



Charles Lee "Chuck" Shipp

August 13, 1944 - May 22, 2021

Charles Lee "Chuck" Shipp, 76, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, passed away Saturday, May 22, 2021 at Bellaire at Stone Port in Rockingham, Virginia. A Celebration of Life will be held Thursday, May 27 at 2:00 p.m. at Antioch Church of the Brethren. Pastors George Bowers and Dale Bennett will officiate. Burial will be private in Sunset View Memorial Gardens in Woodstock.

Mr. Shipp was born August 13, 1944 in Greene County Virginia, son of the late George and Mary Lee (Jarrell) Shipp. He was raised by his aunt and uncle, Terrie and Lillie Taylor. He received his Bachelor's degree from Bridgewater College and a Masters of Education from the University of Virginia. He spent 33 years as an educator, retiring from the Fairfax County School System. He was a strong supporter of the Brethren Church and a member of Antioch Church of the Brethren. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary and Shirley, and a brother, George.

He is survived by his wife, Mary K (Cook) Shipp of Harrisonburg; two sons, Joseph and Byron Clark and families; a sister, Dorothy (Everett) Staples and family and close nephew, Michael Shipp and family.

Chuck was a lifelong musician and a master of the piano. He performed across the Shenandoah region, and brought joy to all who heard him play. Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home Inc., Valley Funeral Service

Branch, Edinburg.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Church
23502 Senedo Road
Woodstock, VA 22664

Tribute Wall



“ Charles Lee "Chuck" Shipp

January 30, 2023 at 03:03 AM



“ Charles Lee "Chuck" Shipp

January 30, 2023 at 12:44 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Chuck's passing. Kathy we all spent a lot of time together and I love you all every much! Alma. 8/28/21

Cris Carter - August 28, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ Kathy, I am so sorry to hear about Chuck's passing. He was a wonderfully kind and gentle man. I fondly remember our years teaching together. May our Lord give you peace and surround you and your family with love.

Denise Brown - July 15, 2021 at 11:41 PM



“ Kathy, I am so sorry about the loss of dear Chuck. He was one of my favorite people. We both loved the piano and music. My prayers are with you and your family. God bless you.

Elizabeth Bea Smoot - May 29, 2021 at 08:08 PM

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“ I had the privilege of tuning Chuck's beautiful Yamaha baby grand piano. He was always a pleasure to work for - obviously knowledgeable about his music and his faith, yet consistently friendly and down to earth. The heavenly choir now has a cheerful and talented accompanist to help sing God's praise!

Condolences to his family, and what I'm sure is a wide circle of friends.

Sincerely,
Eric Olson

Eric Olson - May 27, 2021 at 05:56 PM

RC

“ We send our sympathies to the Shipp family. It was always a pleasure to listen when Charles played and shared the amazing talent God gave him,

Robert & Gina Cypher - May 27, 2021 at 09:20 AM

RL

“ Chuck served as my mentor when I was completing a Senior Project in High School on the Heifer Project. I appreciated his insight into this special ministry that has changed so many people's lives. His faith and service to others have always been an inspiration to me.

Rev. Jonathan Lamb - May 25, 2021 at 11:35 AM



“ *Mr. Shipp was my 5th grade teacher in 1966 (same class as Denise Sauder who also shared on this page). I was very introverted until I found that through music, I could express myself without being self-conscious. In the singing group that we toured with, I found that I was able to come out of my shell and really enjoy being around other people who shared the same interest. Mr. Shipp was very unorthodox in his teaching methods, and I know the other teachers at Park School didn't always appreciate when he turned our classroom into a gymnasium so we could play basketball (the three-room school had no gym). That year I felt I was given free-reign with plenty of free-time to learn things that interested me, not just what was on the standards. There was lots of reading going on in that classroom. Thank you Mr. Shipp for that year of stretching myself, and my condolences to his family!*

Jim Lehman

Jim Lehman - May 25, 2021 at 11:13 AM

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“ *Mr. Shippe was my 5th grade teacher in 1966, I believe it was his first year of teaching. There were so many memories made that year, it may have been my most memorable year of school. He was an unforgettable teacher who allowed us to experience school and life in an unconventional way. Thank you Mr. Shippe for sharing that year of life with us. I was so happy to visit with you right before COVID shutdown, was hoping to do it again.*

Denise Sauder - May 25, 2021 at 09:50 AM

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“ *Our sincere sympathy to Chuck's family. Enjoyed hearing him play the piano. Cecil and Barbara Holler*

Cecil & Barbara Holler - May 24, 2021 at 11:43 AM