart of that post office. We were blessed to have known him. Tonight's celebration of life was truly touching. Thank you for allowing everyone to hear his wonderful laugh one last time. God bless you and your family

*Deanna*

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**deanna** - January 04, 2014 at 09:09 PM

SG

“ It is so difficult for me to know that J.B. Is gone. Working with him at the Brandon P.O. Was a a pleasure. The team we had when I was there was special and he was our ringleader. J.B. was kind and generous and always had the answer when I had a question. J.B. Was quick to laugh and quick with the snappy comeback. I also enjoyed his love of music and that he shared it with us every day. His taste in music was quite eclectic; everything from Garth Brooks to Barry White, from soggy bottoms boys to Alisha Keys, from Count Basey to K.C. & the Sunshine Band. And then the Christmas music - I always looked forward to the Christmas music! Work was actually kinda fun when he was there.  
Yes, I will miss J.B. But, when I think of him it will be with a smile.

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**Sara Gregory** - January 03, 2014 at 09:48 PM

DR

“ Our prayers and thoughts remain with you and the family. Mr. JB has left an indelible mark in our lives. He is truly missed. My the Lord's perfect strength be strength for you, may His perfect peace continue to give you peace.

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**Drs. Arthur and Hope Reid** - January 03, 2014 at 06:30 AM

SU

“ Joel gave the best, heartfelt hugs and could always make you smile ...with just his smile! He reminded me alot of Uncle Jack. We will miss him immeasurably! S.Pruett

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**susan** - December 30, 2013 at 08:14 PM

CH

“ *Something was missing during our praise and worship today. As a member of the music team I have the privilege of watching people praise and worship God during our praise and worship at East Point Assembly of God. I've often watched J B with both arms raised and tears of joy running down his face praising his God. J B we love you and will miss you.*

*Chester Heath*

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**Chester Heath** - December 29, 2013 at 03:20 PM

CT

*I also felt the loss of JB with his arms raised to the Lord. It is going to take a long time to get used to him being gone from us & with the Lord*

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**Carolyn Traugh** - December 30, 2013 at 02:06 PM

MR

“ *My condolences to the family. May your strong faith in the God of Comfort help you through the difficult days ahead.*

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**Mrs. Robertson** - December 29, 2013 at 11:40 AM

FS

“ *Sheree, there are no words to express how truly sorry I am for your loss. Joel was always a special friend to me. He was a true comfort for me when I lost Tony. He will always have a special place in my heart. All the years we worked together he was a blessing to me. He was loving, caring & a wonderful friend. I know we weren't always in close contact, but I knew if I needed anything he would be there for me. I will miss him. My prayers are with you & the family.*

*Felice Seriel*

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**Felice Seriel** - December 29, 2013 at 10:29 AM

PS

“ You are Sheree and the girls have been part of our lives for over 30 years, The group has worked together at the Thonotosassa Post Office and you are family to us, you will be missed, Prayers for all the family. I will never forget what you guys did for me, when I lost my Kelly, Love you  
Pauline



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**pauline sanders** - December 28, 2013 at 09:31 PM

RE

“ I worked with JB at the Brandon PO from the time he came here...he was always a delight to be around...his smile and laugh would light up your day..everyone at work loved him dearly and appreciated the many thoughtful things he did. He would bring in goodies from the bakery and sometimes better yet from home..he would always make sure we knew he had some good stuff down at his case just to name a few..he ran a store out of our office too...kept it stocked with snacks and drinks..which I believe we are going to keep going...he fought hard to have it there for us...anyway..he is and will continue to be dearly missed...

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**Roni English-Welchons** - December 27, 2013 at 03:57 PM

AF

*Dear Sheree, I recently learned of the sudden loss of your husband. I am so sorry. This is such a shock for the entire family and friends. My condolences to you and your family. May your sweet memories bring comfort and the knowledge that your loved one is with God, bring you peace. Ann Fabel*

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**Ann Fabel** - January 02, 2014 at 09:37 PM

CT

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**carleen taylor** - December 27, 2013 at 03:13 PM

CA

*Sheree & Joel on November 15, 2013*

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**carleen** - December 27, 2013 at 03:41 PM

VP

*Sherry, my heart deeply goes out to you and you family for your loss. EVERYONE who new Joel loved him. He was a good man, good father, good and supporting husband. At the post office we are like a little family and it's like a piece of us has been taken away. We will miss Joel's hearty laugh and all the good times our families and our little family had together. If you ever need someone to just talk or chat with, call me. May Joel R.I.P., prayers and sympathy for you and your family.*

*Virginia Pinker*

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**Virginia Pinker** - December 30, 2013 at 09:20 AM

VB

“ JB has been our mailman at Tuscany Villas for years and hearing about his passing was heartbreaking. It seems odd that the loss of your mailman would bring you to tears but JB wasn't your ordinary mailman. His huge smile and loud laugh were contagious. His daily visits brought light in to our office and his appreciation for the little things in life was inspiring. We know by all of his stories how important his family was to him, how much he loved you all, so our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.



