



Charles Edward Hadley

September 17, 1935 - November 20, 2024

Charles Edward Hadley, age 89, surrounded by his loving wife and children and the love of our Lord passed away peacefully on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 in Charlotte, Michigan. We were blessed that close family and friends were able to say good-bye during the two days before he passed. He was a wonderful son, brother, uncle, husband, father, grandfather and friend. Charles was born on September 17, 1935 in Lansing, Michigan to Daniel and Fern (Dorr) Hadley. He was the fourth child of six children. Charles married the love of his life, Beverly Jean Wright, on August 5, 1956 and they were married for 68 years and they had four loving children. Charles (Charlie) will be remembered for many things. Coming from meager beginnings, he began working as a produce manager at Maker's IGA to learn the family skill of meat cutting. Charlie became the owner of his own corner store, the South End Grocery, in Charlotte, Michigan and at one time the Thriftway market in Mulliken. He taught his children and several young people the skill of responsibility and working with people. He also managed to purchase a farm and became a crop farmer and later owned a peat farm. Later in life he worked at General Motors for twenty years and retired. Charlie and Beverly moved to Zephyrhills, Florida where he learned to golf for the first time. They enjoyed being retired and returned to Michigan during the summers. He learned the love of fishing and hunting at an early age and it made him happy to share his knowledge and experiences with his children, grandchildren and many friends throughout his life.

Charles is survived by his wife of 68 years, Beverly Jean Hadley (Wright); four children Kim (Bud) Kruszka, Chuck (Tiva) Hadley, Sally (Rod) Magoon and Scott (Bonnie) Hadley. Charlie and Beverly have sixteen grandchildren, Charles (Chuckie) Edward Hadley III, Marshall Magoon, Jeremiah Hadley, Christopher (friend Tonya) Magoon, Jessica Hadley, Mitchell (Jen) Magoon, Tia (Ray) Armstrong, Ty (Brianna) Hadley, and Nikolaus (friend Eliza) Kruszka and Tim Lenhard, Samantha Dumond, Kaity Loveland, and Alex Cummings; thirteen great-grandchildren, Charles Edward Hadley IV, Olyvia Magoon, Annabelle Magoon, Brody Choinski, Harper Choinski, Maylee Hadley, Maddyn Hadley, Kollins Armstrong, Estin Hadley, Emily Lenhard, Maddie Armstrong, Noah Armstrong, and Ilitah Simmons; five great-great-grandchildren, Alaric, Malikye, Novaleigh, Delylah and Genicys, and children Sophia and Manoah.

He is also survived by his brother, David Hadley; sisters-in-law, Janet Bryner and Sally Buckley; brother-in-law, Richard Phelan; and many loved nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel and Fern Hadley; brothers, Daniel Hadley, Clarence (Bill) Hadley; sisters, Barbara Corrigan and Carol (Dee-Dee) Phelan; sisters-in-law, Arlene Hadley, Joyce Hadley, Mary Hadley; and brothers-in-law, Chuck Corrigan, Roger Bryner, and Dick Buckley; and his three grandchildren, Charles (Chuckie) Hadley III, Jeremiah Hadley and Charles Edward Hadley IV.

He is also remembered by special friends, Robert and Diane Lake, Randy Grundstrom, and Steve (Ted) Dotts. Special thanks to cousins, Dick and Linda Balzer who tended to their care while in Florida.

Friends are encouraged to support Charles' family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. Visitation will be from 2-5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 24, 2024 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, November 25 at

Pray Funeral Home with grandson, Ty Hadley, officiating. Interment will take place at Deepdale Memorial Gardens in Lansing with a luncheon to follow. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to www.prayfuneral.com, click on Charles' tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to St. Jude Children's Hospital. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Deepdale Memorial Gardens

4108 Old Lansing Road
Lansing, MI 48917

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W Seminary St
Charlotte, MI 48813

Funeral

NOV **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W Seminary St
Charlotte, MI 48813

Burial

NOV **25**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



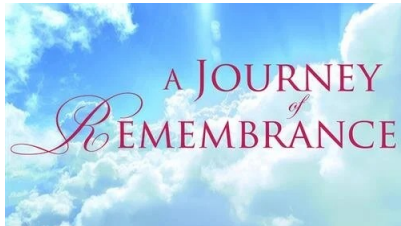
“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Charles Edward Hadley*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 25, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles Edward Hadley*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 24, 2024 at 05:35 AM



“ *I met Beverly, and Charlie in Zephyrhills when I would visit my mother who lived there also. I was immediately welcomed to the family and we had many good times golfing and horse/dog racing. thank you for your kindness and hospitality. Rest in peace Charlie thanks for the gift of you.*

Don Serovy

Donald Serovy - December 24, 2024 at 03:30 PM



“ 37 files added to the album LifeTributes



Love without measure



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - November 24, 2024 at 12:31 AM



“ Tim, Toni, Veronica, Erin, Tyler & Kyle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Edward Hadley.

