



Charles Malcolm Calhoun

December 31, 1932 - November 13, 2024

Charles Malcolm Calhoun, of Umatilla, Florida, passed away November 13, 2024 at the age of 91. Born in Umatilla on December 31, 1932 to William Bryant (Brunt) and Cleo Calhoun, he was a lifelong resident of the city. Charles was a citrus grower, an owner of the Umatilla Fruit Company, and a realtor. He graduated from Riverside Military Academy in Gainesville, Georgia and Florida Southern University. He served in the United States Army and was deployed in Korea.

Over the years Charles was active in-service organizations, city government, and the Methodist Church. He proudly served on the Board of Directors of the United Southern Bank from 1976 to 2008. He received a lifetime achievement award from the Lake County Historical Society. He loved the Florida Gators, Civil War history, and working in his yard and garden.

Charles was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 59 years, Alice. He is survived by his brother Lamar Calhoun of Umatilla; daughter Mary Barker of Melbourne, Florida; son William Calhoun (Mary Ellen) of Guntersville, Alabama; and granddaughter Sara Barker of Henderson, Nevada.

There will be a private graveside service. The family invites friends to remember Charles in a celebration of life on December 7, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Altoona Charter School, 42630 State Road 19, Altoona. Beyers Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 7. 10:00 AM.

Altoona Charter School

Tribute Wall



“ Charles and Alice were our next-door neighbors in Umatilla when we moved up to Lake County from Miami in 1973 and they were always just the sweetest people. They tolerated my played-awfully-loud rock 'n' roll records, allowed me to play football on their lawn with their kids and other neighborhood rowdies, and even had me babysit young Bill and Mary, who were equally sweet young people.

As an adult, I always cherished running into them when my wife Ann and I were shopping at Publix or out to eat at the Mason Jar. Charles was a good man and I'm so glad that my family and I got to know him. The world was so much a better place with the Calhouns in it and it is diminished by their loss, but I am content that Charles and Alice are together again.

John Arnold - November 26, 2024 at 09:09 AM

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“ Charles you welcomed this city girl into your home and heart 40 years ago and let her marry your only son. We shared so many memories together, some sad, some funny and some crazy, being part of your family has been so wonderful for me. I choose to focus on the wonderful times and not to remember any sad times. You are now at home with Alice and all the many friends, family and pets. I only hope one day I make it to heaven to rejoice with you all. Love you and miss you Papa Charles.

Mary Ellen Calhoun - November 22, 2024 at 02:17 PM

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Matt did a really great write up underneath his obit about hanging out at the office

James Scobie - November 23, 2024 at 09:47 AM



I have a paper with the write up for you and Bill. Well done as Scobie says. I will miss uncle C, he was always the life of the party when we we're kids. God speed sir.

Chuck Calhoun - November 26, 2024 at 08:07 AM