



## Mr. Charles W. Burton, Sr.

February 1, 1929 - May 24, 2010

Mr. Charles William Burton was born on February 1, 1929 to Anna Mitchell and John Louis Burton in Marrian, IN. Charles, who is of Native American decent, moved to Galesburg, MI with his parents and seven siblings. This is where he spent his formative years and developed his love of hunting, fishing and building which would later become his passion and life's work. As a young man, Charles fought for his country in World War II in the United States Navy. Upon returning from the War, he met and married his soul mate, Marjorie Goins. He and his wife of 41 years moved to Kalamazoo, MI, where during this time they lovingly raised two children: Charles and Heather. He was the proprietor of Burton's Builders and MC Builder's. A consummate "Man's Man", Charles was known for his quick wit and fiesty charm. He never met a stranger and his giving heart allowed him to mentor and volunteer in his community. Charles, affectionately known as "Papa", could always be found holding court by telling one of his stories, but he was the happiest when surrounded by his family and was also there to provide unconditional love. Charles was preceded in death by his wife, Marjorie; parents, Anna and John; two brothers, John and Giles Burton; one sister, Louise Burton. He leaves to mourn: Wanda Burton and Sara Pharr; two brothers, Richard and Allison Burton; two children, Charles and Heather (Sherman); four grandchildren, Seth Troxler; Naomi Burton, Charles and Nathaniel Burton, and Hunter Tischler; one great-grandchild, Miley Fernandez; and a host of family and friends.\*\*\*\*\*The Burton Family thanks everyone for all of your prayers, condolences and heartfelt gifts. Please continue to hold us in prayer as we will continue for you\*\*\*\*\*

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Charles W. Burton, Sr.



Harper Funeral Home - May 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. Charles W. Burton, Sr.

October 23, 2023 at 06:06 AM



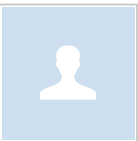
“ Mr. Charles W. Burton, Sr.

October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ We are sorry for your lost. You are in ours prayer.##imported-begin##The DeMoor##imported-end##

June 03, 2010 at 08:09 AM



“ May you find strength in God and comfort from family and friends during this time of loss of your beloved Charles. I know you will miss his tales and booming laughter. I am sorry for your loss and although I will not be with you in person I will keep you in my prayers and remember you, Heather, Charles and Seth and the rest of your family in my heart...God's strength will get you through...Ed Cain##imported-begin##Edward Cain##imported-end##

June 02, 2010 at 08:31 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the entire Burton Family in the Home Going Of Your Father. I will continue to pray that God keep you in peace and comfort during this time of loss.

Ken Granville##imported-begin##C. Ken Granville##imported-end##

June 01, 2010 at 07:49 PM



“ Our condolences go out to the family.##imported-begin##Cordell & Brenda Gardner##imported-end##

June 01, 2010 at 03:31 PM



“ We're so sorry for your lost, and pray that you'll find comfort from Gods word Jo 5:28, 29 and strength thru the love of family & friends!##imported-begin##Wendell & Gloria Ivy##imported-end##

June 01, 2010 at 03:05 PM



“ I am truly sorry for your lost, may God hold your family close and know that your loved one is at peace in a heavenly home. Richard, I am praying for your family.##imported-begin##Ramona Seaberry Lumpkin##imported-end##

June 01, 2010 at 02:52 PM



“ Our prayers are with you,Remember God our Father knows best and always with you no matter where we are.

Elnora& Robert Simpson##imported-begin##ELNORA & rOBERT SIMPSON##imported-end##

June 01, 2010 at 02:48 PM



“ Charles and Heather, I was sorry to hear of your Father's passing. I have good memories of him and the days at St. Mary's School. Know that you and your families are in my prayers and thoughts. Mrs. Jackson##imported-begin##Zadie Jackson##imported-end##

May 31, 2010 at 10:23 AM



“ We are praying for you in your time of need.##imported-begin##kendra  
averett##imported-end##

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May 28, 2010 at 07:52 AM



“ I'm sorry I wont be able to attend the services. Hope your family is comforted by  
the knowledge that he's been reunited with your mom now and is in a better  
place.

*Please let me know if there's anything I can do. Love, Chad##imported-  
begin##Chad Kroupensky##imported-end##*

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May 25, 2010 at 04:53 PM