



Charles Durham

March 12, 1928 - November 15, 2012

Obituary of Charles Durham

Charles Jefferson Durham, 84, of Fruitland Park, Florida, was born March 12, 1928 in Etowah, Tennessee and went home to be with his Lord on Thursday, November 15, 2012. He loved his church where he was a member of First Baptist Church of Fruitland Park and worked with the food mission. Mr. Durham was a veteran of the US Navy and was a retired postal supervisor for the US Post Office in Atlanta, Georgia. He loved baseball, especially the Atlanta Braves and Tampa Bay Rays.

He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Sylvia of Fruitland Park, FL; daughter, Deborah Funderburk of Leesburg, FL; son, Jeff Durham of Alabama; daughter, Tammie Hoagland of Mt. Dora, FL; seven grandchildren, Kayla Durham, Raven Durham, Wayne McCleary, Michael Icker, Jayne Janis, Melissa Icker and Janice Icker; two great grandchildren, Savannah Icker and Edward Hoagland and brother, Jack Durham of Dalton, GA.

Visitation will be held at Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg, Monday, November 19, 2012 from 9 to 10am with a service following at 10.00 AM with Reverend Chad Driggers officiating. Burial will be at Florida National Cemetery,

Bushnell, FL.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Food Mission at First Baptist Church of Fruitland Park.

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Services

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Interment

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Memorial Donations

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Tribute Wall

JJ

“ Wayne, Grant, Ginny, and I are so very sorry for your loss. We are very blessed to have you as part of our family. I am thankful God brought you into our lives. I pray we have been a source of comfort and support. Family has nothing to with genetics...

Julie Jimenez - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ So many memories..talks, advice, your interest in my schooling, Phase 10, your smile and jokes. You got such a laugh out of always hiding one of my shoes and I had to find it. You always looked for the best in every situation. You were a great grandfather figure in my life. You were so dear to my heart and I will never forget you. I'll see you again someday.

Ashley Moore - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ It is with great sadness that Charles won't be in the living world with us. It is such greatness to know he is in Heaven with our Lord. What better place to be. To Sylvia and the family my sincere sympathy for your lost. It was my pleasure and blessing to have known Charles and try to beat him in "Phase 10". You will live on in our memories and heart forever until we meet again in Heaven. With love, Dayle Mackay (the nice twin)

Dayle Mackay - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“Daddy used to call me Devlin' when I was little. Daddy introduced me to Poe's "The Raven" and "Annabell-Lee" poems, Poe's stories too, and also "The Gingham Dog and the Calico Cat, side by side on the table sat..." too and other good stuff. His favorite poem was "If" by Rudyard Kipling. He loved movie, "How Green was my Valley" and "I'd Climb the Highest Mountain," and his favorite movie was "Bridge over the River Kwii." I can still hear him singing, "Waltzing Matilda" and "To heck with Tech to heck with GA Tech" and a "Heck-of-an Engineer" and cheering for the Braves and Rays and Atlanta Flames and GA Bulldogs and other things. He will be sorely missed. But oh what joy when we meet again at Jesus' feet!

Deborah Durham Funderburk - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“*Poem for Daddy with Love I used to hide his house shoes in the fridge, Back when I was just a little tot, "Trying to give your daddy cold feet?" He asked and then he laughed a lot. He raked the pine straw into piles When it was way down in the fall, And then we'd ride the wheelbarrow When he the straw away would haul. He sang his songs and made us laugh, Taught me how to ride bicycle And how to change the tire too, And then he'd buy us a pop sickle. Once he bought us a metal see-saw* To go up and down and 'round and 'round, We pretended it was a helicopter, Whirly-bird, our joy did so abound! How he loved baseball and other games! We raised dogs and fish and rabbits, Building cages and playing ball, Tom Walkers too, his name for stilts. We played Chess and Chinese Checkers, When I least expected he'd take my rook. Mouse Trap and Monopoly too, And we shared many a good book. He often quoted Kipling's "If" poem And taught me the trick to multiplying nines. We read encyclopedias and science news, And he got me out of many binds. One of Daddy's favorite hymns was "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". I will miss you my Daddy dear, But we'll meet again in Heaven's charms. By Deborah Durham Funderburk November 18, 2012 *Some people call them teeter-totters, we called them see-saws.*

Deborah Durham Funderburk - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GA

“*I will miss you, my sweet Charles. What great memories I have of you and us playing cards. I will see you again & I will have a deck of Phase 10 cards with me. My heart goes out to Sylvia & the family. I loved you!*

Gayle - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. May your family find comfort in knowing he is in the arms of our Lord and Saviour. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kelly Hawersaat & Skip Reed - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Sylvia, We are so sorry to hear of Charles's passing. He certainly fought a long fight against many different foes. It brings comfort to know that he is at peace, I'm sure. He is with so many of the people he knew and loved now, including Dad. Please know that we are thinking of you and sending our prayers your way. We love you.
Barb and Dick

Barb and Dick Fernandez - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ We are so sorry for your loss,, Sylvia, Deborah Jeff, Wayne and all other family members,, We pray Gods comfort and love will be with you all now and in the coming days. ; Please know how much we care and feel for and love you all. We will have you in our prayers. God bless you. Our love, Harold and Lillian.

harold and Lillian Daugherty - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ My love and prayers are with you all. It is never easy but May God grant you peace and a quiet spirit. He is now in God's hands....

Lillian Durham - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ *Our deepest sympathy for all your families as you go through this very difficult time. We pray for your comfort, and we pray for your peace and reassurance and hope to remain in your hearts, along with your memories stored in your hearts forever. God bless and keep you!*

Ed & Marilyn Spangler - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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