



Charles "Charlie" Baird

March 27, 1948 - November 30, 2020

Dateline: Godfrey, IL

Charles "Charlie" Baird, 72, died at 5:35 a.m. Monday, November 30, 2020 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, MO. Born March 27, 1948 in Alton he was the son of the late Royal E. Baird and Frances P. (Boker) Baird Ray. Charles graduated from Alton Senior High class of 1966 and continued his education graduating LCCC in 1984. In his many careers he worked at Clark Oil & Refining, Berco Construction, CTI Field Services and St. Louis Cardinals Event Staff. Charlie was an avid golfer and St. Louis Cardinal fan all his life. Charlie graciously volunteered his personal time with many organizations in the area including, Melvin Price Locks & Dam, Lewis & Clark Confluence Towers, and many, many others. He served with the US Army from 1969 to 1971 with an honorable discharge rank of E-5. Charlie was personally involved in projects for U.S. veterans including Chicago Chapter of Tuskegee Airman Inc. (CDCTAI), Wreaths Across America, and Missouri History Veterans Project. He was preceded in death by his parents. Surviving are brothers, Royal (Kelly) of Edwardsville, IL, Roland (Jackie) of Port Charlotte, FL and Clark of Alton, IL. Nieces, Karly (Roger) McDonald of Bethalto, IL, Stacey (Steve) Cowern of San Antonio, TX, Amy Crook (Tom Wright) of Norristown, PA, nephew, Brian Baird of St. Louis, MO, as well as great nieces and nephews, and many friends and neighbors. Charles will be cremated, and burial will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, MO. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society and Melanoma

Research Alliance or to a U.S. Veterans organization of the donor's choice.
Gent Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. www.gentfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Charles "Charlie" Baird

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ Charles "Charlie" Baird

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ Sherry lit a candle in memory of Charles "Charlie" Baird



Sherry - January 12, 2021 at 06:09 PM



“ Donna Broyles Mariner lit a candle in memory of Charles "Charlie" Baird

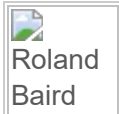


Donna Broyles Mariner - January 06, 2021 at 08:33 AM

PS

“Uncle” Charlie came into our life when my husband had pancreatic cancer. He saw our families pic. On a fan page. He didn't know us. He showered us with love and support. He made my husbands days light up. He was a tremendous friend but my husband never met him. Charlie had a heart bigger than anyone I know. He was family to us. I am so sorry we didn't know he was ill. We would have been there for him. I know Wesley will greet him in heaven and talk baseball. Hugs to his family. Tears from us.

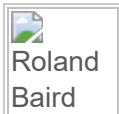
Peggy Smith - December 11, 2020 at 09:49 AM



Roland Baird

Thank you Peggy for the kind thoughts and prayers.

Roland Baird - December 11, 2020 at 06:26 PM



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My heart is broken

Peggy Smith - December 11, 2020 at 06:49 PM

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I didn't know him but he was good to my Uncle Wesley & that makes him "an angel gone home" for us.

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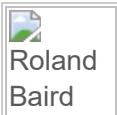
Peggy, Charles talked often of your family. There were many times we would come across some Cardinal merchandise and say that he thought he would send it to you. I know he regretted not making the trip to Kentucky.

Kelly Baird - December 19, 2020 at 05:07 PM

DJ

“ I had the great pleasure of "working" with Charlie in Left Field Loge. He was the kindest man. He got to know some of my family, when they came to the game. He'd hold my wife's ice cream, while she was keeping score. He checked on my daughter (every inning) when she was there with a new boyfriend. (They're still together Charlie.) I will miss him greatly when we go back to the stadium. Section 265 will not be the same, without Charlie...

Dan Jackson - December 07, 2020 at 03:27 PM



Roland Baird

Thank you. I know Charlie would say, "It's the way we were raised!"

Roland Baird - December 08, 2020 at 10:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles "Charlie" Baird.

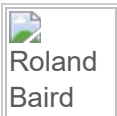


December 07, 2020 at 03:14 PM

JF

“ So sorry to hear about Charlie. I have fond memories of our Agnes neighborhood and our families. Charlie was special and our paths crossed over the years. Love and prayers to the family.
Janeen Jamison Fox-Pressey

Janeen Jamison Fox-Pressey - December 06, 2020 at 07:01 PM



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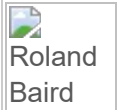
Janeen, thank you. I just found a picture of Charlie and you and others at TJ I believe. We often talked about teaching us Canasta and how to dance.

Roland Baird - December 08, 2020 at 10:47 PM

DT

“ *My wife and I will certainly miss our friend, Charlie. We worked with him at the Alton area Tax Project. His kindness and humor was appreciated by us and all who knew him. We are certainly going to miss him. We are so sorry for your loss.*

Dave and Chinh Thies - December 05, 2020 at 09:01 AM



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Thank you and yes, he is and will be missed. Roland

Roland Baird - December 05, 2020 at 10:48 AM

PS

I can't imagine losing such a wonderful brother. Our hearts are broken with you.

Peggy Smith - December 11, 2020 at 09:55 AM