



## Charles R. Kerruish Jr.

September 18, 1939 - June 5, 2025

It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Charles Kerruish, who left us on June 5 at the age of 85. A devoted husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend, Charles leaves behind a legacy of love, resilience, and humor that will be forever cherished by those who knew him.

Born on September 18, 1939 in Detroit, Charles grew up with a passion for knowledge, boating, and adventure. He spent 63 wonderful years with his beloved wife, Nancy, who was not only his partner but also his best friend. Together, they built a warm and loving home filled with laughter, support, and many cherished memories.

As a proud father, Charles took great joy in his children, Heather and Steve. He was a constant source of encouragement and wisdom, always eager to guide and support them as they navigated life's challenges. His enduring gift of love and guidance will forever live in our hearts.

Charles dedicated much of his professional life to Ford, where he was known

for his innovative thinking and integrity. Throughout his professional life, he was not only a mentor to many but also, a leader who inspired those around him to strive for excellence. Beyond his career, Charles enjoyed sharing stories, gardening, and spending time with his family at the lake. A day rarely passed without him driving his green lawn tractor around to work on various landscaping projects. Most recently, his favorite activity was helping his son-in-law, Mike, build a catamaran by offering a keen eye and helpful advice. His sense of humor, keen intellect and friendly spirit created an atmosphere of warmth wherever he went.

Charles is survived by his devoted wife Nancy; his loving daughter, Heather (Mike); his devoted son, Steve; his grandchildren, Erin (Jose) and John (Katelyn); and his new great granddaughter Charlotte. He leaves behind a legacy of love and strength that will continue to inspire all who knew him.

A funeral service to celebrate Charles's life will be held on June 14th at 11:00 am at St. George's Episcopal Church at 801 E. Commerce Street in Milford, Michigan with a luncheon immediately following the service. Family and friends are invited to share their memories and pay tribute to a truly remarkable man. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. George's Episcopal Church ([www.stgeorgesmilford.org/gift](http://www.stgeorgesmilford.org/gift)), honoring Charles's

lifelong commitment to helping others.

Charles will be dearly missed, but his spirit and love will live on in the hearts of all who were

fortunate enough to know him. May he rest in peace.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JUN 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. George's Episcopal Church  
801 E. Commerce St.  
Milford, MI 48381

# Tribute Wall

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“ To many, he was known as Charles. I knew him mostly as Grandpa Chuck, or Mr Chuck as I would call him. I had the privilege of getting to share many wonderful moments with this amazing gentleman, got to enjoy his stories of growing up, even heard stories of how he visited my home country one, what a small world, right?. Ever since meeting his Granddaughter, I only heard how great he was, and from the moment I met him, I could understand why. Mr Chuck always found a way to make me feel very welcome in his home, and more importantly, accepted me in his family with open arms. Not only did I get to hear his stories, but even found a new passion thanks to him, and relived unique moments with my own grandad when he would take us out for pontoon boat rides by the lake. I can sincerely say if only knowing him for a few years left this wonderful imprint in me, I can only begin to imagine how wonderful is it to have a lifetime of memories, values and love shared with his family. Mr Chuck, you will be dearly missed, but know you will live in every polar I get to enjoy, and every golf ball I ever hit. Thank you for everything, we will reunite in the next life and share a polar once more.

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**Jose Gomez** - June 14, 2025 at 09:55 AM

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**Jose Gomez** - June 14, 2025 at 09:54 AM

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“ I’m sorry to hear that Charles has passed. It was always my pleasure to see him at the library and hear a story about a trip he took or when he’d give a quick comment about a book he was reading. Sometimes when I’d ask how he was, he’d say “I’m on this side of the grass”. Rest easy.

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**Christine Heron** - June 06, 2025 at 03:18 PM