



Charlie L. Chapman

September 8, 1943 - February 23, 2026

Charlie Lewis Chapman was born September 8, 1943 in Talladega, Alabama to the late Jenkins and Lillian Chapman. He was the fifth of eight children.

At an early age he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at Africa Missionary Baptist Church. He graduated from R.R. Moton High School in Sycamore, Alabama.

After graduating from high school, Charlie moved to Chicago, Illinois where he met and married Vera J. Gardner. Together they had two children, Charles and LaTanya. During his time in Illinois, he was a member of Second Baptist Church in Maywood, IL, where he served on the usher board. He was later a member of Broadview Missionary Baptist Church in Broadview, IL. He retired from the Chicago Transit Authority after 30 years of dedicated service.

In retirement he returned to Alabama where he worked part-time as a school bus driver and also volunteered at the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind. He was a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Anniston, Alabama.

Charlie enjoyed the simple pleasures in life. Spending time with family, working with his hands, taking pictures, gardening, home improvement, lawn care, browsing in stores, reading "the paper," picking pecans and watching

football and baseball were some of his favorite pastimes. He loved rodeos and horses, especially his horse, Cha Cha.

A man of quiet strength, he was humble, disciplined, and kind.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jenkins and Lillian; three brothers, Jenkins, Willie Henry and Julius Chapman and two sisters; Elizabeth C. Trask and Carrie Lillian Chapman Hunley.

On Monday, February 23, 2026, Charlie humbly submitted to the will of God and went home to be with the Lord at his residence in Oxford, Alabama.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his devoted wife of 57 years, Vera Jean Chapman; his son, Charles E. (Morranda) Chapman of Huntsville, AL; daughter Dr. LaTanya R. (Denis) Floyd of Villa Rica, GA; three grandsons, Myles E. Chapman, Jalon L. Chapman and Deven M. Chapman, all of Huntsville, AL; two brothers, George E. Chapman of Westchester, IL and Jerome Chapman of Talladega, AL; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Chapman Family Cemetery

Landmark Rd
Talladega, AL 35161

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 27. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Homes and Crematory- Anniston
830 Noble Street
Anniston, AL 36201

Celebration of Life

FEB 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Missionary Baptist Church
1100 Pine Grove Road
Anniston, AL 36201

Tribute Wall

JE

“ Judge & Ena planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charlie L. Chapman.

Judge & Ena - February 28 at 11:47 AM

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“ Judge & Ena purchased the Simply Elegant Spat *hiphyllum* for the family of Charlie L. Chapman.



Judge & Ena - February 28 at 11:47 AM

HM

“ Helen Millender lit a candle in memory of Charlie L. Chapman



Helen Millender - February 28 at 09:15 AM

TC

“ My condolences to the Chapman family, Uncle Charlie will be missed.



Tamara Chapman - February 25 at 09:55 AM

ET

My condolences to you Vera and your family for the lose of your husband. Will keep you and the family in my prayers. Evelyn Turner and George E Chapman. Jr. From Ohio

Evelyn Turner - February 28 at 11:18 AM

SM

*Sending our sincere prayers and condolences to the entire Chapman family. You have suffered a great loss. My the thoughts and memories help guide you through this time and beyond. Love you all ❤️
Sparkie McGee and family*

Samuel McGee - March 02 at 04:21 PM