



Charles Riddell Huntington Sr.

February 20, 1938 - January 10, 2019

Charles Riddell Huntington, Sr. went home to his Lord on January 10, 2019, following heart surgery and extensive hospitalization. Beloved husband of Joann Kuerst Huntington for 54 years and father to Charles, Jr. and Richard Alfred, MD, he was born in Saint Louis MO on February 20, 1938, to Donald and Lucy Huntington. The family also lived in Minneapolis MN and Spartanburg, SC. Charlie attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on an NROTC scholarship where he received a BA in English and an MBA. While there he was President of Chi Psi Fraternity, and he was a lifelong Tarheels basketball fan.

After serving as an officer in the U.S. Navy on the destroyer DD699, USS Waldron in the Mediterranean and Suez Canal region, he worked as Field Secretary/Visitor for Chi Psi Fraternity, advising chapters across the country. He joined Wachovia Bank as a Commercial Loan Officer in North Carolina. In 1972, he joined Robert Morris Associates (now Risk Management Associates) headquartered in One Liberty Place in Philadelphia and worked with Senior Lending Officers around the nation and the world, leading seminars regarding sound lending practices. As a resident of Paoli, PA for 43 years, Charlie served as Scoutmaster of BSA Troop 181 and received the BSA Silver Beaver Award. He also served as a Bible Teacher and Elder at Paoli and Narberth Presbyterian Churches. He was a Precinct Committeeman in Tredyffrin Township and was a strong supporter of our Founding Fathers' values.

In retirement, Charlie served in a volunteer capacity as Church Administrator at Narberth Presbyterian Church. Since moving to Tel Hai Retirement Community in 2015, and enjoying the nearby Amish farms, Charlie served on the Resident Council and in prayer ministries. Sailing in Cape Cod and watching the shore birds around Pleasant Bay were favored summer activities for decades, near where his Mayflower ancestors first settled.

In addition to Joann, Charles, Jr. and Richard, he is survived by Sarah, Stacey, and Amy Huntington, and grandchildren Anthony, Christopher, Michael PFC-USMC, Charles III, Braden, Marigrace, Benjamin, and Julia, brothers Donald, Jr. and wife Eleanor of Cincinnati, OH, and David and wife Caroline of Lexington, SC, and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Services will be held on Wednesday, January 16 at 2pm at Washington Memorial Chapel in Valley Forge Park, where the family will receive guests after 1 pm. Burial in the General Huntington section of the cemetery will follow.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Heart Association and to Cornerstone Christian Academy,
PO Box 5520, 1939 South 58th Street, Philadelphia PA 19143.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Riddell Huntington Sr..*



January 14, 2019 at 12:26 PM



“ *Charlie was a longtime member of the Delaware Valley Chapter of NACBA. His service to the chapter will long be remembered, as will his friendship and fellowship. Since his retirement we have greatly missed Charlie attending our meetings and providing his zest for life and for his Savior.*

Dave Focht

David Focht - January 14, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *Such a great loss here and a great gain in heaven. I can't help thinking about Mr. Huntington without first seeing his smile, his gentle touch and soft, encouraging words. With great humility, he loved God, the Bible and serving others. He did so much for other people. He taught me that "ain't no loving passes through, that some don't stick to the sides," and many other things. He was ready to discuss scripture and quote it. He dwelled on it and lived it. In his absence, I will have to pull for the Tarheels twice as hard. Heaven is a better place because he is there!*

Martha Benbow - January 11, 2019 at 11:27 PM

SJ

“ Charlie was so dear to me! He loved his Joann and his family so much! Every conversation we had showed his dear Jesus was first and I loved being part of family devotions and prayer. My beautiful golden retriever, Charlie, was named after him as he was to be a therapy dog and one that would serve others. Charlie will do his 400th therapy visit tomorrow at the senior care facility in Sun City.

Sheila Joyce - January 11, 2019 at 08:56 PM

MO

Such a great, gentleman with loving voice and ever smiling face. I met him twice. Unforgettable. May God grant him paradise. I know Charlie Huntington for a long time who's such a great person like as his father.

Mohammad(7-Eleven) - January 12, 2019 at 10:10 AM

PL

We only met Charlie recently, and were in his presence a few times. He was such a kind, caring and gentle man, accepting everyone at face value without judging. Our only regret is not getting to know him better and spending more time with this "one of a kind" individual.

Paul & Cathy Luksh

Paul & Cathy Luksh - January 14, 2019 at 11:38 AM



Charlie was a true Gentleman. He dedicated a great deal of his time to the Boys Scouts and specially Paoli Troop 181. Our son, Michael Patrick and many other boys benefitted from his caring and leadership. Thank you Charlie. Mike and Suzanne Sehl

Mike Sehl - January 15, 2019 at 05:58 PM