



## Mr. Charles Edward Bailey

December 5, 1957 - March 15, 2021

When Great Trees Fall

When great trees fall,  
rocks on distant hills shudder,  
lions hunker down  
in tall grasses,  
and even elephants  
lumber after safety.

When great trees fall  
in forests,  
small things recoil into silence,  
their senses  
eroded beyond fear.

When great souls die,  
the air around us becomes  
light, rare, sterile.

We breathe, briefly.

Our eyes, briefly,  
see with

a hurtful clarity.

Our memory, suddenly sharpened,  
examines,

gnaws on kind words  
unsaid,  
promised walks  
never taken.

Great souls die and  
our reality, bound to  
them, takes leave of us.

Our souls,  
dependent upon their  
nurture,  
now shrink, wizened.

Our minds, formed  
and informed by their  
radiance,  
fall away.

We are not so much maddened  
as reduced to the unutterable ignorance  
of dark, cold  
caves.

And when great souls die,  
after a period peace blooms,  
slowly and always  
irregularly. Spaces fill  
with a kind of  
soothing electric vibration.  
Our senses, restored, never  
to be the same, whisper to us.  
They existed. They existed.  
We can be. Be and be

better. For they existed.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 23. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

MAR 23. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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## Burial

MAR 29.

Carolina Biblical Cemetery  
Highpoint , NC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Charles Edward Bailey*

November 11, 2022 at 12:38 PM



“ *I will miss you Uncle Charles. Thanks for being a great uncle who was always funny and full of love. I will miss hearing your infectious laugh and you big heart.*

*Love,  
Tonia Lynch (Tee Tee)*



**Tonia Lynch** - March 23, 2021 at 03:57 PM



“ *Our Charles was tons of fun and would light up a room with his laugh, jokes, and happy demeanor. He truly loved life, his family/s and friends. We enjoyed his excitement whenever he wished us a happy birthday, which he never forgot. Those annual Bailey reunions, he so looked forward to helping plan and he just boasted that cousin Angie assigned him Sargeant at Arms for the Hayes reunion. Our kind, loving, and giving Charles will be terribly missed. As we relive his precious memories, may we trust Our Wonderful Lord and Savior and love each other.  
"Momma" Annie, High Point NC*

**Annie Riddick** - March 23, 2021 at 01:51 PM

TL

*We will miss you so much Uncle Charles. We will miss your big kind heart and infectious laugh.*

*Your loving niece,  
Tee Tee*

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**Tonia Lynch** - March 23, 2021 at 03:50 PM

BE

*Thinking of you Cuzzo miss u*

*Love Betty*

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**Betty** - August 26, 2024 at 10:23 AM

AA

“ *Yolanda and Family,*

*Please accept my heartfelt condolences! Belo was family and I will cherish the many memories made growing up in our close knit community in High Point. Belo never forgot home and made sure he checked in with my parents on each visit and frequent calls. Your smile and your laugh will live in our hearts forever. You were a special "brother" and I will miss you, however, I will forever cherish each memory made... and there were many!!! Rest Well my Brother!!*

*Alvin Vincent Allen (Washington, DC)*

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**Alvin Vincent Allen** - March 23, 2021 at 12:43 PM



“ Dear Yolanda and family, Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Charles "Belo" Bailey was a wonderful friend (since high school). His laughter could fill a room. His easy-going personality put others at ease around him. I will always have fond memories of him. He was a special friend/brother. He always reached out to my mother on her birthday (12/3) since their birthdays were so close. Please receive our heart-felt condolences. Melanie & Carey Casey (Chicago)

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**Melanie Casey** - March 23, 2021 at 12:12 PM

PD

“ SIP Cousin Charles, I will miss our calls every time you leave town just to let me know you are travelling. You will be missed but not forgotten. Love you forever Cuz!

Love,  
Priscilla and family

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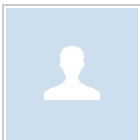
**Priscilla Dale** - March 23, 2021 at 08:58 AM

RM

“ Heartfelt condolences to you all. May Charles rest in power in God's kingdom. Sending blessings, virtual hugs, and much love to you all from your cousins Ruthie, Ray, and Brent.

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**Ruth Manuel-Logan** - March 22, 2021 at 11:18 PM



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



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March 22, 2021 at 08:49 PM

NS

“ Yolanda, Shemir and family, you have our deepest condolences. Charles was a person who had a heart of gold. He will be truly missed. Hold onto the precious memories, he will always be in your heart. Love, Nancy and Fatimah

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nancy simmons - March 22, 2021 at 12:18 PM

AN

“ Yolanda, Shemir, Keisha and family, you have our condolences. Charles loved y'all so much! He was a great dad, grand dad and hubby! A father's love is a never-ending gift. May you forever feel him watching you from Heaven. May all the precious memories of him bring you and your family comfort. Love Angie, Arthur & Simone

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Angie - March 21, 2021 at 06:40 PM

AN

“ Charles, my cousin, my brother! Although you are gone away, Your love will always be here to stay. You touched so many hearts with love, you made us laugh, your contagious smile made us smile, it could magically turn a frown upside down, you lit up a room, you are unforgettable and will forever be missed. So long ☐ love always Angie, aka Boo the Nick name you gave me 😊



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Angie - March 21, 2021 at 12:51 PM

JH

“ Miss you cuz. We will always cherish you in our hearts.. Rest In Peace



James Junior Hayes - March 21, 2021 at 12:41 PM

LH

“ Lessie Howard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Edward Bailey



Lessie Howard - March 21, 2021 at 09:38 AM

AN

“ Angie sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Charles Edward Bailey



Angie - March 20, 2021 at 10:23 PM

FH

“ Hey sweet B, I'm going to miss you, saying hey Floyd, you are my big brother. I remember the time I was in the hospital, you and Dad came to save me and pick me up. You were my knight and shining armor! Your smile and laughter will always stay with me. One Love



Floyd Hayes - March 20, 2021 at 10:39 AM

PR

“I have so many memories growing up around you. My greatest memory will forever be your smile. When you walked into a room, your presence was always known by the joy that you brought with you. I know if we all search our hearts we will hear your laughter and feel your kind spirit. You will forever be missed.” Pam Russell



PAMELA RUSSELL - March 20, 2021 at 09:54 AM

AL

“You gonna be missed and i know you saw the glory before you transitioned.”

Aunt Louise - March 19, 2021 at 04:46 PM

AL

“Aunt Louise lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Edward Bailey”



Aunt Louise - March 19, 2021 at 04:42 PM

MF

“Mabry & Katreliia Young & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Edward Bailey”



Mabry & Katreliia Young & family - March 19, 2021 at 01:17 PM

MF

“ Charles will be deeply missed by his family and friends. Charles brought the sunshine to our family functions. He would walk in check out the atmosphere, if he didn't like what he saw. Charles would start laughing, joking, & speaking to everyone. He knew how to make everyone feel special. They he would quietly stand back checking the scenery out once again, smiling as if too say. I have done my job how let's get this party started. In short Charles loved family & he loved seeing everyone getting along 💕💕💕

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**Mabry & Katreliia Young & family** - March 19, 2021 at 01:16 PM

CU

“ Cussy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Edward Bailey



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**Cussy** - March 19, 2021 at 12:10 PM