



Charles Close

November 29, 1914 - September 6, 2009

Charles D. Close, age 94, husband of the late Barbara (Walsh) Close, of Audubon, PA, died Sunday morning, September 6, 2009 in the Shannondell at Valley Forge. Mr. Close was born in Philadelphia. He received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the Drexell University. Mr. Close worked as an electrical engineer. He was an entrepreneur and was involved with many businesses / industries in the area throughout his life. He enjoyed skiing, music and science. He was an avid golfer and was a member of the Cedarbrook Country Club. Mr. Close is survived by Three Sons; Rodney (Lori) Close, Eric (Kelly) Close, Kent (Lorraine) Close, Seven Grandchildren. Mr. Close was pre-deceased by One Son; Richard Close. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral service at the Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Main Street at Fifth Avenue. Phoenixville, PA on Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 2pm. Burial will be private. Friends may call from 1-2pm Thursday afternoon at the funeral home. Memorial gifts may be made to the Montgomery Home Care and Hospice, 25 West Fornance Street, Norristown, PA 19401. Condolences may be made online at WWW.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall

TU

“ We wanted to acknowledge how Charles was a big part of the Unitarian Universalist Church of the Restoration in Mt. Airy for many years. He joined the church in 1943 and was a very active member in the 40's and 50's. We last saw him about 5 years ago when he shared quite a number of stories. We are sad to hear of his passing and we were glad to know him and have him be such a part in our community. He will be missed.

the caring committee at UUCR - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

MI

“ I had the pleasure and honor to work for Charlie at CDS Analytical, Inc for 18 years. He was a very dear person and made a big impact in my life. Charlie was the kind of person who cares about you and your family. My teenager remembers him for his kindness and caring ways. He uses to tell some of the most interesting stories about his life and over the year we created our own life stories. I would like to say most of them were great (except for the driving ones). My sympathy goes out to you and your family. He will be sadly missed.

Melinda Delp - CDS Analytical, Inc - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

LM

“ I am truly thankful I met a genuine person that I will know as a friend long into my future days and hope that his discomfort is now past. My sympathy to the family. L. Diane Miller

L. Diane Miller - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

RE

“*Sorry for the passing of Mr Close. I didn't know him very well, but he seemed like a very nice gentleman.*”

Ruth Ann Arnold - CDS employee - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

EH

“*Close Family Sorry to hear of the loss of your Father, my thoughts are with you.*”

Edna Hendrickson/CDS - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

TH

“*My sincere condolences to the Close family upon the loss of Charles. As an employee of CDS Analytical, I have had the pleasure of working for Charlie for many years. He always treated me respectfully and, in turn, he was well respected and a pleasure to work for. I thank him for his kind generosity through the years and for nurturing a family atmosphere here at CDS.*”

Terry Hohenwarter - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

AF

“*I send my sincere condolences to Charlie's sons. I, and my partners and law firm, represented Charlie from the 1950's, from the days of CDC Control Services, the glory days of Compudyne (and then the not so glorious ones), during his Kansas City days, his return to Philadelphia, his wonderful life with Barbara, and thereafter. It's easy to lose touch as the years go by, but every year there was always a Christmas card from Charlie. And we even had an occasional golf game through the years. Charlie was bright and creative, and always a straight-shooter. I will miss him, as, I am sure, will everyone who knew him. Again, my deepest sympathy to you all.*”

Albert J. Feldman - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

DH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Close family on the loss of your father. I worked for your father at CDS Analytical, He was a kind and generous person. He will be sadly missed by all.

Dianne Hammond - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

BR

“ My condolences to the entire Close family. I had the privilege to work for Charlie for the past 18 yrs at CDS Analytical, And wanted to say how sorry I am for your loss. And to let you know what a kind and generous man your father was and that he will be missed by all.

Bob Rhodes - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

DL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.
Sincerely, David Robichaud, and Earl Brousseau and Staff

D.M. ROBICHAUD ASSOCIATES LTD. - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

CI

“ He was a great person and he will be sadly missed by us all.

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JO

“ Charlie and I were close friends (60+ years) as well as competitors (1948-1950). In his later years we played golf together and also had many meals together. When Barbara passed away, Charlie dined with Rita and myself on many occasions. We always had inspiring conversations. I phoned Charlie on Friday Sept 4 to ask about his battle with dementia -- he was napping - Give Charlie a pat on the hand for me. Joe Bertram.

Joe Bertram - opelican@comcast.net - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

BB

“ I had the honor of being an Aide for Charlie and I truly enjoyed his stories, life experiences that he shared with me. I will truly miss seeing him smile & laugh ! Now, Charlie, you can have your wine, when ever you want.

Bobbie Rosa - bobbie1162@hotmail.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

BJ

“ Eric & Family... My father, Bob Hunter, was a very good friend of your father, Charlie. They had many golf adventures all over the world and US. I guess your Father's passing ends the era of Close, Dunleavy, Drury, and Hunter. I believe he was the last to pass. Eric, I believe we played a round once at Cedarbrook with our fathers many years ago. My sympathy to you and your family.

Bob Hunter, Jr. - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

JW

“ Hi Lori and Rod : Ange and I are so sorry for your loss. Your father was lucky to have such a wonderful son in you . We will take you and Lori out to dinner when Maria is back, please know our prayers are with you during these difficult days. Judy and Ange Ingrassia

Judith and Angelo Ingrassia - welshiejack96@aol.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

TF

“ Kent, Lorraine and Samantha, We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Much love, Steve, Cathy, John and MaryClaire

The Link Family - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

VV

“ RODNEY, ERIC, AND KENT, YOUR FATHER WAS ONE-OF-A-KIND AND A VERY COLORFUL CHARACTER. ALWAYS CHECKING OUT THE LADIES, ALWAYS LOOKING FOR SOME EXCUSE TO LAUGH AND ALWAYS ASKING A GOOD QUESTION. I THINK OF HIM NOW AND AGAIN AND WILL CONTINUE DOING SO. VINCE

VINCE YOST - VINCEYOST@VERIZON.NET - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

GH

“ I took care of Charley's home in Ocean Reef Club for several yrs.- What a wonderful and intelligent person - He always had some wonderful stories to tell me. What a good hearted man. I'll always remember Charley.

Gloria Haisman-Reda - haismang@aol.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

MR

“ Rod , Lori and the Close Clan , I am so very sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time , Grandpa Close lived a wonderful full life, he was blessed by his family , friends and community who loved him so. I am going to have a mass said for him at St .Stephens Church in the North End of Boston. Be well, Love and Hugs, Maria

Maria Ingrassia - rialuvsgolf@aol.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

JJ

“ My condolences to the entire Close family. Anyone who knew Charlie had to admire him! He will be missed.

jim descano - jimdescano@aol.com - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

RC

“ *Kent, We are sorry to hear about the loss of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.* ”

Ron Swartz and Moon Chung - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM