



Charles H. Booraem

May 4, 1941 - December 27, 2023

Charles H. (Charlie) Booraem, age 82, husband of Betty (Haage) Booraem, of Royersford, PA, formerly of Phoenixville, PA, passed away on Wednesday, December 27, 2023 in the Pottstown Hospital. Born on May 4, 1941 in Teaneck, NJ, he was the son of the late Elmer and Hermine (Tonjes) Booraem.

Charlie was a 1959 graduate of Teaneck High School. He went on to complete his undergraduate studies in electrical engineering at Lafayette College and received his master's degree in education from Lehigh University. After teaching physics for three years at Phoenixville High School, Charlie went on to a 30 year career as an electrical engineer at United Engineers & Constructors (now part of Raytheon) until retiring in 2000.

Charlie was an accomplished musician, playing the tuba in the Lukens Band (often clad in his German band lederhosen) and the Audubon Orchestra. He was a model train enthusiast, and he enjoyed completing jigsaw puzzles. While his children were younger, he served as a scout leader and an umpire for KYAL.

Charlie and Betty enjoyed "traveling eventfully" and camping in their various RVs over the decades, often with their kids and grandkids in tow. Through the hundreds of thousands of miles traveling across the country, just about every

trip encountered one mishap or another - often resolved with duct tape. Whatever the outcome, they always came home with a great story!

In addition to his wife of 59 years, Mr. Booraem is survived by five children, Glenn (Pam) Booraem, Edgar Gottshall, Scott (Jan) Booraem, Sumiko Booraem, and Heather (Jason) Harmon; eleven grandchildren, Jonathan and Caroline Booraem, Amanda, Piper, and Ryan Gottshall, Cindy (Matt) Felker, Alexia, and Julian Booraem, Shawna Baker (Lance Wycoff), Shannon (Justin) Grob, and Ian Harmon; six great-grandchildren, Ember Gottshall, Bentley Wycoff, Lincoln and Libby Grob, and Matthew and MacKenzie Felker; a sister, Joan (Chuck) Theal; two nephews, Christopher and Scott Theal; and two godsons, Richard and Andrew Bolinger.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral service at St. Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ, 1193 Clover Mill Road, Chester Springs, PA on Thursday, January 4, 2024 at 11:00 AM. Officiating will be Rev. Douglas Hanson. Burial will be held privately at a later date. Friends will be received from 9:30 AM-11:00 AM in the Church on Thursday morning. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Audubon Symphony Orchestra, c/o Stephen Hirsch, 55 Clivedon Lane, Phoenixville, PA 19460. Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA. Condolences may be offered online at www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ
1193 Clover Mill Road
Chester Springs, PA 19425

Funeral Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Chester Springs, PA 19425

Tribute Wall



“ *Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles H. Booraem*



Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - January 03, 2024 at 11:22 AM

JM

I really liked Charlie, he was a hoot to talk to. Damn good tuba player too! I'll miss him... Joe Tuba

joseph marchozzi - May 31, 2024 at 01:05 PM

VP

“ *Vanguard's IS Research and Policy purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles H. Booraem.*



Vanguard's IS Research and Policy - January 02, 2024 at 03:30 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles H. Booraem.*



December 31, 2023 at 11:33 AM

KH

“ Charlie was a great tuba player, dad, grandpa and great grandpa. He made me laugh with his many stories. He used to always comment on if my cars were held together with duct tape and not to park in front of his house as it would bring down the value of his property...lol. You certainly will be missed and I know you will make wonderful music in heaven.

Kay Hoffman - December 30, 2023 at 04:16 PM

KM

“ Charley was the BEST tuba player. I absolutely loved standing next to Charley in rehearsal (and concerts) because he was always on beat. If I needed reassurance as to where I was in the music, I would just listen for the tuba! I will miss him along with all his orchestra friends. My sincerest condolences on his passing. My prayers are with you and your family.

Kim McNamara - December 30, 2023 at 02:50 PM

PK

“ Betty I'm so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.

Patty Kelly - December 29, 2023 at 10:46 PM

DS

“ So sorry to read about Charlie. I loved his "dry" sense of humor which he displayed quite often in the choir. Words fail me, Betty! My condolences to you and your family.

Doris Selwitz - December 29, 2023 at 10:58 AM