

## A Little Girl, Howard University, and a Catfish Dinner...

When you walk into Oohh's and Aahh's you're greeted with joy and laughter. The staff and patrons are enjoying each other like family. The smell of southern food permeates the place the minute you come in. Your taste buds begin to salivate at the thought of your first bite. The place is rocking with the sound of old school R&B. Flat screens adorn the walls. Channels are tuned to sports, news, weather. Your comfort level is sky high.

The friendly hostess greets you with an ear to ear smile. She or he politely ask would you prefer to be seated downstairs or upstairs. We always choose the upper level. You take your seat. Scan the QR code on the table to bring up the menu (paper menus are so 1990's). And your stomach begins to turn cartwheels.

### You order your drinks...

- *Home-made strawberry lemonade made in house with fresh strawberries*
- *Sweetened fresh brewed iced tea is made daily*
- *Classic homemade lemonade with just the right amount of real lemons*
- *And my favorite - the Half & Half (some call it an Arnold Palmer)*



### Choose your appetizer...

**Chicken wings** lightly breaded - served with your choice of the Chef's signature sauces: BBQ - Buffalo - Lemon Pepper - Teriyaki (I've enjoyed them all ).

**Shrimp** served fried, grilled or blackened. (I've had them cooked every way). Don't forget the chef's secret cocktail sauce or your choice of signature sauces.

### Below Are Just A Handful Of Family Favorites On The Menu...

- **Catfish** - Fried, grilled or blackened catfish made to perfection
- **Beef Short Ribs** - Slow-braised, fall-off-the-bone tender
- **Chicken and Waffles** - Panko breaded juicy boneless chicken thighs, a crispy Belgium waffle
- **Turkey Wings** - Tender, home-style wings baked to perfection
- **Teriyaki Salmon** - Fresh fillet salmon, marinated & glazed in sweet and tangy teriyaki sauce

### Don't forget the desserts...

"...Savory Banana Pudding - Mouth-Watering Red Velvet Cake - Luscious Strawberry Cake - Heavenly Peach Cobbler - Devine Lemon Cake - Ravishing Yellow Cake w/ Chocolate Icing - Dreamy Chocolate Cake w/ Chocolate Icing - Scrumptious Carrot Cake...And so much more"



My daughter visited several colleges and universities her senior year of high school. Syracuse, Temple, Hampton, and George Washington to name a few. But the moment she got out of the car at Howard University her mind was made up. It was a beautiful autumn day. The sun was bright and the cool breeze was inviting. *The positive energy immediately put her into a trance.* Young college kids walking the campus. The site of students with their backpacks hanging-out in the yard. She knew this was her moment in time.

***It all happened during her first Homecoming...***

We called a couple weeks in advance to let our daughter know we would be at homecoming. She was so excited. And then she hit us with the life changing moment. "Daddy" she said. There's this restaurant that we must go to. It's called **Oohh's and Aahh's** and they have the best soul food I've ever had. My reply was simply, " whatever you say Baby Girl."

I ordered the fried catfish dinner. With side orders of sweet buttery candied yams, collard greens with smoked turkey, mac and cheese to die for, and a creamy unheard of potato salad (my daughter and I now always share a large side of potato salad). **BUT THE CATFISH.** My, o my the catfish. Crispy fried coating. The white meat seasoned to perfection. *And an authentic taste that leaves you coming back quick, fast, and in a hurry!* Your life will never be the same. Washington, D.C. has more restaurants than you can shake a stick at. But if Soul Food is your cuisine of choice. Then let me tell you. Oohh's and Aahh's will have you coming back for more and more and more...

***But don't take my word for it...Patrons rave about Oohh's and Aahh's...***

*"Just walking in the door the staff was very attentive and welcoming. There was no wait to be seated, no wait to be served and the food came out promptly. The owner and manager greeted us to see how we were enjoying our visit. Now for the food, it was wonderful, tasty and filling. We are already planning our next visit. Thank you so much!" Joe and Kim Jenkins*

*"First thing I ate while in DC and now I don't wanna eat anything else! I got turkey wings smothered and peppered, mac and cheese, yams, greens, and a side of catfish everything was delicious! Mr John was super welcoming and helpful and I can't wait to try everything else on the menu." Darnhelle Saint Eloi*

*"The food was absolutely amazing. I had dinner which consisted of fried turkey chops and let me just say.. the chef needs to be slapped on how good that food was. Mark the operational manager was AWESOME. He was respectful and was on his P's and Q's when it came to checking on our service. If I could give 10 stars I would!" Angela Mcroberts*

If and when you visit the Washington DC area, take my advice. Visit Oohh's and Aahh's! Be sure to ask for Mark. He's awesome and He'll give you a **FREE COCKTAIL** as a first time visitor. Great Food, Awesome Staff, and a **FREE COCKTAIL**. What could be better than that. Homecoming is the 2nd or 3rd weekend in October. My wife and I will be roaming the book store on Howard's campus. Spending time with our daughter. And enjoying a delicious soul food dinner at *Oohh's and Aahh's*. Hope to see you there!!!