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Merlin Harold Carr was born on November 23, 1929, and departed this life for the next on June 27, 2023, in his home in Charlotte, NC. Merlin was born in Miller, South Dakota, where his family homestead is located.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 45 years, Delores LaOna Carr; his parents, Harold and Ethel Carr; and two brothers, Wayne and Gene Carr. He is survived by his three children, Debra Stipe and husband Peter of Williamsburg, VA, Constance Williams of Louisville, KY, and Stephen Carr and wife Tamara of Charlotte, NC; seven grandchildren, Julie Wilson, David Stipe, Kelly Williams, Carey Lavalley, Timothy Williams, Ashley Bernet, Dani Carr; thirteen great grandchildren; sister, Donna Allen of California; and many loving nieces and nephews.

Merlin served in the Navy (1948-1952) as a communications radioman, and later in the Marine Reserves. He was a Christian man who lived out his faith, not only in word, but in deed. He served the Lord in numerous congregations in the capacity of deacon, elder, prison ministry, prayer ministry and mission work. He worked with all ages in the church and most recently at 93 years old, served in the junior high ministry at the church he presently attends.

There was no end to his love of an adventure, travel, and enlightening everyone with his stories. No one was a stranger to him because he was one of the kindest, most loving, and compassionate individuals that anyone could meet. By the end of a conversation, he would know the person's name, schooling, occupation, family history, and hobbies. He loved the Lord and treasured his family.

Ship Ahoy--Anchors Aweigh, Praise the Lord, I'm on my Way.

Memorial services will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Compassion International at www.compassion.com or Wounded Warriors project at



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<https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org>

Online condolences may be made at www.jamesfuneralhomekn.com

James Funeral Home, of Huntersville, is serving the family and obituary lovingly written by the family.



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WD

Wayne Dorough posted:

Merlin was the most remarkable man I ever met. He served aboard the USS Spangler DE-696 ahead of me, but I had the good fortune of meeting him and becoming friends at the ship's reunions. His recollection of past events blew me away. He could tell a sea story in great detail like no one else. I'll deeply miss my phone conversations with him.

July 4 at 5:51 PM

PC

Pamela Carr posted:

I only met Merlin one time, when he came to Jamestown, RI, to visit the Carr Homestead. It was a pleasure to meet him and get to know him. Love you Merlin!!!! Pam Carr your distinct relative!!!!

July 3 at 11:03 AM

EF

Ed & Cindy Flick posted:

To the family of Merlin Carr we're sorry to hear your sad news. Ed said he will miss his stories about farming. You are in our prayers. Ed & Cindy Glick

July 2 at 10:44 AM

JF

Jeff And Kea Mckee & Family posted:

We are so very sorry to hear the news about Merlin's passing. He was such a fun, kind and wonderful man. One of our favorite memories of Merlin was when he would sing with his wife Dee. There are two wonderful angels singing together again in Heaven's choir. Our love and sympathy to all his family and friends. Merlin will be dearly missed by all who knew him. Love, Jeff & Kea McKee and family

July 1 at 1:18 PM



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Glenda Lund posted:

Delores is my older step-sister. I remember meeting Merlin and as a young girl, I thought he was so handsome. He had a wonderful smile .

July 1 at 9:12 AM



Debra Stipe July 2 at 12:52 PM

Glenda, as I was going through Dad's treasure box, I found a picture of you and Sharon when you were young sitting with him. So sweet that he included it in his box. ❤️



Greg Flippen posted:

Rest in peace, gentle man. Merlin was a good man with a good sense of humor, a baritone voice, and a light hearted guitar. He was peppered throughout my lifetime in always joyous moments, and the world has passed a good man into the Kingdom of God.

July 1 at 9:12 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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