



Charles Kirk Graves

March 15, 1950 - May 22, 2023

Charles Kirk Graves (73) of Gainesville, VA went to be with his Lord on May 22, 2023 after a short battle with cancer.

Chuck was born on March 15, 1950 to Robert Herbert Graves and Virginia Rensch Graves in Washington, DC. Chuck graduated from Potomac Senior High School in Oxon Hill, Maryland in 1968 where he met the love of his life, Marlene Louise Schiller. They were married on April 4, 1970 and went on to have three children, Kimberly Leigh (Roy) of White Plains, MD, John-Charles Preston (Julie) of Burke, VA and Sarah Elizabeth Rae of Gainesville, VA. He was Papa to his three grandchildren, William Robert, Silas Preston and Annika Louise. His family was his pride and joy, but the role he cherished the most was that of a loving, faithful husband for 53 years to Marlene.

Chuck retired after a 38-year career in the Federal Government working at DC National Guard, Department of Justice and Department of Agriculture. He also served as a reservist in the DC National Guard and the Army Reserve ending his career as a Major. Chuck then went on to have another career working for Virginia ABC and retired again in 2020.

Chuck loved attending live theater (especially musicals) and Washington Nationals games with his wife and brother. He was a lifelong fan of Charlie Brown, the music of Frank Sinatra and was always described as a kind and

caring man who loved spending time with friends and family.

Chuck became a Christian and was baptized alongside his daughter Kim in 1980 at Westover Baptist Church where he served as a deacon, church treasurer, Sunday School director and teacher as well serving in many other capacities. Chuck and Marlene became members of Manassas Baptist Church in 2010 where they both serve(d) as deacons and Chuck taught the King's Gentlemen Bible Study.

Chuck was preceded in death by his father and mother and his Aunt Shirley (Mike) Secrest who he lovingly cared for during the last months of her life. He is survived by his wife, Marlene, his children and his grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, Robert Graves (Nina), his sister Cande Jarboe (Jack) and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation for Chuck will be at 11:30 am on Tuesday, May 30th followed by his funeral service at 12:30 pm at Manassas Baptist Church, 8730 Sudley Road, Manassas, VA 20110. Burial will immediately follow at Stonewall Memory Gardens. A reception will take place at Manassas Baptist Church following the burial.

Expressions of sympathy can take the form of donations to Manassas Baptist Church for their missions, services and pastoral ministries. Contributions can be sent directly to the church at the address listed above or through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/ChuckGraves>

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 30. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Manassas Baptist Church
8800 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA 20110

Funeral Service

MAY 30. 12:30 PM (ET)

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8800 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA 20110

Burial

MAY 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

Stonewall Memory Gardens
12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Reception

MAY **30** (ET)

Manassas Baptist Church
8800 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA 20110

Tribute Wall

TS

“ *Tonia Schaffer purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.* ”



Tonia Schaffer - May 29, 2023 at 05:58 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.* ”



May 29, 2023 at 03:30 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles Kirk Graves.* ”

May 29, 2023 at 03:30 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.* ”



May 29, 2023 at 02:08 PM

BP

“ Chuck was humble and patient as he led our Sunday School class each week. Ever cheerful and genuine, he will be dearly missed.

Ben Piccone - May 28, 2023 at 09:41 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.



May 28, 2023 at 11:51 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.



May 27, 2023 at 08:50 AM

CG

“ Cavalier Warehouse Guys purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.



Cavalier Warehouse Guys - May 26, 2023 at 04:18 PM

CD

“ Cavalier International Department purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.



Cavalier International Department - May 26, 2023 at 04:09 PM

UW

“ Uncle Wayne purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Charles Kirk Graves.



Uncle Wayne - May 24, 2023 at 10:11 PM

DK

“ DAVID KAMINSKI = MY SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ="KINGS MEN " AT MANASSAS BAPTIST CHURCH !! RIP CHUCK !!

DAVID KAMINSKI - May 24, 2023 at 07:14 PM