



Charles Edward Smith

November 12, 1942 - February 6, 2021

Mr. Charles Edward Smith, 78 of Jonesboro, GA passed Saturday, February 6, 2021. Celebration of Life Services for Mr. Smith will be held at 1:00PM Saturday, February 13, 2021 at Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home. Attendance is by INVITATION only. The Service will be Live Streamed. Visitation is 11:00AM until the hour of Service. Due to the COVID-19, a mask is required to enter the Chapel. Please express your condolences here on our website. Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home 4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy., Decatur, GA 30034 (404) 241-5656

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **13**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a [Click Here For Live Stream in memory of Charles Edward Smith](#)*



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - February 13, 2021 at 10:09 AM

MR

Our deepest, warmest sympathies and prayers are with you, during this time of unimaginable loss. May God walk beside you and guide you through.

Mr. Charles was a warm, kind, welcoming person. He embraced my family like his own. Thank you for the care, guidance, and love that you and Mrs. Yvette has shown for my son. We are entirely grateful to God for your life and you will be deeply missed.

Rest in peace!

Mae Reeves - February 13, 2021 at 01:43 PM

LB

“ *Lenora B. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Charles Edward Smith.*



Lenora B. - February 20, 2021 at 07:07 AM

ML

“ Chuck was our mentor and number one cheerleader. He opened up so many opportunities for our company. We would not have thrived had it not been for Chuck. We send sincere condolences and prayers for comfort and strength to the family. Chuck was an great man with a heart of gold who will surely be missed

*Marvin and Virginia Lowrance
Southeast C and I Electric*

Marvin and Virginia Lowrance - February 14, 2021 at 02:58 PM

JM

“ Dear Yvette and family,

Thank you so much for sharing Chuck with the Shell family. I still remember the first time I met Chuck when I joined Shell, totally new to the corporate world and the way how things worked. He took me under his wing and brought me into a supportive cocoon like he had for so many others. He always had not just a word of advice, but hilarious comments that would just have me laughing constantly! For the next several years, he was such a breath of fresh air in a very demanding workplace. And one of the smartest people I've ever known - he amazingly connected with everyone at every level... from the most senior to the most junior levels. He could just walk into a room and command it with his personality and presence. Aside from all of that, he was such a warm, caring and supportive person. I will miss him tons and tons, but thank God for the good memories.

Heaven has just gained another angel. Rest In Peace Chuck ❤️

Julie McQueen-Foster

Julie McQueen-Foster - February 14, 2021 at 10:59 AM



“ Chuck was a Distinguished Mentor for me, like he was for so, so many others. He has had such a profound impact on my entire career. I worked under him while at Shell Oil where he became more like a father figure as, much as an Exceptional Manager but more of a Coach. He always knew exactly what to say to bring out the Best in everyone. Chuck was the 1 person in the entire company where I never heard anyone utter a single negative word about, a testament to his Noble Character & Mastery in his field. His support and encouragement for his Mentees as he pushed us all go after greatness was unwavering.

When I left Corporate America midway during my career to open my own businesses, Chuck was one of my strongest advocates to GO FOR IT! Always backing his words , he and Yvette made my restaurant 1 if their first stops off the plane in LA to come and give me their physical support. Chuck always told me "I'm proud of you" every time we spoke. Like so, so many his confidence in me meant so much to me.

Most what I loved about Chuck is how much he LOVED Yvette, kids & having. This world has just lost 1 of the Great Ones, but Chuck Smith's Legacy will positively live on FOREVER.
My condolences to the Family. ❤️

Gaila Sampson Williams - February 13, 2021 at 05:07 PM

RB

“ Dear Yvette and family;

I was sad when I heard about Chuck, but then I was immediately thankful that he was apart of my life. Chuck was very instrumental in my life and career as I started with the Los Angeles Retail District. Chuck was the best mentor and coach I had in my career at Shell and saw things in me that I did not see in my self. That was one of his great qualities to always see the good in people and motivate you to do your best - by the way, you felt bad if you did not give your best. I loved the fact that even though we worked hard, Chuck made sure that we had fun in the process - balanced marketing life wherever possible. While I moved on to other assignments outside of Shell Retail, it was the lessons I learned from Chuck that gave me the confidence to accept whatever challenge came my way both personally and professionally.

May God comfort you and your family during this time.