Tim, Toni, Veronica, Erin, Tyler & Kyle - November 23, 2024 at 10:20 AM



“ Tim, Toni, Veronica, Erin, Tyler & Kyle purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.



Tim, Toni, Veronica, Erin, Tyler & Kyle - November 23, 2024 at 10:20 AM

JW

“ *Memories from my boyhood – Uncle Charlie behind the meat counter, with those Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons above, at IGA. His store in Milliken and at South End. Uncle Charlie and Bev’s dependable and smiling faces at summer Family Reunions and Christmas Parties in the basement of the Savings and Loan. Charlie’s strong work and provider ethic, his love for God, family and friends, could not have provided this young man with a better model of Christian family values. Condolences to my Godmother aunt Bev and the family. May His peace be with you as we recall and celebrate his time with us, confidently knowing we will be together again.*

Jack Wright

Jack Wright - November 23, 2024 at 09:27 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles Edward Hadley.*

November 23, 2024 at 08:21 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.*



November 23, 2024 at 08:21 AM

TB

“ I have fond memories of South End Grocery from my boyhood. When I found myself in the vicinity it was always particularly fun for me as he had many candy and soda choices that could not be found elsewhere in town. My condolences and a special thank you to his family and loved ones for the many kindnesses of Mr. Hadley.
Todd Braithwaite

Todd Eric Braithwaite - November 22, 2024 at 07:34 PM

DB

“ Dave and Karen Bogi purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.



Dave and Karen Bogi - November 22, 2024 at 06:10 PM

PW

“ Paul & Kathy Williams purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.



Paul & Kathy Williams - November 22, 2024 at 01:10 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.



November 22, 2024 at 12:42 PM

AC

“ Adam, Alina, Brody & Harper Choinski purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.



Adam, Alina, Brody & Harper Choinski - November 22, 2024
at 11:32 AM

LC

“ South End grocery was our "go to" place when we were younger. However, growing up on Horatio Street, we had to have an adult (or Pete Haines, the mailman) to cross Cochran with us. Mr. Hadley had such a friendly face and put up with us taking so much time trying to decide exactly what to buy with our 25 cents! Rest in Heaven Mr. Hadley. My deepest condolences to your family.

Laura Cooper - November 22, 2024 at 08:04 AM

JS

“ Very sorry for the Hadley families loss.

Jeff Smith - November 22, 2024 at 12:24 AM

PG

“ Uncle Charlie and Aunt Beverly have been part of our family since the very beginning. All the fun memories of him and all our cousins all together celebrating holidays and summer picnics will never fade. Visiting him and Aunt Beverly in Florida was always a special time and I’ll always remember Uncle Charlie bringing me strong coffee in a thermos when I was there, because my parents made theirs too weak. He was an amazing man who had all the great family stories about when he was a kid growing up with his brothers and sisters. I loved hearing about what life was like for them and picturing all the Hadley aunts and uncles and my mom as children. He will be so missed and left so many great memories for all of us, peace and love to all his kids and grand kids, my cousins, my family- love Patty

Patty Phelan Goodman - November 21, 2024 at 10:58 PM

FH

“ Growing up, I remember Southend grocery. My parents (Lee and Marge Herrick) Were loyal customers and friends with the Hadley’s. Great quality meat also remembering having my first deer processed from him back in 1977 also us Neighborhood kids stop there to grab a soft drink & candy. Great memories from years ago ! My sincere condolences to the family

Frank Herrick - November 21, 2024 at 10:40 PM

AB

“ Uncle Charlie was so loved.. We will miss him so much. We have the best memories of him when we were little and loved being able spend quality time with he and Aunt Beverly when we'd visit our parents in Zephyrhills. They had the best time being neighbors the last 20 + years. Sending love to Aunt Beverly and all our cousins and their littles. Love you Uncle Charlie. Give my mom a huge hug. I know she was there to greet you- Alina

Alina Phelan Ballou - November 21, 2024 at 09:48 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.*



November 21, 2024 at 09:39 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles Edward Hadley.

November 21, 2024 at 09:27 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.*



November 21, 2024 at 09:27 PM



“ *Nate and Bridgette Liptak planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Edward Hadley.*

Nate and Bridgette Liptak - November 21, 2024 at 07:35 PM

NL

“ *Nate and Bridgette Liptak purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Charles Edward Hadley.*



Nate and Bridgette Liptak - November 21, 2024 at 07:35 PM

DH

“ *Our prayers to all of the Hadley family with the loss of Charlie.
Sincerely Brinda and Dave Hawkins*

David L Hawkins - November 21, 2024 at 06:04 PM

JH

“ *Thinking of you all andvsending love.
Jackie Hammond*

Jackie Hammond - November 21, 2024 at 04:59 PM