



Mr. Charles W. Strong

January 10, 1935 - October 29, 2019

Funeral services for Mr. Charles W. Strong, 84, of the Church Hill community, will be at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 at the Church Hill United Methodist Church. Interment will follow at Strong Cemetery under the direction of Crawford - A. Crim Funeral Home of Henderson.

Visitation will be from 6 - 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 1, 2019 at the funeral home.

My precious Charles left our earthly home and was embraced by his Lord and Savior at 7:33 A.M., October 29, at Christus Good Shepherd in Longview, Texas.

Born on January 10, 1935, Charles was the eighth and last baby child born to Emmett and Grace Strong of the Church Hill community. His parents and all of his brothers and sisters preceded him to heaven.

As a young boy, Charles had already developed a love of the outdoors and helped his daddy with the bee colonies from which his dad made honey that was sold in the store. This was not his favorite job, and he detested bees forever more.

Charles attended school in the Church Hill school until the school burned at which time he transferred to the Henderson Independent School District. He played on the varsity basket-ball team and was named several times to the

all-district teams. While playing basket-ball, he was dubbed with the nickname of "Chicken Strong" because of his long slender legs and he carried that name forever. Upon graduation, he was offered several basket-ball scholarships but opted to begin his working career with Hudson Engineering and later transferred to Texas Eastman where he retired after 36 years of service.

Charles loved to fish on Red River with friends and family. His favorite trip was the last one he made with son Stephen and very dear friend John Walker.

He was also an excellent deer hunter and hunted for over fifty years with his childhood friend Ed Perry. Together they killed the first deer in the Church Hill area. After Ed preceded Charles to heaven, he lost his interest in this sport and often said, "It was not the same without Ed."

Until he was physically unable, every spring and fall we would find Charles in the middle of the road on his John Deere to break up garden plots for his neighbors, and family.

Charles was an active member of the Church Hill Methodist Church for over seventy years. He was an excellent Sunday School teacher for over fifty years and served that same amount of time as Lay Leader of the congregation.

As his wife Nancy, I survive Charles and son, Stephen Wesley Strong and wife Stacey and daughter Stevie Bre. Also surviving Charles are Stacey's sons, Andrew Barber, and Tyson Barber, and family. My children surviving are Lauri Jill Gimpel, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Bassinger and children Haley, Grant, and Colin, Mr. and Mrs. Jason McNally and children Baleigh Wren, Eden Elizabeth, and Phoebe Lou (my namesake). He is also survived by a host of the most wonderful nieces and nephews that God ever made.

Serving as pallbearers are, Jason McNally, Tommy Strong, Mark Strong, Mark Perry, Hunter Perry, Michael Perry, John Walker, and Tim Ashmore.

Serving as honorary pallbearers are Vicky Walker, Myra Smith, Perry and Jo Ann Terry, Bob and Lake Woodruff, Dean Centers, Jon Best, my bridge clubs, my volunteer groups and the wonderful members of the Church Hill United Methodist Church.

If you choose to give a remembrance for Charles , I know he would be so pleased to know that a donation was given in his name to the Methodist Children's Home, 921 Shiloh Rd B300, Tyler, TX 75703, or to the Church Hill United Methodist Church 8103 FM 1251 Henderson, Tx. 75652.

Charles always said he would go before me and build us a log cabin and he and our dog Sabrina would be waiting for me on the front porch. I await that day. I covet your prayer as I try to transition my life to living without this wonderful man.

Condolences may be made at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Strong Cemetery

CR 333
Henderson, TX 75652

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

NOV 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Church Hill United Methodist Church
8103 FM 1251
Henderson, TX 75652

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - November 01, 2019 at 10:23 AM

SK

A lovely video. My thoughts are with you, nancy.

Suzanne kinard - November 01, 2019 at 10:30 AM

RS

“ *Ami,
Sending our love and prayers to you, the family and especially Mrs Nancy during this time of reflection. Mr Strong was an incredible man and will be missed by many. Praying for Gods comfort.
All of our love,
Ricki “Skelly” and Shannon Skelton*

Ricki and Shannon Skelton - November 03, 2019 at 11:22 PM

KA

“ *Charles was a good man and worker for the Lord, as is Nancy. He will be missed at Church Hill and Oak Hill Church as he and Nancy were faithful to attend the Homecoming at Oak Hill for many years. You all are in my prayers. Love Sally Kay.*

KayTrammell - November 02, 2019 at 12:50 PM

BT

“ Bruce Tate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Bruce Tate - November 01, 2019 at 05:45 PM

