



Charles White Hollis

December 5, 1933 - March 8, 2024

Charles White Hollis, age 90, of Wilmington, NC, passed away on Friday, March 8, 2024. He is survived by his loving wife, Dorothy, of 66 years, son, Chuck Hollis (Wendi), daughter, Beth Key (Barry), 3 grandchildren, Jon Hollis, Jordan Bell (Brett), Hannah Key (Kayla), and 2 great-grandchildren, Penelope and Jonathan Bell.

Charlie was born in Wilmington, NC on December 5th, 1933 to the late Bob and Hattie Hollis. He grew up on Masonboro Sound and enjoyed many water sports such as boating and skiing. He attended New Hanover High School and graduated in 1952. After graduation, he attended Wilmington College and NC State University. He began his career with the US Army Corps of Engineers Wilmington Branch in 1958 and retired in 1989 as Chief, Regulatory Branch. He was instrumental in the creation and organization of the Regulatory Branch which regulates the activities in the waters and wetlands. He served on numerous national task forces which developed the policies and regulations of the Regulatory program. He served as an advisor to the Assistant Secretary of the Army at the Pentagon from 1986-1989 working on regulatory matters. For his outstanding accomplishments and dedication to public service, he was awarded the Meritorious Civilian Service Award.

Charlie loved his family more than anything. Dorothy was the love of his life and they spent as much time together as possible, whether traveling, eating out, or spending time with family and friends. In their earlier years, family time

meant camping or boating with other church families at Masonboro Island. Charlie was actively involved in his children and grandchildren's lives. He loved to attend their band concerts, piano recitals, graduations and sporting events. He loved celebrating their successes with them and was always willing to help with any project or just give his fatherly advice. He was selfless in that he always put others before himself.

Tribute Wall

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“ *What wonderful memories I have of Uncle Charlie, from the time before he married Aunt Dorothy, to being a junior bridesmaid in their wedding, till the time he passed. He was always a loving caring man. He loved us as his own, and we really were his own! My mother was the big sister he never had and their love and bond never wavered. He will always hold a special place in my heart. My love to his wonderful family.*

Tricia Bever - March 24, 2024 at 07:40 PM

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“ *Sorry for your loss!!!*

James's Richardson - March 23, 2024 at 11:22 PM

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“ *My love and prayers to Charlie's family - may your many fond and loving memories bless you, comfort you, and give you peace for the many good times you shared with Charlie. He was truly special!!*

Bettie V. Strickland - March 21, 2024 at 08:47 AM