Ron Booth and family.

Ron Booth - February 13, 2021 at 04:04 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Charles Edward Smith.



February 13, 2021 at 02:40 PM

SA

“ Yvette and family, please know that I am with you during the loss of my great, kind and beautiful best friend, mentor and brother. He was an exceptional and caring man. I am so blessed to have shared great memories with him and the family over the years. Chuck contributed so much to the successes and accomplishments in my life and always inspired me to be the best. The time we spent together and the memories of our many wonderful trips, football games, and family gatherings will be in my heart forever. I will continue to lift up the family in prayer.

Rest in Peace my friend!

Sharon

Sharon Ambeau - February 13, 2021 at 02:29 PM

MB

“ In memory of true friend and great loving spirit. I will remember our many years of working, and enjoying a real bond of friendship. God Bless you and welcome you home to His house. You will always have a special place in my heart. Mack Bohanner and family

Mack A Bohanner - February 13, 2021 at 02:21 PM

BF

“ Dear Yvette and family;


I want to echo what so many people on these posts have shared, namely that Chuck played such an instrumental role in my life at the start of my career with Shell in California. He was a mentor, a friend, a confident and coach. He knew naturally how to motivate, inspire and build teams. Above all, he made work fun. All that worked with him have so many specific memories (and "Chuckisms") that will stay with us our whole lives.

I'm enjoying the services and celebrating the man, his life and legacy. Our prayer are with you that you'll feel the Lord's peace and comfort.

God Bless!

Brian and Michele Finch

Brian G Finch - February 13, 2021 at 01:20 PM

 Cheryl
Malonson

“ *My heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family Yvette. I am so sorry for your loss. Chuck was a good person and exceptional role model. I will miss the presence of a truly lovable and pleasant person. I'll never forget Chuck's kindness, smile and words of wisdom. I'm so honored and blessed to have known him. He was a good mentor and friend. May God give Chuck eternal rest and grant you the peace and strength that you and the family need to get through this great pain. Sincere condolences!*

My deepest sympathy!

Cheryl Malonson

Cheryl Malonson - February 13, 2021 at 01:00 PM

ML

“ Yvette and Family,

Our deepest sympathies and condolences go out to you and the family during this most difficult time. As we mourn the passing of Chuck, let's us not forget to celebrate the wonderful life he lived, the many, many life's he has positively impacted and life lesson he has taught all of us. As a young man, just starting my career with Shell in a new city, Chuck was always there for me as a leader, a mentor and a most importantly a friend to help in any situation that might arise, work or personnel. I treasure those moments in Los Angeles and remember those great memories often when thinking of Chuck. Thank you Yvette for sharing Chuck so freely with the many he worked with over the years! Our prayers are with you and your family.

Mike Lambert and Family

Mike Lambert - February 13, 2021 at 12:06 PM

MG

“ *Chuck Smith was a beautiful and caring person. I met Chuck when I became the Sales Manager of the East Bay District in 1983. Chuck was a sales rep at the time. He gained my respect and admiration immediately. He loved his wife and family first and he also loved his job with The Shell Oil Company.*

Chuck was promoted to a Territory Manager in Los Angeles. We stayed in close contact and continued our relationship when we both worked in LA. Chuck was an outstanding performer in his assignment in LA. When I was the Marketing Manager for the West Coast, Chuck was promoted to be the District Manager of LA East. He won the respect of his employees, his Shell Retailers, and his Senior Management.

I will always remember Chuck and Yvette. I am proud to say that Chuck was a good friend. We will all miss him.

Mike & Judy Greer

Mike Greer - February 13, 2021 at 11:58 AM

JD

“ I send my heartfelt condolences to the entire family. Chuck was a mentor and friend to me. He offered me advice always with kindness, calmness, and his wonderful smile. Chuck's laugh and facial expressions brought levity to any moment, and his genuine concern for others no matter the situation was a quality I admire and remember him for.

I spent a night on his couch many years ago after a very late night, and I woke up to the smell of Yvette's pancakes already cooking for us all. Her sweet voice calling him "Charles....." and the way they looked at each other in everyday moments to this day is one of the most endearing memories of a husband and wife in love that I know.

I am a much better person today because I knew this wonderful man. He was a strong, calming, peaceful influence on my life when I needed it the most. May he rest in peace and may his memories, examples, and love live in me and in all the others he has touched.

