



# Joseph M. "Joe" Bowden

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**A** celebration of the life of Joseph M. "Joe" Bowden, 54 of Newark will be 10:00 a.m. Friday, March 23, 2012 in the Newark Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home. Burial will be in Lutheran Cemetery.

Joe died Tuesday morning, March 20, 2012 at Licking Memorial Hospital. He was born November 4, 1957 in Newark to Jerry and Amy (Henzy) Bowden of Newark. He was a 1976 graduate of Newark High School. He was the owner of Bowden Construction Company. Joe was a member and past president of Buckeye Valley Building Industry Association. He was an avid hunter and NASCAR fan.

In addition to his parents, Joe is survived by his wife of 34 years, Linda M. (Gilbreath) Bowden, who he married October 8, 1977; a son, Jeffrey M. (Angela) Bowden of Heath; a daughter, Joanna M. (Nick) Kelley of Twinsburg; grandchildren, Nicholas Kelley Jr., and Alyssa Kelley; brothers, John (Deb) Bowden of Ostrander, Jim (Paula) Bowden of Newark, Jake (Karen) Bowden of Heath; sisters, Cindy Bowden Gardner of Newark, and Sam (Mark) Cox of Westerville; father-in-law, Dick Gilbreath of Utica; sister-in-law, Lorraine Gilbreath Monroe of Worthington; 15 nieces and nephews; and 11 great nieces and nephews.

Friends and family may call 4:00p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, March 22, 2012 at VENSIL & CHUTE FUNERAL HOME, 1850 W. Main Street, Newark.



## Tribute Wall

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**Janet Selby** posted:

I went to school with Joe at St Francis and Newark High, and we had many good times together. I have not seen him for many years but am very sad to hear of his passing. Eternal rest grant unto him Oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

April 7 at 5:50 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear family members, we are so sorry for your loss. David and Patty Baumgartner

March 27 at 8:06 AM



**Fritz Peters** posted:

My trips to Ohio will not be the same. Sorry for your loss and my deepest sympathy. Fritz Peters Ketchikan Ak.

March 25 at 8:48 AM



**Pat And Bill Mason** posted:

We were saddened to learn of Joe's passing upon returning from out of state today. Joe was not only considered a personal friend and confidant, but a true craftsman with a brilliant mechanical knowledge and mind. Working together on numerous YMCA projects was both enjoyable and satisfying. He will be missed by those of us who know well the numerous significant contributions he made to the greater Newark community. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to his entire family.

March 25 at 8:47 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

The Jones family Jae, Betsy, Nick, and Sam

March 24 at 1:13 PM



**Rita Scott** posted:

With Deepest Sympathy from the Staff and Children of Young Explorers Child care.

March 24 at 11:14 AM



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CM

**Chris Madden** posted:

Jeffrey, Angela and the Bowden family;I'm so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.Love,Aunt Chris

March 24 at 8:30 AM

DC

**Dawn (Kreager) Campbell** posted:

Linda, My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers continually. My sister and I are deeply saddened that we found the time for calling hours after they were over. Had it not been for dialysis, I would have been at the funeral. Joe was a great friend and loved by my entire family. May God's grace, peace, and comfort be with you now and always.

March 24 at 5:39 AM

MR

**Matt Revercomb** posted:

So sorry to hear about "Uncle Joe" passing. My prayers are with you, Linda, Jeff and Joanna.

March 24 at 2:10 AM

RL

**Randall Lamb** posted:

I wish to express my condolences to the Bowden family. I am sorry for your loss.

March 23 at 11:18 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

So very sorry to hear of his passing. Newark has truly lost a great man. I will always remember his smile and laughter. It was a pleasure to get to know him during my time at the local lumber yards. Mrs. Sally Miller Porter

March 23 at 8:18 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Amy and Jerry and family, Your Bowden kin in Texas are so sad for you. I know your hearts are broken and we are praying for the Lord to hold you up through these tough days. Talk to you soon, Love, Nancy, Nancy Jane and Dale, Bridget and James

March 23 at 4:05 PM



**David Watson** posted:

I worked with Joe on a few occasions. I considered Joe a friend now and a mentor when I started in construction. I enjoyed listening to the stories he would tell. He will be missed. Our prayers will be with his family.