JT

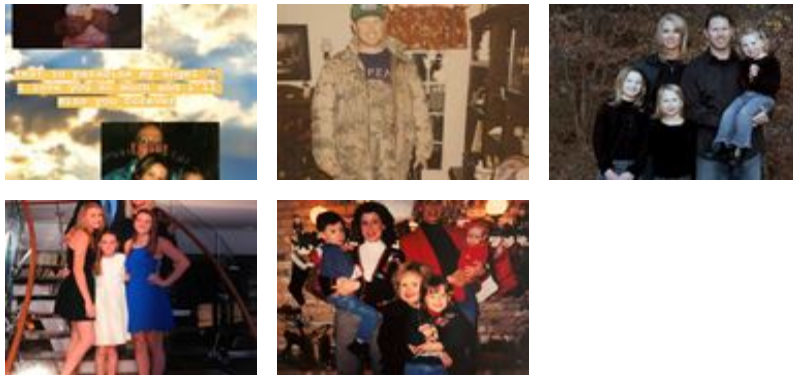
“ Jean Tate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Jean Tate - November 01, 2019 at 05:45 PM



“ 6 files added to the album LifeTributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - November 01, 2019 at 03:27 PM

Gary
Allen

“ So Sorry for your loss, "Chicken" was a wonderful mentor for me when I started my work at Eastman. He took me under his wing and tutored me. I am so grateful for the time that we had working together. He will always be in my heart. Heaven has gained a wonderful man.



Gary Allen - November 01, 2019 at 12:24 PM

LA

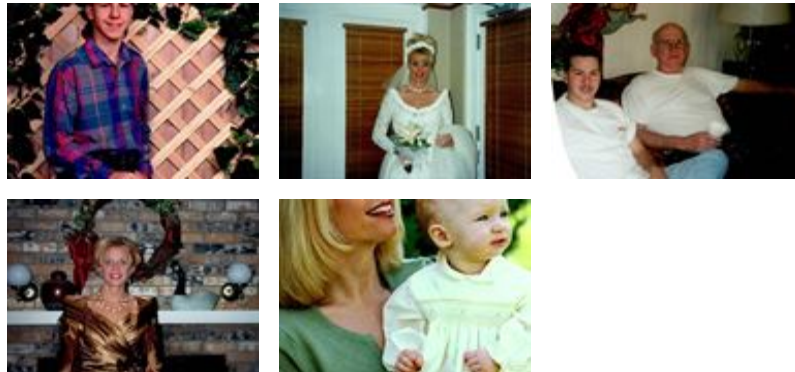
“ Larry And Michelle Akin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Larry and Michelle Akin - November 01, 2019 at 12:14 PM



“ 86 files added to the album Life Tributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - November 01, 2019 at 10:22 AM

JB

“ *Jon Best lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong*



Jon Best - November 01, 2019 at 09:36 AM

JC

“ *I am so very sorry for you loss. Charles was always so kind, happy, and welcoming any time I was at your home. I am praying for your peace and understanding. I love you guys.*



Jeri Coke - October 31, 2019 at 09:58 PM

PS

“ *Nancy, you are in our prayers as you go through the next several months. Fond memories of you & mr. Charles. May God grant you strength & courage. Love . Bob & Peggy Silvey*



peggy silvey - October 31, 2019 at 08:13 PM

SD

“ *Nancy, what a beautiful obituary for Charles and the wonderful Christian life he lived. He loved you dearly and you were the sunshine in his final days. He loved all the family so much! I can still see his sweet smile. My deepest sympathy , prayers, and love to you and all the family!*

Shirley Deteau

Shirley Deteau - October 31, 2019 at 07:21 PM

LB

“ So sorry Nancy, that Bill and I will not be there to be with you Friday or Saturday. But know that we will be thinking about you. The obituary you wrote for Charles was wonderful and I know he would be pleased with everything you said. Don't plan on going to the "cabin" too soon. He will be taken care of very well until you decide to take leave of this earth. Love you and will try to talk to you soon.

Linda Bechtol - October 31, 2019 at 06:21 PM

SH

“ Shelley Hawkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong

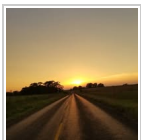


shelley Hawkins - October 31, 2019 at 04:13 PM



“ I seldom thought of him as an uncle but much more as a friend. He was a good man - and he will be missed...Nancy, Stephen, and family - may God give you comfort in knowing he is home now with his Heavenly Father - and all siblings and parents celebrating his arrival...

