



Mr. Charles Custer

September 9, 1941 - April 5, 2023

Mr. Charles Walker “Buddy” Custer, a devoted husband, father and grandfather passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at his home. He was 81. He was born September 9, 1941, in Hartford, Connecticut, to Raymond John and Thelma Walker Custer, of blessed memory.

After he completed school, he served in the U.S. Air Force and graduated from Troy University with a Master of Education in Political Science. Mr. Custer retired from The Salvation Army in 2010 as a Director of Estate Planning. He and Carolyn Hutson Custer were married for 49 years until her death in 2013.

He was a man of many hobbies over the years: refurnishing antiques, bee keeping, vegetable and rose gardening, hand carved wooden walking sticks, hunting, fishing, running, crossword puzzles and reading.

He loved and cherished his family and friends.

Mr. Custer was preceded in death by his parents; his stepfather, Edward Francis Zdun; his wife; and oldest son, Charles Walker Custer, Jr.

Survivors are his son, Mark Custer; daughters, Lisa Custer and Laura Ann McCue; granddaughters, Mary Allison McCue, Maggie McCue and Fairfax

Larson; a brother, Jay Zdun (Nancy); and a sister, Kim Blaszkowski (Mike).

A Celebration of Life will be announced later.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mr. Custer's memory to Camp Crosspoint. Please make all gifts to Camp Crosspoint and send to Post Office Box 444, Pelham, Georgia 31779.

Online condolences may be made at www.abbeyfh.com

Tribute Wall

KS

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Ken Stoner - May 02, 2023 at 09:15 AM

KB

“ Charlie, known to our family as “Buddy” Custer. My heart aches for I have lost an amazing brother. I’ll never forget the times he, my husband Mike and I spent going through our family pictures. We reminisced about our childhood, shared stories about growing up in our old neighborhood in Granby, Ct. He would often talk about his friends and him going to Babb’s beach as teenagers. He loved to listen to old R & B and Shag music, and would break into dance when he heard it. It brought back so many happy memories for him. His sense of humor was legendary. He always had a story to tell, a joke, or song to sing that would make everyone laugh. I will miss our frequent phone calls. I have been truly blessed to have had him as my brother. He will be missed greatly. I’m sure he is in heaven now and smiling down on us, saying “Don’t be sad for I had an amazing life!”



Kimberly Blaszkowski - April 27, 2023 at 01:29 PM

AH

“ Charlie always had a smile. I sure enjoyed Custer's Honey and his refinishing work in Havana.

Alice Heathcock - April 27, 2023 at 08:57 AM

MB

“ Charlie was a wonderful, charismatic and inspiring man who loved his family immensely. He entered my life when I married his sister, Kim. He accepted me into the family with open arms and became more to me than just a brother-in-law. Over the many years, I watched him in awe. When Charlie spoke, people listened. He turned heads and dominated a room wherever he was. I will forever treasure the many evenings he and I would sit together and discuss all sorts of topics. A well educated man, he never ceased to amaze me. The knowledge he possessed was truly astounding. Charlie was a devout Christian who sent many prayers my way just when I needed them most. Charlie would call my wife and I several times a week just to check on us to see how we were doing. He prayed for our health, our safety and our journeys during each call. To all of us who knew him, he was always there for us.

Of course we miss him, however, it's important for us to remember that though we grieve, we also should celebrate his life. Charlie will live on in each of us through our stories and memories. I'd like to think that when he left us, he had fulfilled his life's mission and is now enjoying eternity in heaven.



Mike Blaszko - April 27, 2023 at 01:25 AM

CD

“ Charlie always had a smile on his face, he was smart, witty and made me laugh every time I saw him. He inspired me to help others, love Jesus and enjoy nature.

Cindy Diekemper - April 27, 2023 at 01:00 AM

MC

“ Your Dad was a Godly father and a genuine person. My heart goes out to you all.

Maria Braswell Cody - April 22, 2023 at 07:11 PM

CM

“ Charlie “Poppi” Custer was a man of the most integrity and Christian character I have ever known. He was also the best grandfather to my two girls I could have ever asked for. I will miss him immensely, and I am blessed beyond measure to have had him in my life.

Chris McCue - April 21, 2023 at 12:37 PM