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**Vanessa Blake** - December 27, 2013 at 01:17 PM

JV

“ JB, Sheree and family are our dearest friends. Our families have had so many special times together. I will always remember JB's joyous laugh. He had a hard time getting through his own stories because he started laughing so much and of course, we were laughing with him. He was had very deep emotions and when he talked of God or something very touching in his life he had tears rolling down his cheeks. He was a Godly husband, father, and grandfather. The way he loved God and lived his life was an inspiration to us and everyone he met. We will miss him greatly and will cherish all the good memories. Our prayers are with you! Love you all!

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**Jack & Marshia Vance** - December 27, 2013 at 11:48 AM

PC

“ When my youngest moved to California, Joel was kind enough to burn her a CD of all California music. I don't know how many hours he had invested in that CD. Kristin loved it. Listen to it on her long drive west. Rest in peace dear kind man.

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**Penny Connell** - December 27, 2013 at 06:24 AM

LT

“ I worked with JB for several years at the Brandon Post Office before I retired in 2003. When I look at his picture here, I can still hear his infectious wonderful laugh that was uniquely his. I pray that the Lord would provide comfort and peace to his family and everyone who will miss him. I am grateful to have witnessed the joy he brought so many people here on earth, but believe that his joy is complete in heaven.

*Lorie Tellefsen*

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**Lorie Tellefsen** - December 26, 2013 at 09:18 PM

DJ

“ I don't think a person can be found who didn't like J.B. I feel very fortunate to have been his friend and I feel honored to have known him. I will hear his roaring laugh every time I think of him, but also remember the sweet, gentle way he spoke of his family. He loved to talk about Sheree and the girls and then when his grandsons came along....well, there was no prouder grandpa!! Rest in peace, sweet man.

*Debbie Jenkins*

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**Debbie Jenkins** - December 26, 2013 at 09:12 PM

JH

“ I worked with JB for many years at the Brandon PO. He always thought of others and had a good word for everyone. When the post master stopped doing any kind of celebrations at the PO JB picked up the slack. He even had a "candy store" near his work area and would come and tell me when the coffee was made. JB was well liked and respected and will be greatly missed by everyone who worked with him and his customers too. He was a man that his family can take great pride in. God bless you all.  
Jim Huff

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**Jaames Huff** - December 26, 2013 at 08:57 PM

RE

“ JB was one of the most considerate and honest people I know...I have worked with him since he came to the Brandon PO....he was fun...up beat..and you could hear his laugh all across the floor...he would always bring goodies in that he picked up from costco or the local bakery...always making sure that some of us from the other side of the office knew there were some good stuff down by his case...but the best things he brought in were the home made goodies his wife Sheree or their girls would make...we already miss him terribly in our office...it just isn't the same without him...many say that JB was the Brandon PO...and we all love him very much...he will be forever remembered and missed....Dec 22nd was a sad day for us...but a joyous day in Heaven

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**Roni English-Welchons** - December 26, 2013 at 08:48 PM

JG

“ I remember laughing a lot with JB. Once when we were at a Royal Ranger function they had a comedian for our entertainment, me and JB were sitting near the stage. We were laughing so loud that the comedian told us that he was going to take us on the road with him. I remember a lot of laughter but I also remember a man who loved God with all his heart. I am blessed to have known him down here and I look forward to laughing with him again. I will miss you JB for a short time down here but one day we will worship the together again.

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**Joe Gonzalez** - December 26, 2013 at 05:44 PM

KC

“ J.B. was one of the nicest and happiest guys I have ever known. I worked with him at the post office for several years and he was always so cheerful. I don't know anyone that didn't like him. I can still hear that laugh.  
My sympathies go to his family. He will be missed by everyone.  
Kay Coers

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**Kay Coers** - December 26, 2013 at 04:22 PM

DA

“ 8 files added to the album Joel



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**danjer46** - December 26, 2013 at 03:30 PM

SU

*What wonderful pictures of Joel !! <3*

susan - December 30, 2013 at 08:40 PM

PP

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Philip Palmer - December 25, 2013 at 04:58 PM

SU

*I love this picture!!*

susan - December 30, 2013 at 08:33 PM

PP

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Philip Palmer - December 25, 2013 at 04:54 PM