



Charles Ray Shelton

September 25, 1942 - September 17, 2024

Charles Ray Shelton, affectionately known as Charlie to family and friends, peacefully gained his reward on Tuesday, September 17, 2024, just shy of his 82nd birthday. Born on September 25, 1942, in Dickson, Tennessee, he was the beloved son of the late Daniel Chetham Shelton and Mable Eunice VonSchmittou Shelton.

Charlie is survived by his devoted wife of 57 years, Linda Morrell Baggett Shelton, and their sons, Chad (Eva) Shelton and Craig (Misty) Shelton. He was a proud grandfather to Colby Shelton, Carter (Kaitlyn) Shelton, Mallory Shelton, and Harper Shelton. Additionally, he is survived by his brother, Steve (Carole) Shelton.

A graduate of Dickson County High School, Charlie furthered his education at Boise State University. He enjoyed a long career, retiring from Tennessee Gas Pipeline before operating his own car detailing shop for a decade. Charlie also served his country honorably as a member of the United States Air Force, where he cultivated many interests, including his love for music, often working as a disc jockey. He also refereed TSSAA football, basketball, and Jr. Pro games. Active in his community, Charlie was a past president of the Hickman County Civitan Club.

His deep faith led him to serve as a Deacon at the Centerville Church of

Christ, where he was known for his welcoming presence, offering smiles, jokes, and hugs to everyone who passed through the doors. Many remember him fondly as a beloved Bible Class teacher at Fairfield Church of Christ.

A man of many hobbies, Charlie was an avid collector of clocks, magnets, and his favorite, license plates. He and Linda loved to travel, and they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by visiting their 50th state together. Known for his infectious cheerfulness and ever-present smile, Charlie cherished his family deeply, and his grandchildren were his greatest joy.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Charlie's name to Centerville Church of Christ, where a welcome center will be established in his memory. This tribute will honor Charlie's legacy of warmly greeting everyone with joy and faithfulness as they entered the church he so dearly loved.

Centerville Church Of Christ
138 N. Central Avenue
Centerville, TN 37033.
<https://centervillechurchofchrist.org>.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens

2833 Hwy 100
Centerville, TN 37033

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 20. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Centerville Church of Christ
138 N. Central Avenue
Centerville, TN 37033

Funeral Service

SEP 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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138 N. Central Avenue
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Tribute Wall

JE

“ Linda, Chad, Craig and family of Charlie,
What a beautiful Memorial Service honoring
Charlie today.
He has touched so many lives, and we are
grateful to have been among those blessed
by knowing him.
Our love and Sympathy,
Chug and Johnnie Ruth Elrod



Johnnie Ruth Elrod - September 21, 2024 at 11:32 PM



“ Sandi Westover lit a candle in memory of
Charles Ray Shelton



Sandi Westover - September 20, 2024 at 08:42 PM

CM

“ Cheeva McClearen sent a virtual gift in memory
of Charles Shelton



Cheeva McClearen - September 20, 2024 at 04:40 PM

PG

“ Charlie was my Sunday School teacher so sorry to hear of his
passing

Pamela Griggs - September 20, 2024 at 11:56 AM

LD

“ So sorry for your loss !! 🙏🙏🙏



Laura DeLong - September 20, 2024 at 11:52 AM

GO

“ Glenda Orman lit a candle in memory of Charles Ray Shelton



Glenda Orman - September 20, 2024 at 11:12 AM

LG

“ Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles Shelton



Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam - September 20, 2024 at 10:23 AM

SB

“ Shawna Bowman lit a candle in memory of Charles Ray Shelton



Shawna Bowman - September 20, 2024 at 08:44 AM

DN

“ *Dana Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Charles Ray Shelton*



Dana Nicholson - September 19, 2024 at 10:23 PM

JG

“ *So sorry for your loss. Ronnie & Judy Gilbert*



Judy Gilbert - September 19, 2024 at 09:53 PM

RM

“ *Roy & Sharon McCoy lit a candle in memory of Charles Ray Shelton*



Roy & Sharon McCoy - September 19, 2024 at 08:52 PM

TM

“ I’m so sorry to hear about your loss. I also worked with Charlie at TGP for many years. Charlie was always smiling, laughing and telling jokes. Charlie had a knack for remembering license plate numbers. We had a fellow employee who’s vehicle came up missing. The employee called Charlie to ask what his license plate number was in order to report it to the police! No doubt that he will be missed, he was dependable, friendly and I’m proud to have known him and to call him my friend. I feel grateful to have spent time working with him. You all will be in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Tim

Tim Markwell - September 19, 2024 at 08:39 PM

RH

“ We are thinking of the loss.

