



## Charles Ray Black

September 11, 1946 - June 14, 2020

Charles Ray Black, age 73 of Gainesville, VA passed away on June 14, 2020 at his residence. He was born on September 11, 1946 in McDunn, WV son of the late James and Mildred Black. He graduated from Montgomery High School. Upon graduation he was employed with Ironworkers Local Union 201 in Washington, DC as a Rodman. He achieved the position of Superintendent installing post tensioning cables in bridges and high rise buildings and traveled extensively throughout his career. He retired from VSL Corporation in 2008. He was an avid golfer and a member of the Elks Golf and County Club in Lewisburg, WV. He was a Elks Member of Lodge 1758 and received the Elk of the Year award in 2014. He also served in the U. S. Army in Vietnam from 1968-1970 with an honorable discharge. He was awarded 2 Purple Hearts, 2 Bronze Stars and numerous other medals for his acts of bravery while serving in Vietnam.

He is survived by his loving wife Rebecca of 47 years; son Derek Black and daughter Alicia Nalls; daughter-in-law Jill Black and son-in-law Lynn Nalls; brother James Black and sister in law Pat Black of Florida; sister Betty Karst of Columbia, SC; sister Charlotte Cordle of Rutledge, TN; Kenneth Black and sister-in-law Debbie Black of Dallas, TX; brother Alvin Black and sister-in-law Carol Black of Aiken, SC; his grandson Lance and his three granddaughters Sydney, Emmalise, Natalie and many nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service will be scheduled for a later date due to the current virus situation.

In lieu of flowers, the family ask that donations in his memory be made to [www.IPFFoundation.org](http://www.IPFFoundation.org) to support IPFF in the name of Charles Black.

# Comments

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“ Uncle Charlie...Wished we could have had another family reunion together. Your smile, laugh and warmth will always hold a special place in my heart. I wonder if you are making your award winning moonshine in heaven right now??? Till we meet again....

Your niece, Tracy



Tracy Cardella - June 17 at 10:05 PM

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“ I will sorely miss his fabulous sense of humor and compassion. He was one of the nicest people I've ever met. Rest in peace my dear friend. I know God has a smile on his face now that you're with him. My arms and prayers will remain around your family forever. Jill Calderwood

Jill Calderwood - June 16 at 07:28 PM

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“ Such a great man, wonderful husband to my sister Becky and a true leader and servant to his family and friends.  
My family and I will truly miss “Uncle Charlie”.  
Until we all gather together again on the other side....Godspeed, and go rest high on that mountain in the everlasting arms of our Savior

Jeff, Patty, Kristin, Drew, Joel and Hannah Shawver

Jeff Shawver - June 16 at 06:59 PM

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“ He was my brother from another mother and we were born on the same day. Will miss the jokes and laughter. I know for sure he's up there with our Savior. What a grand welcome it must have been. Miss you friend.

David and Mary Nadwodny

Mary Nadwodny and David - June 16 at 05:47 PM



“ Don't know where to even begin, Charlie was the best..... sad I did not know him long enough, friends for several years and he was the greatest. Always kidding and full of life!!!! Always said give Teresa, my wife , a big kiss, I would do the same with him and beckerhead:) he will never be forgotten, that's for sure!!!! Such a great man!!!! Godspeed to the family, we will always be here.....

**Don Aultz** - June 16 at 07:34 PM

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“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Black.



June 16 at 05:40 PM