



Charles Autry Kennedy

May 21, 1927 - May 11, 2021

Charles Autry Kennedy, age 93 of Conyers, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, May 11, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ed and Vera Kennedy. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Christine Kennedy; daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Russell Swindle; grandchildren, Alan, Andrew and Abby Swindle; brother, Ben Kennedy; sister, Wilma Barton as well a niece, nephews and cousins. Charles was a member of First Baptist Conyers where he served as a Deacon and on various committees. Charles proudly served our nation in the United States Navy during WWII and in the United States Army during the Korean War. He enjoyed traveling, but what he enjoyed most of all was spending time with family and friends. He worked for what seemed most of his life, starting with delivering ice from the ice truck. Charles held various titles such as a Coach, where he led the 1960 Basketball team to win the state championship, as well as a Teacher and Principal at Osborne High School in Cobb County. He was the Superintendent for Rockdale County where he retired from the Board of Education. He finished his career with the Georgia Department of Education as a Facility Consultant. He will be forever remembered by those who knew him. Funeral services will be held Friday, May 14, 2021 at 2:00 PM at Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel with Dr. Jimmy Elder and Chaplain Adrien Neely officiating; interment will follow at Greenwood Memorial Cemetery in Floral, Alabama on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at 3:00 PM. The family will receive friends Friday, May 14, 2021 from 12:30 PM until 2:00 PM at the funeral home. The family would like to

extend deep gratitude to Brightmoor Hospice and The Oaks at Ashton Hills for their selfless team work in tending to the care of our loved one. Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Memorial Cemetery

101 Sixth Street
Floral, AL 36442

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 14. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Service

MAY 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Tribute Wall



“ *Scot Ward Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Charles Autry Kennedy*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - May 14, 2021 at 12:55 PM



“ *Cheeseboard Complete was purchased for the family of Charles Autry Kennedy.*



May 16, 2021 at 12:53 PM



“ *This wonderful man guided so many lives down a successful path. I know he is rejoicing in heaven.*

Janet Blanchard Douglas. - May 14, 2021 at 11:50 PM



“ *Mr. Kennedy was a great principal!!! Fair, kind and tough. Osborne Class of 1966.*

Margaret Brittain Millar - May 14, 2021 at 12:15 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Autry Kennedy.



May 13, 2021 at 06:37 PM



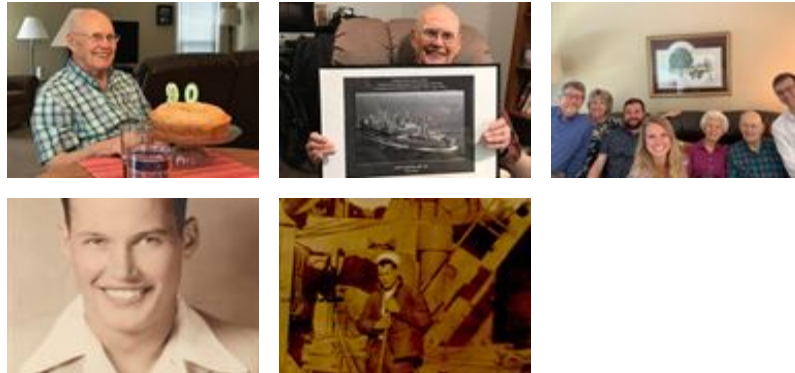
“ Condolences to the family of Charles A Kennedy. He was one of our dearest friends and will be greatly missed.

LC & Della Palmer

Della Palmer - May 13, 2021 at 06:16 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scot Ward Funeral Services - May 13, 2021 at 02:28 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Charles Autry Kennedy.



May 13, 2021 at 01:33 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant* was purchased for the family of Charles Autry Kennedy.



May 13, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ *Mr. Kennedy was responsible for making the Rockdale County Schools into a leading Georgia school system during his tenure as Superintendent. The schools built during his tenure are testimonials to his forward thinking in the area of providing the finest in school buildings for Rockdale County students. Carol and I send our sincerest sympathy to his family. Ellis Dunbar*

Ellis Dunbar - May 12, 2021 at 10:14 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Charles Autry Kennedy.



May 12, 2021 at 08:27 PM



“ *Charles was an excellent school superintendent. He was responsible for many improvements in the Rockdale County Schools and I was proud to call him my friend.*

Don Joiner

Don Joiner - May 12, 2021 at 06:14 PM

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I have admired Mr. Kennedy since I met him in 1964. He is respected by so many. I enjoyed working for him at R. L. Osborne High and at Rockdale High. He made our school system in Rockdale the best. He and Mrs. Kennedy have been our friends for years and our thoughts are with Jane and Russell. Douglas Sharp

Samuel Douglas Sharp - May 14, 2021 at 03:40 PM

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Charles Kennedy was a transformational school leader before that term had ever been used. He and his successor, Don Joiner, elevated the Rockdale County School System to one of, if not, the best in Georgia.

David Messer - May 24, 2021 at 11:20 AM