



Charles Ray Austin Jr.

September 26, 1957 - October 31, 2022

Charles Ray Austin, Jr. passed away Monday, October 31st at the age of 65 at INOVA Fairfax Hospital after a brief illness. He was born in Brownsville, Pennsylvania September 26, 1957, son of Charles Ray and Elizabeth Jane (Horvath) Austin.

Charlie graduated from Bethlehem Center High School class of 1975. He worked in the coal mine for 10 years while attending tech school, earning a degree in Electronics. In 1987, he became employed with IBM and relocated to Manassas, Virginia. Making it through the buy-outs of Loral, Lockheed Martin, and BAE Systems, he ends this life with 35 years of service.

Charlie was a percussionist in his high school band and was able to share his passion of music with his daughter (Kibby) and grandson (Levi). He was Levi's #1 fan and attended many music events and home football games to watch him march. He was one proud Pap! Charlie was dedicated to his work family, as well, and was the expert in vibration, thermal and thermal vacuum systems required to test space products. He constantly popped into work to make sure his team was successful and delivered their product right first time, because he knew there wasn't room for failure.

In Charlie's spare time, he had many projects. Whether it was woodworking, laying down flooring, working on the AC or on his vehicle, he was always tinkering because he never stopped. As a member of the American Legion and H.O.G., he volunteered numerous hours and has ridden his Harley in several parades. Being from the Pittsburgh area, he was a die-hard sports

fan. Go STEELERS! He was a man with a wealth of knowledge and was respected by many. Charlie was a well-loved man with countless friends. He will be sorely missed by all.

Charlie is survived by his brother Robert Austin, sister Melanie Austin, daughter Kibby (Elizabeth) Austin and grandson Levi Pardy, daughter Jenifer Mayes and family, Chris, Lily and Max. He is predeceased by his parents and his sister, Shelly Moore (Austin).

All service arrangements will take place at Pierce Funeral Home 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA. Visitation hours will be Monday, November 14th from 6 to 8 p.m., November 15th from 10 to 11 a.m., followed by a funeral service November 15th at 11 a.m. A reception will take place at American Legion Post 10, 9950 Cockrell Road, Manassas, VA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in the name of Charlie Austin to American Legion Post 10, 9950 Cockrell Road, Manassas, VA.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **14.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Funeral Service

NOV **15.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Charlie...gonna miss you. Prayers and heartfelt condolences to your family and close friends.*

Marisa Reilly

Marisa Reilly - November 15, 2022 at 04:27 PM



“ *We were so sorry to hear about Charlie's passing. We used to talk to him when he came to our shows. A genuinely nice person. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with the family.*

*Danny Gibbs &
Skinny Wallace*

Danny Gibbs - November 15, 2022 at 02:10 PM

ML

“ *Praying for the family in your loss and asking God to wrap you in His love & comfort. During my time at BAE Charlie always had a way of making you smile, especially when talking about Kibby, Jen, & Levi.*



Marilyn Lansdowne - November 15, 2022 at 11:53 AM

DB

“ *Diane Bolton lit a candle in memory of Charles Ray Austin Jr.*



diane bolton - November 12, 2022 at 05:39 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 12, 2022 at 03:11 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 11, 2022 at 06:23 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 10, 2022 at 04:36 PM



“ *Will miss you have been friends since high school. Will miss your big hugs and smile Betty bennardini Chipps*



betty chipps - November 10, 2022 at 03:16 AM

BP

Charlie and I rode many miles on our Harleys, he will be missed. Bob Potter, Post 10 Riders, Chaplain.

Bob Potter - November 10, 2022 at 09:41 AM

GM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ginger Markoff - November 08, 2022 at 11:14 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 08, 2022 at 11:12 AM

BG

“ *BAE Systems Operations Group purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



BAE Systems Operations Group - November 08, 2022 at 11:06 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 07, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 07, 2022 at 06:07 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



November 06, 2022 at 07:17 AM



“ *Chuck was a wonderful guy. So much fun in band and Spanish class, he was one of the reasons I never skipped school.*

Karen Koval Mauprivez - November 05, 2022 at 08:35 AM

SM

“ I’ve known Chuck for many many years we grew up in the same town and shared many adventures growing up. Ron riding our bicycles to repairing our cars to keep them running. Chucks dad taught us many things about cars. I can tell many stories of those years and we both ended up working in the coal mines in southwest PA. Until they closed down. We both went to tech school and after that’s when Chuck moved. Even though our paths separated I’ll always remember those days. My prayers go out to the family during this difficult time and think of all the good times and fond memories you had together that will always keep him alive in your heart.
Rest In Peace your friend Sam.

Sam Marcolini - November 04, 2022 at 07:52 PM

ED

“ Charlie was a great friend and coworker; he will be missed greatly by many including my family and me.

Ed - November 04, 2022 at 09:58 AM

GS

“ Charlie was a great friend, always upbeat and smiling. I knew him through work and socially, a great man who will be missed by many...RIP, Charlie.

Gary Smith - November 04, 2022 at 06:19 AM

M(

“ *Maria, Ed, Deb, Dan, Patty, Ray, Chris (Patty) purchased the Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet for the family of Charles Ray Austin Jr..*



Maria, Ed, Deb, Dan, Patty, Ray, Chris (Patty) - November 03, 2022 at 11:15 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Charlie, he was very sweet, loved to ride his Harley and was a very genuine friend, enjoy your ride with the others that passed before you Charlie ❤️*



JoAnne Christensen - November 03, 2022 at 06:30 PM



I'm so sorry to hear about Charlie, he was a very sweet, kind soul that loved to ride in parades and many other events ❤️ Sending my thoughts and prayers to his prayers 🙏 Ride with all your buddies that have gone before you my friend ❤️

JoAnne Christensen - November 03, 2022 at 06:33 PM

MV

“ *I want to express my condolences. Charlie was just at my husband's funeral. I will miss his smile and kindness. We enjoyed those cookouts he held. Sending love and prayers.*

Martha Vasquez and Garrett

Martha B Vasquez - November 03, 2022 at 01:27 PM