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Charles Richard (“Chuck”) Sterling of Lovettsville, VA, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 as the result of a farm equipment accident. Chuck was born on September 30, 1950 in Bradford, Pennsylvania to the late Betty Bullock Sterling and Charles Glenn Sterling. Most of his youth was spent in Bradford, PA. The family then moved to Blue Ridge Summit, PA where Chuck developed his passion for shop class, cars and motorcycles. He also developed a love of literature, particularly the plays of William Shakespeare and works of J.R.R. Tolkien, especially Lord of the Rings. Chuck graduated from Waynesboro High School in 1968, at the age of seventeen. At the time, he was too young to go to work for Mack Truck, so he worked other jobs until he became of age to be employed by Mack Truck, following in the footsteps of his Father. Chuck then became a manufacturing technician with Mack Truck until he retired in 2001.

Chuck is survived by his beloved wife, June McKimmey Sterling, who he married on November 12, 2002. Chuck and June loved to travel and camp, particularly in the Southwestern United States, where they met many new friends. Chuck had a lifelong love of motorcycling and classic cars, particularly Ford Mustangs and 1964 Ford Galaxie 500’s. In addition to being an avid lifelong reader, Chuck was a lover of all varieties of music with over 6,000 songs on his IPod. To relax, Chuck had taken up landscape painting in the acrylic medium, meditation, and had learned signing so that he could communicate even more fully with those within his circle of friends who were hearing impaired. Additionally, Chuck had a loving compassion for all four and two legged creatures both big and small, most recently Harley, his beloved late rescue dog and Lanky, the family’s friendly rescue cat.

In addition to his wife, Chuck is survived by his four sisters including Peggy Denton



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of Fayetteville, PA, Karen Sanders and her husband Charles of Fayetteville, PA, Susan Montgomery and her husband Jay of Knox, PA and Janet McIntyre of Newville, PA. Chuck also leaves behind his stepson, Kevin Warner, of the home. He is also survived by his two sons, Brandon L. Sterling of Longmont, Colorado and Matthew D. Sterling of Manchester, PA, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life for Chuck will be held at a date to be determined. A private burial service will be held in the Greenhill Cemetery in Waynesboro, PA. The family requests that memorial donations be made to the Equine Rescue League, PO Box 4366, Leesburg, VA 20177 (funds will be designated to Promise Kept Farm of Lovettsville, VA), or to Hoffberger Breast Center c/o Mercy Health Foundation, 301 St. Paul Place, or to a charity of choice in Chuck's memory.

Arrangements are by Loudoun Funeral Chapel & Crematory .in Leesburg, Virginia, where online sympathy messages can be directed to

[www.LoudounFuneralChapel.com](http://www.LoudounFuneralChapel.com)



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JE

**J.R. Everhart** posted:

I worked with Chuck at Volvo Powertrain in the CDL dept. Chuck and I had many conversations about life and religion. I am a Christian that works in the music business and have traveled much and could always tell Chuck had too. He was cultured and awake... If I'm not mistaken we both shared Cherokee heritage. Chuck def stood above the mondaine routine of work and lived life free and courageous. He was fun to be around and could see the big picture of life most people missed. Even though it's been years since I had seen him, my heart breaks of the news of his passing. My prayers to all those grieving in this valley of darkness. But please be comforted in the knowledge that our current separation is only temporary, for we will meet again on God's celestial shore. JR Everhart

November 7 at 7:36 AM

SH

**Sharon** posted:

"Love you long time ".....

November 2 at 9:38 AM

LR

**Leah Radecke** posted:

Peggy, so sorry to hear of Chuck's passing. I remember Chuck when your family lived in Blue Ridge. Deepest sympathy to you and your family. Leah Radecke, former classmate, Thurmont MD

November 1 at 1:55 PM

SH

**Shaynon L. Hughes** posted:

To June and the Sterling family we send our deepest condolences. I just can't say enough about Chuck. He was an amazing person who touched everyone's heart he came across. Full of fun, smile's, laughter and jokes. In times of need he was always there to lend an ear. We will forever cherish our vacations and time spent with him. We will miss him dearly.

November 1 at 5:40 AM

SB

**Steve Boyd** posted:

June and family so sorry for your loss. Chuck was such a good guy and will surely be missed by all that knew him and considered him a friend. As part of the Steve George and Friends Band we considered him our friend.

October 31 at 8:05 PM



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**Ronald Jenkins** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

June, I'm so sorry to hear about Chuck. My sincere condolences to you and the family.

