



Charles Ray McLaren

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Charles Ray "Hammer" McLaren, 66, of Longview, Texas went to be with his Lord and Savior on February 8, 2021. Charles was born in Natchitoches, Louisiana on July 21, 1954. Funeral Service will be officiated by Bro. Olan McLaren on February 11th at 10am at Rader Funeral Home in Longview, Texas. Burial will follow at Ore City Cemetery, Ore City, Texas.

Charles grew up in Coushatta, Louisiana. He graduated from Fairview Alpha where he attended 1st thru 12th grade and participated in basketball and football.

In 1975, Charles moved to Texas where he met Margaret Sue. They married 2 weeks later.

In 1983, Charles began his lifetime career with North American Coal at Sabine Mining Company in Hallsville, Texas. He spent over 30 years in various roles including supervisor, equipment operator for the EZ Miner and Drag Line and trainer for new equipment. Early in his career he was given the nickname of "Hammer". Today, Hammer is known as a legend at Sabine Mining.

Charles was a wonderful provider for his family and was always there to help family and friends with anything they needed. He was an avid music lover and enjoyed reading western novels, but his favorite pastime was spending as much time as he could with his grandsons who were the light of his life. Charles had a quick wit, an infectious smile and a kind and compassionate spirit.

Charles was preceded in death by his father Charles Albert McLaren and mother Jeannette Layfield Watson. Charles is survived by his wife Margaret Sue McLaren, and children Rebecca & Jerry Tutt of Dallas, Ray & Sheila McLaren of Longview, Daphne & Chris Kessler of Longview, Albert McLaren & Lauren Whipkey of Kilgore, grandchildren Colten and Breann King, Sydney Hawley, Serra Rolow, Jaxen McLaren, Shyla Rolow, Westen McLaren, Serena Rolow, Hunter Whipkey, great-grandchildren Blakelee King and Colson Hawley, and siblings Randy & Sheila McLaren and Jacqueline & Perry May. Charles is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.



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Pallbearers will be Ray McLaren, Albert McLaren, George Horsley, Gary Laney, Jason Vickery, Leon Brown, David Kinsel and DJ Geller. Honorary Pallbearer Jerry Tutt.

What a legacy. What a life. Hammer is gone too soon, but he will never be forgotten.

“Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.” John 14: 1-3



Events

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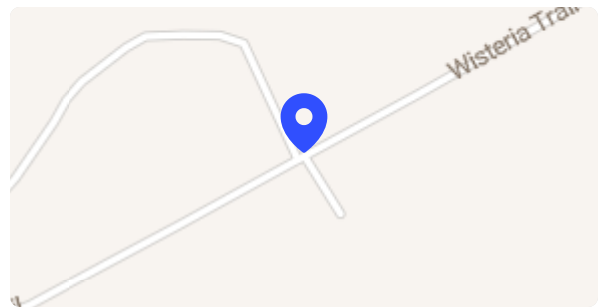
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Cemetery Details



Ore City Cemetery

Wisteria St., Ore City TX





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Rader Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.



February 11 at 5:49 AM



Betty Thorpe lit a candle in honor of Charles.

i see Mr Mike all the time at walmart 3828 n he always bring his 2 grandson n he always buy toys all the time i i pick on him all the time rest in peace Mr Mike



February 11 at 4:26 PM

BT Betty Thorpe February 11 at 4:35 PM

sorry i said mr mike its mt charlie i meant sorry about i was crying sorry



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the McLaren family.



February 10 at 11:33 AM



Daryl & Shelli Thompson lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Loved our time we got to spend with all of the family at Destin, Florida. What great memories we can all hold and cherish. Love all of yall so much Daryl, Shelli, Brittany, Lyndi, and Torii



February 10 at 11:03 AM



Ambulatory Nursing Operations sent a Beautiful in Blue to the McLaren family.



February 10 at 10:59 AM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 10:50 AM



Mike & Dianne Miller sent a Medium Dish Garden to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 7:43 AM



Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 7:42 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 6:32 AM



Mollie Bade posted:

Mr. McLaren was one of my favorite customers at Community Bank! I will never forget his smile and laugh! Prayers to his family and his sweet grandsons whom I know he loved so dearly!!!

February 10 at 5:47 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 4:37 AM





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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 4:16 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the McLaren family.

February 10 at 2:56 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the McLaren family.

February 9 at 6:24 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the McLaren family.

February 9 at 5:13 PM





Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Charles by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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