March 23 at 12:36 PM



**Park Pizza** posted:

We were sorry to hear of your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family

March 23 at 9:40 AM



**Gil And Helga Gutridge** posted:

It is with deep sorrow to hear Joe has passed on from this earth, Yes it is the first day of spring here on earth, but Joe has gone on to where all of us pray to all be some day, where spring will be each & everyday with flowers sunshine, joy and laughter all good things. Yes Joe has gone on and I am sure we will all miss, talking laughing and sharing good times with Joe, our lives here on earth are short But the here after is forever lasting. Thank GOD for all our blessings every day...Rest in peace Joe

March 23 at 5:22 AM



**Williams** posted:

We were so saddened to hear of your loss of Joe. Mary Ann and Amy stayed close through the years and both of us grew up with Jake. We remember Joe fondly and our prayers are with the whole family. May the God of all peace comfort you through this time. Tom and Leslie Williams

March 23 at 4:23 AM



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LS

**Laura And Keith Shaffer** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the Bowden family at this very difficult time. Joe was a giving person and had an amazing sense of humor. You will be truly missed Joe ! Our deepest sympathy.

March 23 at 4:04 AM

LL

**Larry /Mary Jane [Slate] Levingston** posted:

A jr/high school classmate. A wonderful person Joe was... God bless Joes family at this difficult time.

March 22 at 8:33 PM

PP

**Pam Paynter** posted:

My deepest sympathy goes out to the entire Bowden family. I pray for the peace and comfort only God can provide. I remember Joe most thru all the stories my brother would share. My parents had a big party and bonfire when they lived on Brownsville Road. My memory of Joe at that party brings a smile every time I think of it. He was full of life and made people happy. He will be sadly missed and always remembered. Pam(Kreager)Paynter

March 22 at 6:53 PM

RI

**Raymond Inman** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with your family as you go through this very sad time.

March 22 at 6:36 PM

FL

**Frank And Betty Logan** posted:

Jerry, Amy and family -Our deepest sympathy on the loss of Joe. May God's healing power help you through the days and months ahead. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

March 22 at 5:56 PM

SS

**Steve And Deb Sabo** posted:

We are so sorry for your loss.

March 22 at 5:07 PM



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**Shannon Sampson** posted:

My thoughts are with the entire Bowden family. Joanna and family you are in my prayers.

March 22 at 4:56 PM

KM

**Keith Maine** posted:

I am so sadden to hear today of Joes passing my deepest sympathys to you Linda and the Bowden family.I had a great family experience with Cindy John Joe Jim Jake and sammy.My thoughts and prayers to all of the Bowden family Joe will be missed.Keith Maine

March 22 at 4:09 PM

MB

**Mark Baldeschwiler** posted:

To the entire Bowden family, my deepest sympathy. I have many fond memories of growing up with Joe throughout the years.God bless you all.

March 22 at 3:09 PM

JP

**Jeff Phillips** posted:

So sorry of your lose.JOE was a super guy.He always made the day better with his crazy saying and outlook on life.He will missed by many.Jake hope you are doing ok. Miss seeing you around .

March 22 at 2:20 PM

TA

**Tony Reynolds And Kathy Anderson** posted:

Our deepest sympathy to the Bowden family. Joe was a great guy and will be missed by many. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

March 22 at 12:19 PM

CT

**Cathy Tangey** posted:

Linda,Sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in my prayers.

March 22 at 12:07 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Jerry and Amy, My thoughts of deep sympathy and sadness are with you and your family.

March 22 at 12:05 PM



**Marilyn Webb Johnson** posted:

Jerry and Amy, My thoughts of deep sympathy and sadness are with you and your family.

March 22 at 12:01 PM



**Teresa Anderson** posted:

Sorry for your loss, you and your family will be in my prayers.

March 22 at 10:31 AM



**Tom & Barb Woehrle** posted:

Dear Bowden family, I was so shocked and devastated to hear of the passing of Joe. I will always remember the great times that I had growing up with Joe and the entire Bowden family. I am so sorry that I am out of town and cannot be there, but my thoughts and prayers are with your family.

March 22 at 7:52 AM



**Justin & Jenna Finehout** posted:

The Bowden Family will be in our hearts and prayers. Joe and his crew are great assets to The Works, and I will always be known as 'New Girl'. With our Deepest Sympathy...

