

Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson

August 20, 1921 - August 2, 2019

Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson, 97, of Henderson, passed away Friday, August 2, 2019, at his residence. A visitation will be held from 5:00-7:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at Crawford - A. Crim Funeral Home. A Burial Eucharist to celebrate Charlie's life will be held privately at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church for the Richardson/Dismukes families, St. Matthew's family and close friends at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, August 7, under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Mr. Richardson was born August 20, 1921 in Baton Rouge, LA to Charles Adam and Marjorie Hepburn Richardson. A graduate of Baton Rouge High School, Charlie attended Louisiana State University before enlisting in the United States Army Air Corps, in which he served as a pilot during World War II.

When he returned from overseas, Charlie married Reube Gene Shaw in Henderson, TX on November 13, 1944. They spent their first year of marriage in the Army Air Corps. After being discharged from the Air Corps, Charlie completed his degree in Mechanical Engineering at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. The Richardson's then made their home in many places as Charlie pursued his career with Gulf Oil. Gene and Charlie moved back to Henderson in 1952 where Charlie managed family property and taught in the Engineering Department at Kilgore College until 1977. Charlie served for

many years as a director on the board of several local civic and private organizations, including Henderson Memorial Hospital, Henderson Federal Savings and Loan, Citizens National Bank, and the Kilgore College Foundation. He was a longtime member of the Kiwanis Club. Charlie was one of the founders of the Youth Expo Center in Henderson. He and Gene particularly enjoyed helping local youth by providing academic scholarships for graduates of Henderson High School. They also took great joy in establishing the Charles F. Richardson International Studies Scholarship Program at Austin College in Sherman, TX. Charlie was a devoted member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church where he served through the years as a lay reader and as a Sunday School teacher. Charlie and Gene loved their family and friends. They were known for sharing their hospitality at their home in Henderson as well as at their Colorado condominiums, first in Breckenridge and later in Steamboat Springs. Charlie was an avid skier and was known for sharing his love of the sport by introducing it to all who dared to follow him on whatever mountain he happened to be exploring at the time. In addition, he loved to travel, go to the horse races and to ballroom dance with Gene.

Charlie was blessed to be assisted by his friends Vera Johnson and Rick Wilson who worked for the Richardson's for many years.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Gene Richardson; son, Charles F. Richardson; brother, Parry Richardson and his wife Betty; and sister, Janet Dixon and her husband Lou.

He is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth Richardson Dismukes of Henderson; grandchildren, Rebecca Dismukes of Denton, Robert Dismukes of Corpus Christi, Regan Linz and her husband Josh of Austin; great-grandchildren, Katherin, Robert Jr., and Dale Dismukes; sister, Marjorie Montgomery of Baton Rouge; and numerous nieces, nephews, other family, and friends.

Honorary pallbearers are Joe Wylie, Robert Dismukes, Rick Wilson, Johnny Kangerga, David Alford, Johnny Johnson, Bill Preston, Gyce Butler, and Mike Patton.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 214 College Avenue, Henderson, Texas 75654 or to the charity of your choice.

Condolences may be made at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 South Main Street
Henderson, TX 75654

Tribute Wall



“ Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 05, 2019 at 05:18 PM

RG

“ I first met Mr. Richardson when I attended Kilgore College in 1966-68. He taught me several math classes. He was a great teacher who always wanted his students to do their best. I really enjoyed his classes. Later on, I was privileged to teach Elizabeth in 8th grade math. She was a fantastic student. I considered Mr. Richardson a true friend. He never met a stranger. Elizabeth, may God bless you and your entire family at this time. My wife and I are praying for peace for you at this time.

Robert Gholson - August 08, 2019 at 02:54 PM



“ Love and Prayers



Cyndy Broadus - August 08, 2019 at 02:13 PM



Roberta
Vallantyne

“ *Roberta Vallantyne lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Roberta Vallantyne - August 07, 2019 at 02:57 PM



EL

“ *This special man and his sweet wife were part of my childhood. I will always remember "Uncle Charlie's" since of humor and kind heart. He was always so fun to be with even though those geese in his lake scared me to death. I can hear his laughs now. He will be missed but I know he is in heaven at peace now and having a wonderful reunion with "Aunt Gene" and his lifelong friends. There was no kinder more generous man than Charles Richardson. Emily Wray Robinson Lamont*

Emily Lamont - August 07, 2019 at 08:16 AM



ME

“ *Michelle Epps lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Michelle Epps - August 06, 2019 at 08:20 PM

MM

“ Mike Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Mike Mason - August 06, 2019 at 04:41 PM

MT

“ Mike Mason Granger TX lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Mike Mason Granger TX - August 06, 2019 at 04:41 PM

MB

“ Margaret Green Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Margaret Green Brown - August 05, 2019 at 10:20 PM

AB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Amy Blackwell - August 05, 2019 at 08:10 PM

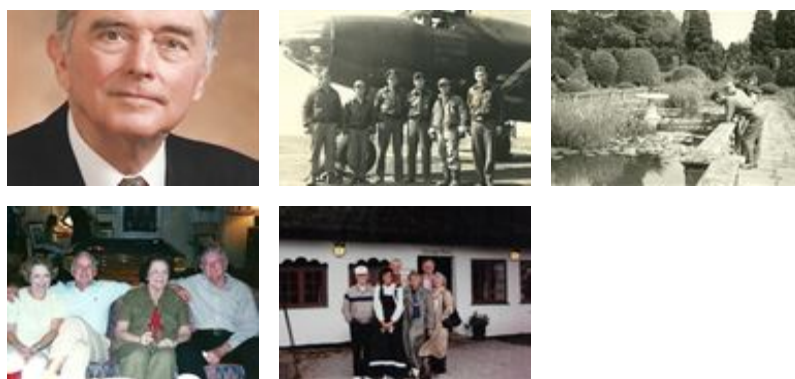
CW

“ Johnny and I will always remember Charlie's excitement at seeing - and I believe flying in - the warbirds at the Rusk County Fly-In/Airshow. He was such a great man and will be truly missed. Our deepest condolences to the family.

