



## Douglas J. Murray

September 24, 1968 - June 17, 2024

Watervliet, NY-Douglas Joseph Murray (55) unexpectedly passed away on Jun 14, 2024, at his home in Watervliet, NY. Douglas was born to Frieda Murray and Joseph Bennett on Sept 24, 1968, in Brooklyn, NY. He was a graduate of Richmond Hill High School in Queens, class of 1987, and then went on to enlist in the United States Army. He honorably served 1988 – 1991 with active duty in the Gulf War (Operation Desert Storm) and also spent time in Germany while serving. Shortly after his military service, Douglas relocated to the Albany, NY area and began a 25-year rewarding career working within various NYS Agencies with the most recent being the Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance (OTDA).

Douglas' siblings, David (Alisa) Murray and Patricia Murray, remember him as a man of many interests but with a particular passion for sports. In his youth he enjoyed competitively participating with friends in baseball, softball, and football all around the Jamaica, Queens area where he grew up. As his close friends can attest, he was also a lifelong avid follower of many sport teams, especially the Dallas Cowboys.

Douglas was predeceased by his father, Joseph, and Mother, Frieda. He is survived by his two siblings, David (twin) and Patricia as well as a large family of extended brothers, sisters, nieces, and nephews. Douglas leaves a legacy of love, laughter, and service.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Douglas's family Thursday, June 27, 2024 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

To leave a message for the family please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

Doug's presence will be profoundly missed, but his memory will continue to be a beacon of warmth and joy for all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 27. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
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Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
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# Tribute Wall

MB

“ My condolences to Doug's family. I've worked with Doug for the last five years at the State. He was a wonderful workmate, helping out his team navigate through many aspects of the work we did together, offering a hand and going out of his way to make life easier for his teammates. Yes, we would find time talking about each of our favorite teams, whether it be baseball or football, offering a deserved dig when our teams didn't do as well as his. We miss him dearly. He had much to offer.

- Mike Bromm

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Michael Bromm - June 26, 2024 at 01:29 PM

TH

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Doug, and so sorry for your family's loss. Doug was a co-worker/colleague and respected for his conscientious approach to his work and his sharp sense of humor. I even overlooked that he was a Cowboys fan. He will be missed.

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Tom Hedderman - June 26, 2024 at 11:34 AM

JM

“ My deepest condolences to Doug's family during this difficult time. He was a great coworker and will be missed.



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Janine M - June 25, 2024 at 04:09 PM

SG

“ I had the honor of working closely with Doug and formed a great friendship with him over the past year. Although not knowing him long, it was very clear what an amazing person he was. He was a great co-worker who made everyone feel welcomed. He had the patience of a saint while he helped us newbies navigate our new roles. Not only was he a great co-worker but he was a great friend. Every interaction he brought humor and laughter. He could make a mundane day always seem more bearable. I feel honored to have been his co-worker and friend. He will be very much missed by all, and it was an absolute pleasure to have known him.

-Stacia G.

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**Stacia G** - June 24, 2024 at 04:40 PM

SO

“ Working alongside Doug for the past 6 years has been a blast. I'll miss his great sense of humor and wit. We used to make up names for everyone and I'll especially miss our inside jokes with our "OG IES crew". I'll miss hearing the back and forth about his Cowboys vs our coworkers' favorite teams even though some of us were oblivious ha. I'll miss his knowledge when collaborating on projects. Doug will forever be remembered for his kindness and willingness to help. I'll be rooting for the Cowboys this season just for you Doug (or Denzel, as our boss would call him )! I'll remember you always! You will be profoundly missed. Rest well, my friend.

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**Soraya** - June 24, 2024 at 05:31 AM

CN

“ Doug & I first started working together over 21 years ago at the DOH. We quickly became friends. Doug enjoyed going on trips to Yankee stadium and the casinos with my husband & I. I always knew I could count on Doug for anything professionally & personally. He was such a nice friend, respected by all who had the pleasure to know him. I really wish I could see his smile and hear his laugh again. I'm going to miss him. I'll never forget him, may he rest in peace.

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**Chelsea Nash** - June 23, 2024 at 01:53 PM

LK

“ Doug and I worked together (not in the same unit but on the same floor) for quite a few years. We always got to work early and he would come see me and another friend of ours before we started work. We shared a lot of stories and always we would end up laughing about something. He had such a great sense of humor. And he was one of the nicest men you could ever meet. You could tell he was brought up with manners. He will definitely be missed by all who had the pleasure to know him. RIP Doug until we meet again. Linda Kern

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**Linda Kern** - June 22, 2024 at 06:26 PM

VB

Worked with Doug for several years at OTDA. Always compassionate & kind man.

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**Vicki Buchanan** - June 22, 2024 at 06:55 PM

DI

i will miss our monthly talks about all the things happening in football. Especially about your "bu" Cowboys. I will also miss just laughing about "stuff". I enjoyed you as a person a person and as a co-worker. God Bless and God Speed my friend!!!

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**deardra ivery** - June 24, 2024 at 08:53 AM

DP

*Working alongside Doug was a blessing. He was always willing to help me with several projects. I remember when I came to OTDA from another State Agency four months ago. Doug always came to my desk to help me. You will always be remembered as a great coworker. Rest in Peace brother!*

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**Duke PG** - June 27, 2024 at 02:03 PM



*RIP Doug we had lots of fun working or DOH and OTDA when you first came to work for DOH in the 1990's , can't believe how long its been. I was so shocked to hear the news of your passing. Much sympathy to your family. Wish I could have come to your service but stuck here in Florida.*

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**Kevin Pemrick** - June 29, 2024 at 07:41 PM