March 22 at 7:30 AM



**Neale And Lou Ann Lemaster** posted:

Jake, Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your brother. You are in our prayers and thoughts

March 22 at 6:20 AM



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SK

**Scott Krueger** posted:

Joe's Family, as Dale said before, Joe will be greatly missed by all of us here at AEP. He was truly a great man and a good friend. I will personally miss his great sense of humor, but his memory will live in my heart and mind forever. May the peace that comes with knowing our Lord and Savior be with you now and always.

March 22 at 5:47 AM

JW

**Julie Cline Williamson** posted:

Keeping the Bowden family in my thoughts and prayers as they go through this loss. I have many memories of good times shared with you, especially Jim, Paula and Amy, during my high school and college years. I hope that the same love for family that I witnessed then will be a comfort to you now.

March 22 at 5:46 AM

TC

**Tamera (Tammy) Cramer** posted:

Great sympathy and heartfelt wishes to all the family. I remember Joe fondly either through history class or hanging around the house. The Bowden house was always a fun home. Joe always harassed Sam Shaw and I whenever he 'busted' us kissing in the hallways. He was funny and quick with a line. My heart hurts for you and much love is sent your way.

March 22 at 5:14 AM

JB

**Jane Bailey** posted:

Linda, I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

March 22 at 5:04 AM

SM

**Sarah Miller** posted:

My prayers are for the whole Bowden family. I was so sad to hear of your loss, you have all been dear friends for many years, especially Jim and Paula. May you find comfort in the Christ's love for you.

March 22 at 4:14 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Sorry for your loss our prays are with you and the family. Frank and Nora Miller Linden ave.

March 22 at 4:14 AM



**Shirley Wooddell Maine** posted:

Linda and family, there are not words to express my sorrow for the loss of Joe. I will forever smile at the memories of a group of friends and the adventures they had. You are always on my mind, in my heart and in my prayers. Love to all.

March 22 at 4:08 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Jeff and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you. Sincerest sympathies. Nance McAleer

March 22 at 4:04 AM



**Rick And Mary Jo Moore** posted:

Dear Bowden family, We are so sorry that we are out of state and can not be there to express our sorrow in person. Joe-Joe was a truly kind and caring person. His commitment to, and pride of, his family and community were unsurpassed. His wonderful sense of humor will be forever missed by the Winnelson family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

March 22 at 3:51 AM



**Lucinda Mays** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss Jake and Karen. Sending lots of hugs and prayers your way. Lucinda and David Mays and Family

March 22 at 3:41 AM



**Stephen J Rigby** posted:

Dear Bowden Family and Friends, I am sorry for the loss of Joe. He will be missed but not forgotten, please know that our thoughts and prayers will be filled with wishes of comfort to you all in this time of missing his smiling face and keen wit. He will be missed.

March 22 at 3:40 AM



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GM

**Gary And Connie Mathis** posted:

Linda and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Joe was a great contractor, friend and community minded person.

March 22 at 2:16 AM

MW

**Melinda Wilson** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Joe was an impeccable human being. He will be missed greatly.

March 22 at 2:07 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Linda and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. You have our deepest sympathy. Pat and Cathy (McCullough) Murphy

March 21 at 2:01 PM

DK

**Dale Koski** posted:

Joe...you were truly a great person. You will be deeply missed by everyone at AEP. The Bowden family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Please accept my deepest sympathies and may God bless the Bowden family in this time of sorrow.

March 21 at 10:07 AM

GS

**Gary Schworm** posted:

My deepest sympathy to the Bowden family. I knew Joe as he did a lot of good remodeling and construction projects at "The Works" in downtown Newark. Joe was a real good guy!

March 21 at 9:57 AM

DH

**Dave Haren** posted:

Joe was an irreplaceable friend. No matter when or what you needed, Joe was there. A smile on his face and couple colorful comments. To his whole family and all his friends I am sorry for your loss. He was way too young. He will be missed. Dave Haren and Jody Richter and Family

March 21 at 9:08 AM



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**Jessie Minot** posted:

JOE.....you will truly be missed. You were always like a second father to me and was always there for me. Thank you so much for everything you have done. You have touched so many lives and will never be forgotten. The Bowden family will always be in my prayers.....

March 21 at 7:59 AM



**Watson** posted:

Words can not express the sadness in our hearts for the loss of Joe. He was a great boss and a dear friend. Our prayers go out to family and friends during such a difficult time. Rusty & Mary Watson

March 20 at 6:34 PM



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