



Charles W. Grinstead

April 15, 1927 - December 31, 2018

Charles Watkins Grinstead age 91 of 523 Northmont Boulevard in Danville VA died on December 31, 2018 at 8:11am at WakeMed Health in Raleigh, NC.

Born April 15, 1927 near Turbeville in Halifax County. He was the son of the late Harvey W and Annie Williamson Grinstead.

In addition to his parents he was predeceased by a sister, Dorothy Levy.

Charles was married to Dorothy Soyars Payne Grinstead. He was a member of Riverview Baptist Church. He was a graduate of Turbeville High School. In September 1944 he enlisted in the US Army Air Corps Reserve before being called to active duty. Later he was a member of the U.S. Inactive Air Corps Reserve for 10 years.

He was a charter member of the Danville Barbershop Chorus and Quartets, and a former member of the Danville Antique Car Club. His hobbies were antique cars, camping, model trains, and playing piano.

Through his life he strived to help others that he felt were not as fortunate as him. He was a certified master watchmaker and diamond setter. He graduated from Hamilton Watch Company School of Watchmaking in April 1951. He achieved the certified master watchmaking degree given jointly by the

American Watchmaker Association and the Bureau of Standards of Washington DC. After 22 years in the jewelry business he went to work for Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in the unisteel division. Retiring in 1989 after 16 years.

Charles is survived by his wife Dorothy Soyars Grinstead; his daughter, Suzanne Walker (Mike) of Raleigh North Carolina; sister, Joyce Motley (Willie) of Danville, Virginia; and sister, June Adams (Dick) of Destin Beach, Florida. In addition, he had two grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday, January 4, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel with the Rev. Daniel Custer officiating. Interment will follow the service in Highland Burial Park.

The family will receive friends prior to the service from 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. at the funeral home.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Grinstead family.

Cemetery Details

Highland Burial Park

3049 North Main Street
Danville, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel
5858 Riverside Drive
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Tribute Wall

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“ Was very sorry to hear of Charles dying. He was always friendly and sharing photos. My son, Chuck and I shared Christmas with the family and Charles and Dot, this year. We had a great day together. He will be missed by his family and friends.
Love to the family,
Trudy and Chuck Payne



Trudy Payne - January 09, 2019 at 06:13 PM

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“ We will miss seeing and talking to Charles in the Calvary community. Always enjoyed our conversations very much! He is a fine man and will be missed by all who knew him! Clark & Joe Graves and family



Clark Graves - January 04, 2019 at 12:52 PM

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“ Dot & Family, You have our deepest sympathy in the loss of Charles! He was a kind and gentle soul, a friend if you needed one. We will miss him...our thoughts and prayers are with you today as you lay him to rest. Jess & Kathryn Clayton

Kathrynclayton - January 04, 2019 at 10:43 AM



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Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - January 04, 2019 at 06:48 AM

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“ *Joan and Alvin Necessary*



alvin and Joan Necessary - January 03, 2019 at 07:34 AM

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“ *love and prayers for the family. God bless you. James and Betty McGhee.,*



BETTY MCGHEE - January 03, 2019 at 07:26 AM