



Charles Emory "Charlie" Fry

July 14, 1930 - December 7, 2020

Charles (Charlie) Emory Fry, 90, passed away December 7, 2020 as a result of COVID complications. Charlie was born July 14, 1930 in Chatham, NJ and was a graduate of Virginia Tech (VPI as he called it) after studying Chemistry. Charlie served in the Korean War in the U.S. Army. He enjoyed a long career in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering at Union Carbide with his last assignment leading the Waste Water Treatment Facility in So. Charleston. He loved to fish the WV streams for trout and small mouth bass, as well as hunting grouse in the hills and cliffs of Ripley. He was crafted in woodworking, delighting in making heirloom for his family. He loved woodworking so much he committed pieces of three fingers to his work. His dedication to his local church (Lakeview United Methodist) was a passion of love whether singing in the choir or serving in many laity positions. Charlie was a Methodist his entire life. Charlie was also an ordained Elder with the Reorganized Church of the Latter-Day Saints of Jesus Christ (recently renamed to the Community of Christ Church).

Charlie is preceded in death by his mother (Christa J. Jones Fry), father (Lloyd Davis Fry) and sister (Dorothy Ellen Fry Watterson and her living children Eric, Brian and Greg). He leaves behind the love of his life and wife of over 64 years, Carol Lee Emrick Fry. His children include: Andy (girlfriend Kim Fulmer and her daughter Kearie-onna Fulmer), Bob, Tim, Chuck, BettieAnn and daughters-in-law Cindy, Mary Anne, Stacey and Lisa. Charlie was blessed

with the mutual love of his grandchildren – Briana Holladay (Scott), Cassie Eklund (Josh), Rob Fry, Brandon Fry (Alyssa), Rachel Bowman (Chris). Kailey Fry, Blake Fry and Heidi Fry. He had four great grandchildren – Crosbie and Callum Bowman, Emory Fry, and Patricia Holladay. Sister / brother in-laws Marylyn and Dick May and their children Mat, Laura, Julie and families.

Charlie loved his family, churches and dog, Gracie. His baritone voice soothed many an unsettled baby as he rocked them back to sleep. He adored Carol as they made their lives together so much more than decades of service to each other – they could exchange glances in silence saying more than the possibilities of words. He prayed for his churches and family with faith, knowing his Lord would provide.

The family will forever be grateful for the opportunity for Carol to hold his hand for the last days and even after his passing. Burial arrangements will be at a later date at the Donel C. Kinnard Memorial State Veterans Cemetery in Dunbar, WV.

You may visit Charlie's tribute page at bartlettnicholsfuneralhome.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave, St. Albans WV 25177, is honored to serve the Fry family.

Cemetery Details

Donel C. Kinnard Memorial State Veterans Cemetery

130 Academy Drive
Dunbar, WV 25064

Tribute Wall

EB

“ It has been many years, but we remember Charlie as a good neighbor, parent, church member and more. We extend our condolences to Carol and to all the family.
Ken and Evadna Bartlett, Lancaster PA

EVADNA K BARTLETT - December 13, 2020 at 04:13 PM

JA

“ The years we worked for Union Carbide and the South Carleston Waste Treatment. He was a great friend and Manager and I worked in the office, accounting and other jobs. My husband, daughter and I got to know his family we created several memories. From riding on our boat to helping our waste Treatment employees putting a roof on a house for elder lady that could not afford one. We enjoyed the day working together. God has received a great angel God Bless his family

Jeannie Anderson - December 13, 2020 at 01:44 PM

GW

“ My name is Greg Woods and Mr. Fry hired me at Union Carbide in June of 1976. Charlie at that time was over the PVA.(chewing gum unit). He was a very good man to work for and a great manager. Treated everyone fair and the same. I am 64 years old now and still think of Mr. Fry on a weekly or monthly basis for some of the values and knowledge he instilled in me.

greg woods - December 13, 2020 at 05:48 AM

SF

“ Truly one of the kindest man this world will ever know . I will always remember how he welcomed me into the family and made me feel at home. We will miss you Charlie but I’m sure you are in a better place ❤️ Stacey Fry

Stacey Fry - December 11, 2020 at 10:13 AM

BF

“ I miss my Papa. I miss hearing him whistle and sing. I remember working with him in his shop and building a blue jay bird house. While we built the bird house he taught me the song “Because He Lives”. I can hear him singing it now. I will always remember him when I hear this song. He taught me many of life lessons like helping catch my first fish with just a stick, string and some bait. I will cherish these memories as well as the countless others we made. I love you Papa.

Brandon Fry - December 09, 2020 at 11:22 PM

CE

“ My Papa was the best Papa! So many memories over the years of staying with them. I could always tell when Papa was home from work or town, because you would hear singing or whistling coming up the basement steps. Loved our quail hunting trips. He taught me a lot about gardening, tools, heritage and how to give a good back rub. His sense of humor was great and cpuld even catch you off guard sometimes. So many great conversation from faith to how do ice skaters keep their outfits from riding up. He was probably the kindest and most patient person I know. He will always be a part of me and I will cherish each memory I have of him.



Cassie Fry Eklund - December 09, 2020 at 06:26 PM

RB

“ *My Papa loved jelly belly candies. He used to organize the flavors with me as a kid and we loved talking about the different types- popcorn! He was always so kind to others and he had an amazing singing voice, I remember listening to him sing and being so proud he was my grandpa. I miss him but can't wait to see him again in Heaven.*

Rachael 'Fry' Bowman - December 09, 2020 at 03:04 PM

DM

“ *My sweet Carolee there are no words of comfort other than telling you how my heart hurts for your loss of your perfect partner Charlie. Always a great joy to be in a welcome hug from Charlie. So gentle a soul with kindness and understanding, intelligence who was always ready to comfort everyone. A great loss for us who love him a great addition to heaven.*

Donna Martin - December 09, 2020 at 02:40 PM