Ruby & Rex Horner - September 19, 2024 at 06:59 PM

RR

“ Ray Ragsdale lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton



Ray Ragsdale - September 19, 2024 at 05:16 PM

JA

“ So sorry for Your loss. Charlie was a Great Guy.



Jim Adams - September 19, 2024 at 04:39 PM

JA

“ So very sorry for Tour loss. Charlie was a Great Guy.



Jim Adams - September 19, 2024 at 04:27 PM

DP

“ Deborah Peery lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton



Deborah Peery - September 19, 2024 at 12:22 PM

MC

“ Michelle Davidson Cripps lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton



Michelle Davidson Cripps - September 19, 2024 at 12:09 PM

DG

“ Diane/Lonnie Garrett lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton



Diane/Lonnie Garrett - September 19, 2024 at 10:35 AM



“ *Charles & Genda C. Gilmer lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Charles & Glenda C. Gilmer - September 19, 2024 at 09:19 AM

SA

“ *Many Thoughts and Prayers for this Dear Family... To Know Charlie was to Love Charlie.... If you was in a bad mood ..When you left you was Smiling or Laughing.. He was jus that Kinda Person, He will be Truly Missed ...*



Susan and Steve Anglin - September 19, 2024 at 08:57 AM

DW

“ *Love and prayers for the family.*

Dorinda Wilson



DORINDA A WILSON - September 19, 2024 at 08:27 AM

RB

“ *Randall-Sandra Barber lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Randall-Sandra Barber - September 19, 2024 at 07:19 AM

WL

“ *Wilbur & Dianne Lancaster lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Wilbur & Dianne Lancaster - September 18, 2024 at 09:28 PM

MB

“ *Our world is darker and the next one is brighter. He and I were Vanderbilt football fans when we were little boys. We often shared those memories. We do not produce better men than he. Molly and I are grieving with his noble family Doug Bates III*

Molly and Doug Bates - September 18, 2024 at 09:00 PM

JM

“ *Joyce McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Joyce McDaniel - September 18, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ *I've known Charlie most of my life, he was always positive and kind. My prayers and thoughts for his entire family....R.I.P Sir.*



James Arthur (Tank) and Dana Atkinson - September 18, 2024 at 08:05 PM

RB

“ *Randall-Sandra Barber lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Randall-Sandra Barber - September 18, 2024 at 07:45 PM

MH

“ *We're so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Charlie was a wonderful man.*

Mark and Charlene Hall - September 18, 2024 at 06:27 PM



“ *Betty Love lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Betty Love - September 18, 2024 at 05:45 PM

CG

“ For more than twenty five years, Charlie and i worked together at Tennessee Gas Pipeline in Nunnely Tenn. Many Days there the only Joy of the day was time spent with Charlie and Charles Parram! Most of our time together was spent on sports, Jokes and Laughter, some work. we always enjoyed our time! I was blessed to see Chad and Craig growing up from tiny boys! to fine and great men. we shared good and bad times in our life, and I never questioned if Charlie was my friend! He was. and will always be a special man in my life! May God bless Linda and the sons.- and the many other lifes charlis touched.i will miss him Greatly! No day will come that he is not in my thoughts and prayers. Carl



Carl Grimes - September 18, 2024 at 04:50 PM

CM

“ Linda, Craig, Chad, and family....My thoughts and prayers are with you in your loss. Carolyn Moss



Carolyn Moss - September 18, 2024 at 03:19 PM

BM

“ Our love, thoughts, and prayers are with Linda, Craig, Chad and family. We have been friends with Linda and Charlie for many years. We have watched Craig and Chad grow up into superb young men with wonderful families. Charlie was always there with a smile to greet everyone at church!

Bobby/Sandy McFarlin - September 18, 2024 at 03:10 PM

MB

“ *MICHAEL BATES sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles Shelton*



MICHAEL BATES - September 18, 2024 at 03:05 PM

SG

“ *Stanley & Judy Gordon lit a candle in memory of Charles Shelton*



Stanley & Judy Gordon - September 18, 2024 at 02:45 PM

JG

“ *We cherish the friendship we have had with Charlie and Linda for so many years. May God comfort this precious family and all of us who grieve losing him. John, Wanda, Angie and Vonda Givens*

John, Wanda, Angie & Vonda Givens - September 18, 2024 at 02:22 PM

RS

“ *We both are so sorry of the death of Charlie Shelton
He will be missed with his smiling face.*

Regina & Martha Shelton - September 18, 2024 at 02:20 PM