



## Mr. Charlie Wayne Short

December 7, 1939 - June 2, 2023

Charlie Wayne Short, 83 of the Ruth Community near Arab passed away on June 2, 2023. Mr. Short was born on December 7, 1939, to R.C. and Atha Hyatt Short of Union Grove, AL. He and the former Brenda Gregory were married for 20 years.

Mr. Short was a strong Christian and a very active member of the Union Grove First Baptist Church. He loved the Lord and spent his lifetime witnessing to others through word, deed, and song.

Mr. Short graduated from Guntersville High School and afterward received a basketball scholarship where he studied at Young Harris Community College in Young Harris, GA. His career included stints with Thiokol, IBM, 3M, and the Charlie Short Construction Company. In addition, he built, owned, and operated the Long Branch Opry for many years which was a 650-seat capacity venue featuring bluegrass, gospel, and comedic acts. Mr. Short was a singer and member of several gospel quartets over the years including the Grace Quartet, the Disciples, the Long Branch Quartet, and the Long Branch Boys. He was a talented musician who played piano, guitar, fiddle, harmonica, and bass. He also loved the outdoors including hunting, fishing, and farming. Mr. Short was a devoted family man who was loved by everybody who knew him. He is survived by a large and loving family including his wife: Brenda; sister Margaret Short Lee; son: Wade Short (Martha); daughters Kerry Short Mitchell (Steve), Jana Carr Weaver (Donnie), Connie Carr Nance (David), LeAndra Carr Martin (Craig), and Allison Kirk Knight (Daniel). He is also

survived by 14 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews. Charlie was preceded in death by his parents, R.C. and Atha Short.

Visitation will be held at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel on Sunday, June 4, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Mr. Short will lie in state from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Union Grove First Baptist Church on Monday, June 5, 2023 .

Funeral services will be held at the the church at 11:00 a.m. Graveside services will follow.

in lieu of flowers please send donations to Shepherd's Cove

# Cemetery Details

## Union Grove Cemetery (Marshall County)

3920 Union Grove Road  
Union Grove, AL 35175

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel  
1340 North Main Street  
Arab, AL 35016  
(256) 586-4100

## Funeral Service

JUN 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

Union Grove First Baptist Church  
3920 Union Grove Road  
Union Grove, AL 35175

# Tribute Wall

TL

*“ We were deeply saddened to hear of Charlie’s passing. He was a kind, caring, wonderful friend and neighbor to us all. He will be greatly missed. Our deepest condolences to the family, along with healing thoughts and prayers.*



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**Tommy and Louette** - June 08, 2023 at 05:39 AM

CM

*“ Wwas sad to hear today of Charlie's passing*

*Many years back we had purchased the house he had built on Ruth road.*

*He set up a little place next to us and we lived next door to him there for many years before moving back to Huntsville.*

*I can truly say that Charlie was one of the finest people I have ever know in my life.*

*May God bless the family and ease their sadness.*

*Carl Mayes*

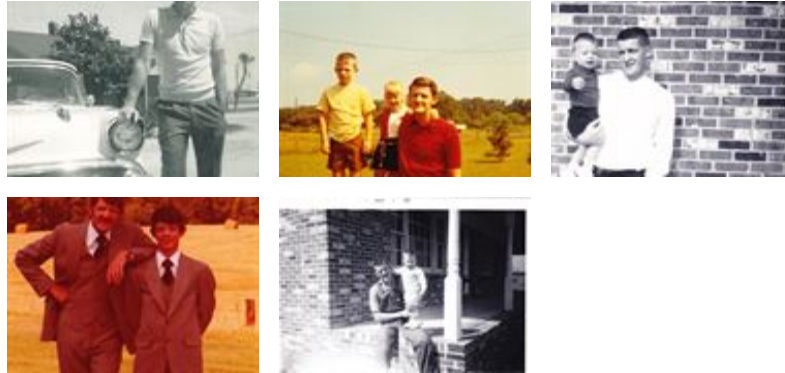
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**Carl mayes** - June 06, 2023 at 04:55 PM



“ 50 files added to the album LifeTributes



Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel - June 04, 2023 at 11:14 AM



*I will miss Charlie Linn Brannon*

Carolyn Brannon - June 05, 2023 at 10:23 AM



“ Nalani McNary lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short



Nalani McNary - June 03, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ Jan Malone lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short



Jan Malone - June 03, 2023 at 07:24 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short.



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June 02, 2023 at 06:21 PM



“ *Janet F. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short.



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**Janet F.** - June 02, 2023 at 05:20 PM



“ *Sandra Gibson-Hester lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short*



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**Sandra Gibson-Hester** - June 02, 2023 at 04:19 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short.



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June 02, 2023 at 04:17 PM

SH

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Charlie! I will always have many good memories of him. Always had a smile on his face, a story to tell or a song to sing. He will certainly be missed. Love to his family!



Sarah/Sonny Hazel - June 02, 2023 at 03:34 PM

JL

“ JSEG and the JP Leadership planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short.

JSEG and the JP Leadership - June 02, 2023 at 02:41 PM

JL

“ JSEG and the JP Leadership purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short.



JSEG and the JP Leadership - June 02, 2023 at 02:41 PM

BW

“ Betty Whisenant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charlie Wayne Short



Betty Whisenant - June 02, 2023 at 01:44 PM