October 31 at 6:23 PM



**Margaret Harris** posted:

June, I am so sorry for your loss. I did not know Chuck, but could see by the pictures and the ever present smile on your face, you were happy. Find some peace in the love you shared and the time you were together. Love to you my friend. Bruce and John Harris

October 31 at 11:44 AM



**Linda Kelley And Eddie Nelson** posted:

Chuck's gentle spirit, kind heart, easy smile and warmth will be so sorely missed. He made such a strong impression on my grandkids---using carrot sticks for "tusks" to amuse Riley and Braedon and teaching Lilly to dance--they thought he was funny and he was! He was open and accessible to them, drew them in to his fun and his special attention to them was welcomed and appreciated. Chuck is the epitome of what my grand parents would describe as "good people" -- they don't make them any better. My heart hurts and I can't even begin to imagine the pain our lovely June is enduring. June, please know that Eddie and I are praying for you to know God's grace and mercy to be present during your grief.

October 31 at 11:12 AM



**Glenn Webster** posted:

June and family. I just heard this and paul and I are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you. Glenn and Paul webster

October 31 at 6:53 AM



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**Charles Hawkins** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Chuck was a beautiful person that enriched anyone's life he came in contact with. Always willing to help. He will be missed greatly by me and my family. May June and Kevin enjoy the memories they had made with him through their lives. Especially the times he made them laugh.



October 31 at 6:18 AM



**Shawn Miller** October 31 at 8:49 AM

Chuck was such a wonderful man. So many good memories! He will be missed. My heart goes out to you and your family.



**Debbie** posted:

June, my heart breaks for you. When you and Chuck found each other, it was meant to be. You were true soul mates and a match made in Heaven. The bond you two had can only mean that one day, you will reunite and spend eternity happily together. It is meant to be. I wish you comfort and hope that the wonderful memories you have will in some small way ease your pain.

October 31 at 6:15 AM



**Danell Palladine** posted:

Bill and I are so saddened by the loss of your wonderful husband. We admired your amazing relationship and cannot imagine the heartbreak of your sudden loss. We loved Chuck from the moment we met him and are blessed to have called him friend. Prayers for your comfort dear June. We are here for anything you need or want. Danell and Bill

October 31 at 4:58 AM



**Ronnie Deetrow** posted:

Dear June, I am so extremely sorry to learn of Chuck's passing. I keep thinking and thinking about you and I just can't stop. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers and I wish you comfort somehow through your grief and pain. So sincerely, Ronnie Detrow (former liaison at Volvo)

October 31 at 4:21 AM



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JJ

**Jeff Jones** posted:

My deepest sympathy goes out to June and Chuck's Family. My prayers and thoughts are with you.

October 31 at 3:02 AM

JM

**Jim Marsden** posted:

June, I was so sorry to hear of Chuck's death. Our Engineering Retirees group passes these sad tidings around - we're all getting to the age where we see all too many of these notices. My best to you and Kevin in this trying time. Jim Marsden

October 30 at 6:43 PM

LW

**Linda Walker** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

October 30 at 6:35 PM



BH

**Barbra H** posted:

Beautifully written June! Big hugs coming your way.

October 30 at 4:13 PM

RS

**Roberta Schofield** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

We both would like to express our deepest sympathy to June and the family. We will remember fondly our friendship we experienced with Chuck and June in the few years we were privileged to know them. Wish we lived closer to extend comfort in person but our thoughts and prayers are sincerely felt. Bryan and Roberta Schofield, Nova Scotia Canada

October 30 at 4:07 PM





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**Randy Quesenberry** posted:

June and family, I am so sorry to hear about Chuck. My wife and I extend our heartfelt condolences. I didn't realize until a few minutes ago he was the one involved in the accident last week. May God comfort you in this difficult time.

October 30 at 3:43 PM



**Elaine Walker** posted:

Dear June and Family Please accept our sincere sympathy. We pray that happy memories will help to make each day better for you. The Walker Family Elaine, Deb, Linda, Carol, Brandon

October 30 at 11:31 AM



**Howard Dixon** posted:

I would like to express my condolences to the family of Charles Sterling.

October 29 at 4:04 PM



**Kristina Kreeger** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time. You have our deepest sympathy. Steve, Kris, and Angel.

October 29 at 3:39 AM



**Mary , Steve Knepper** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

October 28 at 10:57 AM



**From The Membership Of The Lovettsville Game Club** sent a Sapphire Skies Bouquet to the Sterling family.

October 28 at 8:05 AM





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**Cecelia Cole** lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Was very sorry to hear about your husband. Know he will be missed by many. You have my deepest sympathy Cecelia Carpenter Cole

October 28 at 8:03 AM



**Joe N Kay** November 1 at 3:32 AM

June..our hearts, love & prayers are with you .. chuck never knew a stranger ! We will all miss him.. please know your other family is here for you. Joenkay



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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