



Charles Goodman

October 19, 1929 - February 23, 2017

Charles Goodman, 87, was born to the late Charles Goodman and Mary Washington on October 19, 1929. He passed away peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at his home surrounded by family and lots of love.

Born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland, he was one of 18 children. Charles was educated in the Baltimore City Schools and often shared stories of his humble beginnings. He always honored his mother who worked as a domestic and reflected on how she made many sacrifices for the family. This experience drove him to work hard for everything he had.

Upon completion of his education, he began his career in construction and worked various jobs. In 1951, he enlisted in the United States Army and on August 4 of the same year, he married the love of his life, the former Catherine Rabb. He lovingly referred to her as "Lena" because she reminded him of singer and actress, Lena Horne. Shortly thereafter on August 7, 1951, he was deployed to Korea. After serving in the Korean War, he was honorably discharged from the Army on May 6, 1953.

Charles and Catherine were soon blessed with the birth of their two daughters; the first, Alice Renee' was born on June 6, 1954 and their second, Rhonda Ann on April 6, 1956. Charles was a devoted husband and father and

always put his family first. He was an excellent provider and worked for several employers including Bethlehem Steel, Signode and Giant.

He was a Christian and loved the Lord. He accepted Jesus as his Savior and was baptized at Southern Baptist Church 57 years ago. Charles remained an active member of the church and the Senior Usher Board until his health declined. He was the marshal of the male ushers and served with honor. Charles was always at the head of the line as he lead the male ushers down the middle aisle of Southern Baptist Church. He marched with pride at Southern and various other churches during their Usher Anniversary Celebrations. He loved to march and did it well!

Charles was affectionately known as Pop-Pop, Charles-In-Charge, Charlie Hockadoo and Charlie G. He was a kind and gentle man and a mentor to many. He was a shining example of what it means to be a good Christian, husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, neighbor and friend. He was passionate about helping people and never turned anyone away. He would often say, "I'm a blessed man," and believed in being a blessing to others. He never let a day go by without telling his family how much he loved them. He always talked about how he loved his wife, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and the puppy, too!

Charlie's favorite things included sitting on his front porch with Lena, making tea in his tea kettle, spending time with his family, reading the Bible and newspaper each morning, retreating to his apartment (better known as the kitchen) and driving his car. He also loved telling funny stories and making his family laugh -- especially when imitating Nat King Cole and reminiscing about his favorite blues singer, Bull Moose Jackson. He loved the movies "Camelot" with Richard Harris and "Soylent Green" with Charlton Heston. His favorite songs were "Stand" by Donnie McClurkin and "Shake You Down" by Gregory Abbott. And weekdays, from 12:30p.m. to 1:30 p.m., he transformed into his

alter-ego, billionaire businessman, "Victor Newman" as he watched the character on his favorite show, "The Young and the Restless." During that hour, he made power moves, business deals and talked with a German accent.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory his wife of 65 years, Catherine (Lena) Goodman; daughters A. Renee' Goodman-Tolson and Rhonda Ann Goodman; son-in-law, Robert W. Tolson; granddaughters, Summar Joi Goodman and Crystal Jasmin Goodman; great-grandsons, Tyger Goodman-Gaitlin and Julien Robinson; and devoted dog, Spike. He was preceded in death by siblings; Emma Lee, Carmelia, Helen, Dorothy, Mary, Richard, John, Robert and Rudolph. He is also survived by brothers and sisters; Elijah, Melvin, Albert, Leonard (Brenda), Alice, Doreatha, Gloria, Naomi Ruth (Bernard); and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He will be sorely missed.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 7. 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Life Tribute Center, P.A. - Randallstown
5616 Old Court Road
Windsor Mill, MD 21244
(410) 655-0110
<https://www.marchlifetributecenter.com>

Family Hour

MAR 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

MAR 8. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ He was a great father figure even though he was my great grandfather I love him to death its not a time I go by forgetting about the impact he bought in my life he was good christian man I love him rest in peace ❤️🙏🕊️

Tyger Goodman - January 19, 2023 at 02:12 PM



“ Charles Goodman

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ My deepest condolences to family. Remembering one of the best Ushers in Southern Baptist Church, Mr Goodman. May the Lord comfort and keep you.



Angela Higgs Davis

Angela Higgs Davis - April 12, 2017 at 12:03 AM



Thanks so much Angela. It means so much to know that you remembered my Dad. He looked forward to seeing you at Provident Bank when you worked there. He always admired you and the Higgs family. May GOD BLESS YOU.

Alice Renee Goodman-Tolson - July 06, 2017 at 09:25 AM

MB

“ Maurice , Geneva & The Boys lit a candle in memory of Charles Goodman



Maurice , Geneva & The Boys - March 07, 2017 at 09:30 PM

AG

My heart is so happy to know that you thought of my Dad. May GOD continue to Bless your family and give you Peace.

Alice Renee Goodman-Tolson - July 06, 2017 at 09:27 AM

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My heart is so happy to know that you thought of my Dad. May GOD continue to Bless your family and give you Peace.

Alice Renee Goodman-Tolson - July 06, 2017 at 09:30 AM

EB

“ To the family of the late Charles Goodman, it is with deep sympathy I share my love with you. Mr. Goodman was the MARCHING USHER with the bop!!!! Your daughters and I grew up together in Sunday School. A REQUIREMENT that we all shared due to our parents. Your memories of him will live on within you.

Love Eldridge O. Branch

Eldridge Branch - March 07, 2017 at 02:16 PM

AG

Your presence meant more than you will ever know. Thank you for the kind words of love. You will always be a part of a time in our lives when we were all young and innocent. My Dad was so proud of you and loved when you directed the choir at Southern Baptist Church. GOD BLESS YOU.

Alice Renee Goodman-Tolson - July 06, 2017 at 09:34 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Goodman.*



March 07, 2017 at 08:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Goodman.*



March 05, 2017 at 09:53 PM



“ *With my deepest condolences to the family of Charles Goodman. May the Almighty, the God of tender mercies and of all comfort, who comforts us in all our trials (2Corinthians1:3,4), comfort you and your family in this time of need.*

D Barnes - February 28, 2017 at 08:08 PM



“ *I am so sorry for the death of your love one please read the book of psalms to find you some comfort*

danon - February 28, 2017 at 05:50 AM

AG

“ Alice R Goodman purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Charles Goodman.



Alice R Goodman - February 28, 2017 at 03:57 AM

DA

“ I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family in the loss of your loved one . May the fond memories shared and resurrection hope Jesus spoke of in the Bible at John 5 : 28,29 be a source of comfort doing this time of grief and pain .

D Allen - February 26, 2017 at 06:46 AM

AF

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy in the passing of your loved one. God promises comfort to the brokenhearted. (Psalms 34:18). May your fond memories and love for each other provide you with peace and May Gods word always provide comfort.

Armstrong Family - February 25, 2017 at 06:36 PM

HF

“ Our family offers sincere condolences to your family during your time of bereavement. May you find comfort in reading God's word at 1Pet 5:7

Harris family - February 24, 2017 at 07:14 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - February 24, 2017 at 01:52 PM