Cyndi Walker - August 05, 2019 at 05:15 PM



“ 110 files added to the album Life Tributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 05, 2019 at 05:14 PM

JD

“ We will always remember the smile on his face when he and his wife danced to Cajun music at our daughter's wedding reception in 2002. He teased that they had a hard time walking but the music made them dance. He was such a special man and we were proud to have him as a friend.

Jim/Mary Dudley - August 05, 2019 at 11:22 AM

JD

“ *Jim/Mary Dudley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Jim/Mary Dudley - August 05, 2019 at 11:17 AM

SM

“ *Up until a few years ago, I would visit with Mr. Richardson when he attended one of Miriam Powell's famous "WEDNESDAY" coffees. He was such a low key but extremely interesting gentleman. I still have a fishing lure that I won while fishing when our Sunday School class held a tournament on his lake in 1963 or so. B-26 pilot...wow! Skip Miller. Jefferson, Texas*

Skip miller - August 05, 2019 at 09:18 AM

TE

“ *Trish Jones Evkart lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Trish Jones Evkart - August 05, 2019 at 08:40 AM

AR

“ *Alfred Ritter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Alfred Ritter - August 04, 2019 at 08:28 PM

JH

“ Jerry & Carol Phillips Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Jerry & Carol Phillips Harris - August 04, 2019 at 07:51 PM

AR

“ Alfred Ritter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Alfred Ritter - August 04, 2019 at 06:31 PM

GJ

“ Mr. Charles H. Richardson has been part of my life for most of my life. When I was 15, he stepped up, serving as a role model, mentor, employer and friend. The responsibility, authority, safety and love he showed me was critical and I credit Charlie and Jean with helping me during a rough time. This was not uncommon. Charlie Richardson was a larger-than-life, positive influence to so many people. I am blessed to have known him, and to have shared a childhood with Charles and Elizabeth. I will miss him for the rest of my life.

Guy St John
Chesapeake, Virginia

Guy St John - August 04, 2019 at 04:27 PM

SS

“ My thought and prayers to Elizabeth and her family. Mr. Richardson was one of my favorite people. I remember him taking us to the college sometimes when Liz and I were kids. He will be missed.

Shauna Singletary - August 04, 2019 at 01:38 PM

JG

“ Charlie and Ruebe Jean were very close friends of my family, Eugenia and M.J. Pipsaire. I have many wonderful memories of them visiting at our home and taking trips with them to Galveston. He was such a wonderful man with a quick wit and caring sole. I know is with Ruebe Jean and my parents in heaven having a great reunion.

Jean Pipsaire Griffith - August 04, 2019 at 12:21 PM

JG

“ Jean Pipsaire Griffith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Jean Pipsaire Griffith - August 04, 2019 at 12:17 PM

BT

“ Bruce Tate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Bruce Tate - August 03, 2019 at 08:32 PM

JT

“ *Jean Tate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Jean Tate - August 03, 2019 at 08:32 PM

ML

“ *Mary Lowe lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Mary Lowe - August 03, 2019 at 08:18 PM

CB

“ *Rest In Peace and Enjoy Heaven Mr. Richardson. Thank you for your friendship and stories at Strong - Hurt Pharmacy Coffee Club. Thank you for your military service to our country during World War II. Listening to your war stories and your piloting and flying skills of the B-26 Maurader was amazing. Thank you for all you and Ruebe did for our community. You'll never be forgotten.*



Chad Boatwright - August 03, 2019 at 06:11 PM

JT

“ JILL DULANY TURNER lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



JILL DULANY TURNER - August 03, 2019 at 05:02 PM

GA

“ I first met Charlie at the sales table for Poovey's Peaches. Later, I'd see him around, and we'd have a nice, chit-chat style visit. I can't remember one topic of conversation; we both liked to talk. I knew him as a kind, friendly gentleman. I was fortunate he liked peaches or, perhaps, visiting at the stand.

Gay Allen - August 03, 2019 at 04:36 PM

PH

We met Mr. Richardson when his daughter lived next door to us. He was such a nice gentleman. Our sympathy to Elizabeth and his grandkids during this very difficult time.

peggy hunt - August 03, 2019 at 08:58 PM

SM

“ Shannon And Jason Mckey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson



Shannon and Jason Mckey - August 03, 2019 at 12:37 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Bob & Sue Henderson - August 03, 2019 at 11:56 AM

TJ

“ *Tracie Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Tracie Jones - August 03, 2019 at 10:37 AM

SH

“ *Sally Hosea lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Sally Hosea - August 03, 2019 at 10:19 AM

MD

“ *R I P my friend...*

mary davis - August 03, 2019 at 09:33 AM

MD

“ *Mary Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



mary davis - August 03, 2019 at 09:31 AM

JS

“ *Jan Spann lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



Jan Spann - August 03, 2019 at 09:19 AM

MG

“ *Mark & Nancy Gibson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



mark & nancy gibson - August 03, 2019 at 08:38 AM

PP

“ *Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Hepburn Richardson*



pud patterson - August 03, 2019 at 08:25 AM