



Charles Henry Hay

May 14, 1934 - March 12, 2025

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Charles Henry Hay, who died peacefully on March 12, 2025, at the age of 90.

Born in Portland, Maine on May 14, 1934, Charles moved to Florida at age 13. He graduated from the University of Florida and from there went to seminary at the University of the South in Sewanee, TN where earned an M.Div. Degree. He was ordained to the Priesthood at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Winter Haven. He also served at St. Edward's in Mount Dora and All Saints' in Winter Park. In 1964 he married Dorothy Herlong. They moved to the Diocese of Georgia where Charles served churches in Americus, Thomasville and Jesup. His last position was as Director of the Georgia Episcopal Camp and Conference Center on the Georgia coast. He retired in 1998 and he and Dorothy moved to her childhood home in Leesburg, Florida. He led a life full of love, dedication, and service to his Church and his Lord. He was a cherished husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather

Charles was passionate about his ministry and those he served. His commitment to his Lord and to his family were foremost in his heart. He had a wonderful sense of humor. He used to say he loved the beach except for the sun, the sand and the water.

Charles is survived by his beloved wife, Dorothy, his children Cam, Laurie

(Chris) and Paul (Lona); His grandchildren Justin, (Abby and great granddaughter, Judith Marie), Kevin (Jess), Charlie and James.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held on Saturday May 3rd, 2025 at 11:00 AM at St James Episcopal Church, 204 Lee St, Leesburg, FL

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. James Episcopal Church in Leesburg, FL or the Georgia Episcopal Camp and Conference Center in Waverly, GA.

Charles's legacy of love and kindness will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. He will be greatly missed and never forgotten.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

St James Episcopal Church
204 Lee St
Leesburg, FL 34748-4915
(352) 787-1981

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Father Charles & wife Dorothy at St. James. He was a loving & caring man. Father Charles came and gave my Husband, Robert his last rites. Father Charles will truly be missed.

My deepest sympathy to Dorothy and their family.

May your soul rest in peace Father Charles.

Connie Heroy

Connie Heroy - April 27, 2025 at 03:50 PM

LS

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the Hay family. May my condolences bring you comfort and my prayers ease the pain of your loss.

Lorraine Spady - April 02, 2025 at 11:44 AM

MC

“ Sending my condolences to Cam and family at this difficult time. May god be with you all at this difficult time-Monique Carter

Monique Carter - March 26, 2025 at 01:52 PM



“ Charlie and I send our condolences. We have warm and fond memories of him. He was a dear, sweet man.

Barbara Breuer - March 17, 2025 at 11:57 PM

KS

“ *Sending my condolences to Cam and Family. I pray your strength in the Lord during this difficult time. God Bless.*

Kenya Suiter - March 17, 2025 at 10:18 AM

MM

“ *We are sorry for your loss Cam and family. May his memory always be a blessing and eternal. Mark and Rose Murowany*

Mark murowany - March 16, 2025 at 05:30 PM