Jim Deakin

James M Deakin - February 13, 2021 at 11:52 AM

CY

“ My deepest condolence to the whole Smith family. I loved working with Chuck over the years. He taught me a lot and always had time to talk and listen.. He was a mentor to me for sure!. He was a very competitive man and knew had to win at whatever he did. I think he went to more Laurel award trips than anyone in Retail Marketing! Such a great guy and I will miss him. Rest in Peace brother!



Carolyn Yapp

Carolyn Yapp - February 13, 2021 at 11:45 AM

EP

“ Charles "CE" Smith was a mentor, manager, and friend that supported my career in and out of Shell Oil Company. Though we grew up in completely different generations, he understood me and others building a lasting legacy of real action, and not just the words and jargon of corporate America. He showed everyone through his life legacy how to value diversity, implement transformation leadership, delegate authority with accountability, responsibility, support, and reward for performance. His business model's key business activities nurtured, transformed, and elevated you. His value drivers are measured by the friendships he created in and outside of business.

He made opportunities for equity and access by his support and participation in the Urban League's Black Executive Exchange Program that allowed African American corporate executives to teach, mentor and hire African American students attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities sharing the opportunities available in corporate America. He was awarded consistently and consecutively for increasing the shareholder value invested in people. He understood that people are a company's most valuable asset.

Ms. Yvette and the Charles Smith family, I offer sympathy because of your loss of Charles Smith. I offer congratulations to Ms. Yvette and the family for sharing this Man among men with us. I understand your sacrifices and I appreciate you allowing us share him with you. Ms. Yvette, both you and Charles were and still are roll models for Jacqueline and myself.

You have our deepest sympathies and our highest respect.

Ernest Polk and Jacqueline Marie Thomas

Ernest Polk - February 13, 2021 at 11:04 AM

JV

“ Dear Evette and Family,
My heart and prayers go out to you all. We mourn the loss of a great man, mentor and friend. You and Chuck were always there for me in my early days in the corporate life. We had fun together in Florida and the Northern California.
I'm sure Chuck is in a better place and smiling at all of us.
With deepest sympathies,
Love Dave Vandersteen

J. David Vandersteen - February 12, 2021 at 11:09 PM

RT

TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY FOR
THE WONDERFUL THINGS HE HAS
MADE DERICK...
Just remember Derek, for the Bible tells us...
Your father may be absent from the body but he is present with the Lord...
So , we say to you Derek and your mother Gail...
Rev. Yvonne Shaw and our entire family will continue to love you all unconditionally.
Just like your Dad
Loved you all.
You are a great man because of your father and your mother teachings...
The Lord said let not your heart be troubled...
The Lord said in my house there are many mansions
I go to prepare a place for you...
Now we must live graciously like your father so that we can see your father one day...
Thanks, LORD Jesus Christ
WE HONOR
YOUR DECISIONS

Rev.Yvonne Shaw and family and The - February 13, 2021 at 01:06 PM

CS

Yvette and family,

Our deepest sympathies go out to you and your family for your loss. Our family is keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. I consider myself a lucky man for having the opportunity to work for Chuck in Los Angeles. He was a great role model and great man. I am a better person for having known Chuck and lucky to have had such a great friend.

Carl Stowe

Carl J Stowe - February 13, 2021 at 01:48 PM

DM

Dear Yvette, Jennifer, Derek and the entire family,

I was very saddened to hear the news about Chuck's passing. He was an amazing man. I feel very blessed that he was in my life, and I know I am a better person today because of that. I went to work for Chuck in 1988 in Shell's Los Angeles East District. Chuck was fiercely competitive which was reflected as a 7-time Shell Laurel Society Winner. He taught me so many life lessons, as well as being a father figure. Chuck always told me that your family comes first – don't ever forget that!

His smile, laugh and constant positive outlook rubbed off on everyone he interacted with. I always looked so forward to calling and catching up on things. I loved watching the games together in Diamond Bar especially when he first purchased the Sony big screen TV!

I will miss you Chuck. I know you led a full life well lived. You had such a positive impact on so many and have left a tremendous legacy. I know God is holding you tight and you are resting in internal peace.

Love, Dan and Tina

Daniel P Moran - February 13, 2021 at 11:10 PM