



Charles Raymond Stephenson

September 20, 1943 - October 10, 2024

Charles Raymond Stephenson, 81, of Danville, VA passed away on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at Cardinal Senior Living after being in declining health for the past six months.

Mr. Stephenson was born on September 20, 1943 in Wake County, NC, a son of the late Ralph and Pauline Stephenson. He was a graduate of Cleveland School in Clayton, NC and then went on to graduate college from East Carolina University. After graduating, Mr. Stephenson spent 35 years as a science teacher at George Washington High School before retiring.

Mr. Stephenson cherished his time at Cleveland School, had a passion for tennis, and truly loved teaching, where he found immense joy in inspiring his students and sharing his love for science with them.

He was married to Janet Lee Stephenson who died on November, 4, 2005.

Survivors include his daughter, Deana S. Jones; son, Charles Gregory Stephenson; grandchildren, Patrick Todd Jones and Rebecca Lee Jones. He also leaves behind his brothers, Glen Stephenson (Elaine) and Ronnie Stephenson (Becky).

A private graveside service will be held at Danville Memorial Gardens.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Stephenson family.

Cemetery Details

Danville Memorial Gardens

510 Church Avenue
Danville, VA

Tribute Wall

KH

“ *RIP My Friend !!*

Keith W HILTWINE - October 22, 2024 at 01:52 PM

DS

“ *Praying for God's comfort and blessings upon Deana and Greg, cherish the memories! Same for Ronnie and Glen and all extended family members. The Stephenson family legacy is special in Charles' childhood home area at McGee's Crossroads, NC. from: Don & Teresa Smith*

Don and Teresa Smith - October 17, 2024 at 05:17 PM

LB

“ *I was a very shy person in HS but he always spoke to me and I truly enjoyed his class! I had a great time and was always willing and able to dissect the frog, worm and anything else he could find. I went on to work in health care and having the extra science classes I took helped me! He certainly had the patience to help all of his students and was a great friend! Sending prayers for the family. 🙏🙏❤️*

Lori Barbour - October 17, 2024 at 05:24 AM

PH

“ *Best science teacher ever! Class of 1969 GWHS*

Phyllis Hankins - October 16, 2024 at 12:45 PM

RH

“ One of the finest adult examples growing up. He set the standard as a teacher and was respected by all. Heaven's gain and our earthly loss. I will miss you Coach.

Rodney Haynes - October 15, 2024 at 07:23 PM

PT

“ Dear Deanna and Greg,

I was truly saddened to learn of the loss of your Dad. I had the privilege and pleasure to have known Charlie since our days of working at GWHS. He was truly an excellent teacher as evidenced by the comments from some of his students and they described him well. Furthermore, he was a great friend to me and I very much treasured that. He will always be remembered fondly and with a smile. May God's blessings be upon you all.

Paul Thompson

Paul Thompson - October 15, 2024 at 09:56 AM

KS

“ He was my science teacher at GWHS. He was just a great teacher. Later after graduating college I substituted for his class when he was off. He was such a nice man. Prayers for family. Karen Webb Stadler

Karen Webb Stadler - October 14, 2024 at 08:47 PM

DF

“ *Mr. Stephenson was every student's favorite teacher. The sciences were never my strong suit, but I got A's in his Chemistry class. He was a great teacher as well as a great person. Our condolences to all of the family.*

Dale & Janet Ferrell - October 14, 2024 at 08:25 PM

CL

“ *Knew Charlie for over 50 years. A good friend and a good man. Condolences to the family. Carl Lewis*

Carl Lewis - October 14, 2024 at 02:48 PM

KW

“ *I remember being his student. He encouraged me to focus on Biology. I majored Biology in college. I taught Biology in Middle & High school. He will be missed. Prayers for all!*

Kelly Winstead - October 14, 2024 at 11:02 AM

PE

“ *So sorry to hear about Mr Stephenson's passing. He was my science teacher at GWHS. He loved science and was a great teacher. Never forgot him as one of my favorite teachers. Class of 1968.*

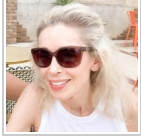
Peggy East - October 14, 2024 at 12:20 AM

TR

“ We just heard about Charlie and we are so saddened about his passing. Charlie as we called him was our next door neighbor, a very special neighbor and friend for many years. When our son was a little boy Charlie would come over to see him and they would walk to Burger King and he would buy him chicken nuggets a time they enjoyed together. Anytime we were out in the backyard with our son Charlie would come over to play with him and he would always invite our son over to let him play in his shed which our son enjoyed very much. During Halloween he would invite our son over to see his costume, take pictures and give him candy. When our son moved away to Charlotte to attend UNC Charlie would always ask how he was doing with his studies. When our son would come home to visit Charlie was there to see and talk with him. We last saw Charlie a year ago and he still asked about our son, we shared recent pictures of our son and many stories about his grandkids that he truly adored, Charlie really loved his family. We had some laughs together while visiting and it was really great to see him. Charlie was an avid gardener he could grow anything, he also had the most beautiful flowers and the most immaculate lawn on our street. Charlie was the best neighbor anyone could have because he was always looking out for you, he took care of many neighbors on our street, mowing their lawns and fixing things many of us couldn't fix. Charlie was a true gem and there are many memories we have being his neighbor, too many to mention here. Charlie we will miss you! Praying for his family and may God comfort them in their loss.
Terry & Patsy Ragsdale



Terry & Patsy Ragsdale - October 12, 2024 at 07:01 PM



“ *Mr. Stephenson was my science teacher, freshman year at GWHS. He was the first teacher to interest me in science and taught me to use a slide rule. I have never forgotten him.*

Phyllis Acker - October 12, 2024 at 01:19 PM

JR

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the entire Stephenson family. Charlie was the best teacher I ever had and I considered him as one of the best of my old friends. He was very knowledgeable, a great athlete and fun to talk with over the many years (1971-~6 weeks ago). I shall certainly miss Charlie.*

Vic

J.V. Reece - October 12, 2024 at 12:03 PM

JD

“ *Joe Doss lit a candle in memory of Charles Raymond Stephenson*



Joe Doss - October 11, 2024 at 11:55 PM