



Charles Dirienzo

April 2, 1929 - January 28, 2021

Surfside Beach....

Charles "Charlie" Dirienzo, age 91, after a brief illness, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 28, 2021.

He was born on April 2, 1929 in Shelton, Connecticut. He was the son of Anthony and Genevieve Pascuzzo Dirienzo.

Charlie was proud to have served in both the United States Air Force and the United States Coast Guard. A staunch patriot, he spent his entire career in public service, going on to work for the Connecticut State Police and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms after he served in the military. Upon his retirement from public service, "Mr. D" taught Criminal Justice at Horry-Georgetown Technical College. Charlie was an avid lifelong NY Yankees fan.

He was active with the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion. Charlie also enjoyed acting in local theatre productions. He was known for his kindness and generosity and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Charlie was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 67 years, Marianna Dirizeno; his loving son, James Dirienzo; and his brothers, John Dirienzo and Anthony Dirienzo.

Survivors include a son, Charles Jr. and his wife, Melody of Fredericksburg, VA; a daughter, Anna Henry and her husband John of Murrells Inlet; a granddaughter, Laura Henry of Baldwinsville, NY; a grandson, Joseph Henry and his wife Ashley of Greenville, SC; a grandson, James Dirienzo and granddaughter, Kaitlin Dirienzo, both of Round Rock, TX; his brother, Angelo "Dee" Dirienzo of Shelton, CT; and several dear nephews and nieces.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Michael Catholic Church.

A Mass of the Resurrection will be held, 10:00 AM Friday, February 12, 2021 at St. Michael Catholic Church, 542 Cypress Avenue, Murrells Inlet, SC.

Inurnment will be held at a later date in St. Rose of Lima Cemetery in Newtown, Connecticut.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is serving the family.

Tribute Wall

WU

“ Thanks for your service Airman and Coast Guardsman !!!
Wayne Williams
United States Marine Corps



Wayne Williams - USMC - February 12, 2021 at 06:35 PM

CS

“ My deepest sympathy to the Dirienzo family. I worked with Charlie for years at ATF, New Haven, CT. He was hard working agent and a patriot🇺🇸. We had some fun times. He will be missed.

claire Sutton - February 09, 2021 at 10:33 PM

DS

“ I interviewed Charlie many times on TV over the years as he was preparing for a theatrical production.
He loved this community and his many friends.
Prayers for all of Charlie's family.

Diane DeVaughn Stokes - February 05, 2021 at 01:29 PM

DM

“ To the Dirienzo family, please accept my condolences. I first met Charlie when he was serving as the Department Chair for the Criminal Justice program at HGTC and I was a newly hired faculty member. He had such a great rapport with both students and faculty alike. I always appreciated both his kindness and jovial spirit. I am sorry for your loss.

*Donna McQueen
Myrtle Beach, SC*

Donna McQueen - February 05, 2021 at 10:39 AM

BC

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Dirienzo Family. I had the privilege to teach with Charlie at Horry-Georgetown Technical College for many years and always enjoyed his many stories and his joyful attitude. In addition, we spent many a Sunday morning with both Charlie and Marianna at St. Cyprian's Catholic Church in Georgetown where they both were very involved. He was an outstanding gentleman ... "even for a Yankees fan." I know that he and Marianna are walking hand in hand reunited.

*Brian & Mary Jo Clark
Georgetown, SC*

Brian Clark - February 03, 2021 at 01:07 PM

CS

“ Charles was a wonderful person. I met him while he was teaching at HGTC and I was working for the Horry County Police Department. He was always very supportive of local law enforcement. He and Maryanne attended our annual Christmas party every year for the Fraternal Order of Police. He was a special person and will be missed.

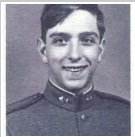
Capt Charlotte Stephens, Ret. HCPD

Charlotte Stephens - February 01, 2021 at 08:58 AM

JP

I can't believe Charlie has passed. He and Mariana were such a loving couple. I will miss them both dearly. I used to kitty sit Agatha for them. Eternal peace for you both, Jackie and Charles Patton.

Jackie Patton - February 01, 2021 at 10:58 AM



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Charles Dirienzo Jr - February 01, 2021 at 08:51 AM