Ben Weatherby - October 31, 2019 at 03:56 PM



“ Jason Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Jason Davis - October 31, 2019 at 03:38 PM

SF

“ Stephen and family, I am so sorry for your loss. We will be praying for y'all ❤️
Shelly Furchert
Glantz Sign Supplies

shelly furchert - October 31, 2019 at 02:24 PM

KK

“ Krissy Kelsey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Krissy Kelsey - October 31, 2019 at 12:55 PM

RB

“ Randy Bridged lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Randy Bridged - October 31, 2019 at 12:44 PM

GN

“ Though our words can do little, we hope our thoughts and prayers will support you all at this time Wishing you peace and comfort now and in the days ahead. Love, Paul and Glenda Nelson and Virginia and Terry Strong.



Glenda Nelson - October 31, 2019 at 12:43 PM

JH

“ Jack And Barbara Hammett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Jack and Barbara Hammett - October 31, 2019 at 10:31 AM

RC

“ Rachel Moseley Lite A Candle For Mr. Cha lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Rachel Moseley lite a candle for Mr. Cha - October 31, 2019 at 10:00 AM

MD

“ Charles and Nancy were more than gracious to me and my family when we were in a time of need. Charles would go out of his way to say hello and went out of his way to make me feel comfortable. I am fortunate to have known him for the time I did, and I will surely miss seeing him on the tractor as I go up and down the highway.



Mark and Lin Dickerson

Mark and Lin Dickerson - October 31, 2019 at 09:03 AM

JS

“ You all are in our thoughts and prayers and have our deepest condolences.



Jesse and Genna Stewart - October 31, 2019 at 07:32 AM

DC

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your loved one. May God comfort you at this time



Said & Kathy Chapman

David & Kathy Chapmn - October 31, 2019 at 01:35 AM

JH

“ Jack And Barbara Hammett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Jack and Barbara Hammett - October 30, 2019 at 07:11 PM

BG

“ Belton Shirley Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Belton shirley Green - October 30, 2019 at 04:34 PM

CN

“ Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Clay Newcomb & Frances Newcomb - October 30, 2019 at 04:12 PM

LS

“ Stephen so sorry prayers for you and your family

Linda Simmons - October 30, 2019 at 04:04 PM

LS

“ Linda & Ray Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Linda & Ray Simmons - October 30, 2019 at 04:01 PM

SH

“ Sonny And Jenny Hardy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Sonny and Jenny Hardy - October 30, 2019 at 02:25 PM

SM

“ Shannon & Jason McKey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Shannon & Jason McKey - October 30, 2019 at 01:12 PM

JP

“ Steve I'm sorry about your dad

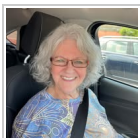
Jason Parker - October 30, 2019 at 12:36 PM

BH

“ Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



Bob & Sue Henderson - October 30, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ My deepest condolences go out to the Strong family, there are too many of you to name. Charles was an icon in the Church Hill community for many years and will be missed by them all.

Stephanie Osteen - October 30, 2019 at 10:54 AM

ED

“ *Elaine Franklin Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong*



elaine franklin davis - October 30, 2019 at 10:23 AM

DM

“ *Me Strong was a sweet man. I loved visiting with him while we shelled peas*

debbie miley - October 30, 2019 at 09:39 AM

AR

“ *Alfred And Tami (Sledge) Ritter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong*



Alfred and Tami (Sledge) Ritter - October 30, 2019 at 09:29 AM

KA

“ *KayTrammell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong*



KayTrammell - October 30, 2019 at 09:01 AM

PP

“ Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



pud patterson - October 30, 2019 at 08:29 AM

MG

“ So very sorry for your loss. Precious man and much loved family. Prayers and thoughts are with you!❤️Mark and Nancy

Mark and Nancy Gibson - October 29, 2019 at 11:49 PM

SA

“ Another Good Man has passed from us. Mr. Strong could be found on his Farmall Cub Tractor working in the Garden to share Vegetables with the Community or serving God at Church Hill Methodist Church. Always with a positive outlook and something kind to say about his fellow man. I shall miss this man! God's Healing and comfort to his Family during this sad time of loss.



*Sam Adams
Tatum, Texas*

Sam Adams - October 29, 2019 at 11:34 PM

JT

“ John Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles W. Strong



john taylor - October 29, 2019 at 10:52 PM

TW

I am so sorry for your families loss. He will always be Uncle Charles to me. My memories are of riding in his truck along the country roads while listening to old country music on the radio and him singing along... of hound dogs, shotguns, fishing poles, snipe hunting, and the shine in his eyes when he laughed. A man with the perfect name to describe exactly what he was - Strong! I loved him and I thought of him often throughout the years. His children were so blessed to have him as a father. And I was blessed to have him as my uncle during that chapter in my life. Much love and many God's blessing to the family. He enjoyed all the simple pleasures of life and lived well. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God heal your broken hearts. Much love!

Tina Wilson

Tina Marie Wilson - October 31, 2019 at 03:31 PM