



Charles Flatt, Sr.

July 25, 1923 - January 17, 2012

Charles E. Flatt, Sr., age 88, of Rising Fawn, GA died in his home Tuesday morning January 17, 2012. In addition to being the finest husband and dearest father, he was the recipient of the Liberty Bell Award. He served his country during WWII on the European front and was awarded a Purple Heart. He loved the Lord and the Word of God. There was nothing he enjoyed more than teaching the Bible. He was devoted to his wife, his children and many others. He mentored countless young men and loved to share his home in Rising Fawn with all who needed a place to rest. For 20 years, Charlie and Ginny hosted Ed Fest, a Christian music festival, where thousands enjoyed an afternoon of good, wholesome fun. He loved First Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, TN, where he served as an elder and teacher for many years. More recently, he worshiped at Rising Fawn Baptist where he was warmly welcomed and embraced. At various times he served on the boards of Walker Technical Institute, Bachman Home, Bethel Bible School, Signal Mountain Country Day School, Hutcheson Medical Center and Changed Lives. He graduated from UT Knoxville and worked for many years with General Electric and retired from Pierson, Deakins and McGinnis. He is preceded in death by his parents, William Thomas and Virginia Catherine Morrow Flatt of Newbern, Tennessee. He is survived by his adoring wife of 65 years, Virginia, his five children, Sharon (William) Bell of Dalton, GA, Diane (Jack) Parker of Trussville, AL, David Flatt, Charles (Louannah) Flatt, Jr, and Paul (Erin) Flatt all of Rising Fawn, GA, 12 grandchildren and 7

great-grandchildren, also several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held 12:30 PM Friday at the First Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, TN. Interment will follow in the Chattanooga National Cemetery. Family will receive friends Thursday from 5 PM until 8 PM at Ryan Funeral Home, Trenton, GA. Mr. Flatt, Sr. will lay in state one hour prior to service time on Friday at the First Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, TN.

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Flatt, Sr.*

October 09, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Paul and Charlie, I just found out of the passing of your dad, and wanted to send my regards, I have always been grateful for your dads hospitality and compassion for humanity and the care he showed my family throughout the many years of my grandfathers life. I know time just goes so fast, and we do not take time to smell the roses, our prayers will be with you guys and your precious mom. I miss you all and wish you all the best.*
Mike and Tracy Reed

Mike & Tracy Reed - February 11, 2012 at 08:00 PM



“ *My you find peace in knowing that he has joined his family in heaven. He was a wonderful man! Virginia you are in my thoughts and prayers. He lived a beautiful life with many who loved him. Charlie and Virginia had welcomed me when I first came to the Chattanooga area... I will never forget. Such a special family! Thoughts and prayers go out to each one. Jane Wallace*

Jane Wallace - January 22, 2012 at 11:04 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Jim and I enjoyed visiting Mr. and Mrs Flatt during the time we attended a Dirt Crew camp there. It was a very interesting and enjoyable time! They treated us as if we were family, always presenting the LOVE of GOD!!!*

Jim & Liz Brantley - January 21, 2012 at 05:41 PM

BD

“ We have lost a great friend to the DIRT Crew. Mr. Charlie Flatt allowed us to use his property every summer to host our DIRT Camps. He had such a love for life and he loved people. He was a story teller and even if your heard the stories before, somehow he always made them seem fresh. He is a wonderful, Godly man that we will all miss greatly.?? We are praying for you family as you grieve his loss. The blessing we have is that we will see Bro. Charlie again one day in Heaven. I imagine he will be on a tractor. Praise God!

Barry Dollar - January 21, 2012 at 09:50 AM

JD

“ Dear Gini, Al and I were so sad at Mr. Charlie's passing, but my first thought was of his joyful entry into heaven! He was one of the most cheerful and wonderful Christian men that we have even known. You both have always been such a shining example of a loving and supporting couple to all who have known you. Our hearts are broken for your loss...at the same time rejoicing in the knowledge that Charlie is in the presence of our heavenly Father. Love and comfort to you, Joye and Al

Joye Duke - January 20, 2012 at 09:24 AM

DW

“ Diane,
Your dad was such a wonderful man; so gentle and kind. He knew so many people, and yet when he was with you, he always had a way of making you feel important. One of our favorite, earliest pictures together is Jennifer and me at your dad's place in front of the cabin after a day of fishing. That picture brings back great memories. Your dad was so generous with everything that God gave him. We will miss him.

David & Jennifer Welsh - January 19, 2012 at 03:34 PM

CM

“ my condolences goes out to the wonderful flatt family. their generous, loving, caring and christian living is a beautiful reflection on their lives and how they treated people and how they were loved. my heart and prayers are with them during their loss

cheryl moore - January 19, 2012 at 10:53 AM

HM

“ The lights are dimmed in Rising Fawn, his positive attitude set him aside from the crowd. My condolence to the Flatt family.

Helen McKeown - January 19, 2012 at 12:12 AM

DH

“ Our deepest sympathies goes out to the entire Flat family. Great Men are Greatly Missed by ALL. Dale & Teresa Hughey

Dale Hughey - January 18, 2012 at 07:11 PM

FN

“ Haven't see all of you in a very long time, but I'll always remember Charlie's smiling face and how welcome he made me and my family feel when visiting the farm. Love & prayers from Frannie, Eric & Sammy

Frannie Narramore - January 18, 2012 at 12:44 PM

KS

“ Our family is so saddened to hear that Uncle Charlie is no longer with us. We rejoice knowing he is now healed and with the Heavenly Father. Our hearts go out to the families. We will always cherish our fond memories of him on the farm, especially during Edfest.

Kristie Stith - January 18, 2012 at 12:14 PM

MF

“ My family and i are sorry for the lose of Mr. Charles Flatt sr. He was a great man and well respected person. We are all better people for having the great pleasure of meeting and getting to know Mr. Flatt. REST IN PEACE my friend you will always be loved

Mike Angle & Family - January 18, 2012 at 12:09 PM

CB

“ Charles Flatt, Sr.

Christy Brown-Burr - January 18, 2012 at 11:58 AM

MG

“ Charlie,
Your mom and family are in my prayers. I don't think I have seen you since we were kids, but I remember your dad was always so sweet, your mom too! Again, you are all in my thoughts and prayers.
Martha Bennett Gregory

Martha Bennett Gregory - January 18, 2012 at 10:47 AM

GH

“ Sharon, I am very sorry for your loss, but very thankful his suffering is over. My thoughts and prayers are with you and especially with your mother.

Gail Hannah - January 17, 2012 at 08:33 PM