



Charles Thomas Taylor Sr

May 13, 1948 - August 27, 2024

Charles Taylor, 76, of Muscle Shoals, passed away on August 27th after a long and fulfilling life.

Born on May 13, 1948, in Spruce Pine, Alabama, to George and Evola Taylor, Charles graduated from Phil Campbell High School in 1966 and went on to study at Samford University. It was there that he began his distinguished career in higher education. Throughout his life, Charles remained highly active, excelling in basketball during high school and playing softball at church.

In 1971, Charles married Mary Ann, and together they shared 53 wonderful years of marriage. They were blessed with two children: Charles Taylor, Jr. and Mary Angela Harrelson. Charles was a devoted member of his church, leading music, teaching classes, and always being there for those in need. He was a cherished member of Muscle Shoals Baptist Church.

After dedicating approximately 35 years to Northwest Community College, Charles retired in 2013 to spend more time with his grandchildren and to travel with dear friends, Max Sales and Cathy Oieling. He had a deep love for his family and made it a point to express his love and appreciation to them often. Charles never met a stranger and was known for his warm and welcoming nature.

Charles was predeceased by his parents, George and Evola Taylor, and his in-laws, David and Mary Tullis. He is survived by his beloved wife, Mary Ann Taylor; his children, Charles Taylor, Jr. (Collin Dolecheck) and Mary Angela

Harrelson (Derrick McKee); his grandchildren: Joshua Harrelson, Carly Harrelson, Emily Harrelson, and Aiden Taylor; his sisters, Wanda Harper and Sharon Farned; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

A service to celebrate Charles's life will be held at Muscle Shoals Baptist Church, 621 River Road, Muscle Shoals, AL on Saturday, August 31, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. The visitation will take place from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. at the church. Bro. Tommy Smith will officiate the service. The burial will be at Liberty Hill Cemetery in Phil Campbell.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made, in name of Charles Taylor, to Muscle Shoals Baptist Church, the American Cancer Society, or a charitable organization of your choosing.

Tribute Wall

KR

“ I am deeply sorry to hear about the passing of your father. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.”



Kimberly Russell - August 30, 2024 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ A Cluster of 10 Trees has been donated to be planted in A Forest of Great Need in memory of Charles Thomas Taylor Sr. Please know that our thoughts are with you during this time. If there?s anything more we can do, please don't hesitate to let us know. - HSC Deans and members of the Provost's Office.



Dimitrios Karamichos - August 30, 2024 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Prayers for the family”

Milford Brown - August 28, 2024 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Charles was one of a kind. He helped me so much at NWSCC in Phil Campbell. Charles was a kind man who would help anyone out he could. He will surely be missed by all that knew him. Prayers for the family. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. Charles loved his family and God more than anything and spoke of them often. You could see the happiness in his eyes when he talked about his family and his grandchildren. Charles was a good man. I will miss him.

Linda Hutcheson - August 28, 2024 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ My prayers are with the Taylor family during this time. May you find comfort in the love and support that surrounds you. As the Sufi poet Rumi once said, "When someone dies, it's as if a library burns down." May the memories and legacy of your father's life continue to inspire and guide the family and may you find solace in the cherished moments you shared with him.



Shafik Dharamsi - August 28, 2024 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Family,
Charles helped my son with a scholarship at Northwest. Still remember his kindness.
Jane Keeton McManus

Jane Keeton McManus - August 28, 2024 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Dear Mary Ann, Grandmother of my darling Aiden. My heartfelt sympathy for you and your family. I have lost 2 husbands and know the sense of being alone after a long and happy relationship. I have always admired your pictures with Aiden and your husband that Colin often posts on facebook. I wish I would have been able to meet such a nice man and fabulous Grandfather. Thank you for your love. Nancy Bogue



Nancy Bogue - August 27, 2024 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Praying for your family.💎

Adam King - August 27, 2024 at 12:00 AM