



## Charles Adkins

May 11, 1932 - September 30, 2019

Bluefield, WV- The most gregarious man in the world has died. Charles Adkins (No, he was never given a middle name) was born at home in Algoma, WV on May 11, 1932 to Alice and Walter Adkins and died on the last beautiful day in September 2019. The birth and death of this man is not nearly as relevant as the days and nights that he lived to the fullest between those two dates.

Charles was the youngest of 9 children in the Adkins family and the last living of his generation. He loved his brothers and sisters Raymond, Lily Mae, Lula Bell,

Walter Jr., Mary, Frank, Millie Katherine, and William McKinley. He was gifted with a mind for numbers and athletic ability. He played basketball and football in

high school but developed a true passion for golf in his later years. After high school, he completed two years of post-high school accounting studies. He married Carol Price on New Year's Eve in 1951 and settled in Northfork, WV. They

moved to Princeton, WV in 1965 where he resided for the remainder of his 87 years.

Charles had an ability to connect with people and he had a vast network of friends and colleagues over the years. He had a genuine interest in people and was never afraid to offer assistance or help. As his entrepreneurial spirit grew with businesses, his reach became even broader. He forged many

relationships.

He played a great deal of golf and enjoyed winning championships even at the WV State level. Many thanks to William Jones and family who included him in their activities and ran errands for him whenever he asked, Wayne Brown who kept him busy and drove him wherever he wanted to go, Bob Holyroyd who was there when he needed him, David who was his friend and kept him safe; and the staff at Mercer Nursing and Rehab who gave him great care and friendships and Ruth Cassell whose companionship he has missed.

Left behind to carry on Charles' legacy are his beloved daughters, Debbie and Alison, Debbie's husband, Gerry, and his four grandchildren who were his pride

and joy. Nothing made him happier than when he was spending time with Rachel, Matt, Nino, and Ally and as they grew into young adults, he enjoyed dispensing sage advice, talking politics, stocks, and sports.

Charles would not want anyone to spend money on his funeral. Instead, he would rather you enjoy a meal with your family, spend time together, visit someone who is homebound or in a nursing home or do something that you love. He lived a full life and we are honored to celebrate the time he spent here on this earth. We encourage you to do the same.

Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Mr. Charles Adkins.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Adkins*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Charles was good friend of my brother, John Placidi and we have some good memories of him!! He was good basketball player and enjoyed his friendship while we went to Northfork High School!! Rest in Peace my dear friend!*

**Anna Placidi Conte** - October 07, 2019 at 06:53 AM



“ *Charles, was a kind, hardworking, and a friend. So sorry for your loss.*

**Gerri Broyles-Lamie** - October 06, 2019 at 02:46 PM



“ *Debbie, Gerry and family... We are so sorry for the loss of your dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all in the coming weeks ahead. Cherish your memories.. Alva and Bob Jones Sumter, SC*

**Alva Jones** - October 04, 2019 at 09:59 AM



*Debbie , Gerry and family. So sorry to hear about the death of your father. His obituary was so illuminating about his life. God bless you and your family. Martha and Berkie Birkelbach*

**Martha Birkelbach** - October 05, 2019 at 11:06 AM

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*I'm sorry to hear of Charle's death..I graduated with him from Northfork High School in In 1950 ..I enjoyed being with him at our school reunions..Condolences to the family..*

**Helen Young** - October 07, 2019 at 06:24 AM

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*I'm so sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. He was very kind to our family.*

**Angel Bailey** - October 07, 2019 at 05:46 PM