



Charles Ryland Tench Sr.

October 22, 1933 - December 27, 2021

Charles Ryland Tench, Sr., 88, of Charles City passed away December 27, 2021 and was reunited with his wife, Patricia. He was born October 22, 1933 to the late Robert and Lucille Tench and grew to become an avid outdoorsman. He was a proud US Army Veteran who worked as a farmer and commercial fisherman. At one point, Charlie held the largest quota of rockfish tags in the state. He enjoyed helping Virginia Marine Resources with tagging fish and fish quotas in the James River.

“Big Charlie” or “Catfish” as he was often called, never met a stranger. He was a wonderful guitarist, who loved singing, and was known for his epic storytelling ability, his love of dancing, and his genuine appreciation for the being in the company of beautiful ladies. Charlie was blessed with exceptional neighbors and friends, many of which now live throughout the state.

Charlie was preceded in death by his sisters, Estelle Wash and Bobbie Lou McDuffy. He is survived by his children and their families, Margie Hula, Charles R. Tench, Jr., Robert H. Tench and Robin Schreiber; and a sister, Jessie Wise.

Many thanks to Amedisys Hospice and to The Haven in Charles City for the extraordinary care and love they provided to Charlie.

A private graveside service will take place at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church,
Charles City, VA.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Dementia Society of America,
<https://www.dementiasociety.org/donate>.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ I am proud to have known Charlie. May he rest in piece

robert weagley - January 01, 2022 at 04:08 PM

LC

“ Charlie was a unique and beloved neighbor and friend. Terrific outdoorsman and story teller. I'll miss our visits Charlie. Lindell Cruise

Lindell Cruise - December 30, 2021 at 07:05 PM

RS

Thank you Lin, you were a wonderful neighbor and friend.

Robin Schreiber - December 30, 2021 at 07:49 PM

CF

“ Charlie was a friend from all our dating days. He was a wonderful dancer and always full of fun. In later years, he met and became a friend of one of my aunts (wouldn't you know it) through dancing! She liked him and his wife and spent many a Saturday night dancing at Bellwood often followed by breakfast at her house in Chesterfield Co.! Hope you find a good dance partner up there, Charlie!

Carol Satterwhite {formerly Fenton} - December 30, 2021 at 11:06 AM

GW

“ we will miss you Charlie

Gordon & Bonnie whittaker - December 30, 2021 at 07:17 AM

BA

“ *Sorry for your loss Charlie will be missed*



Brenda Adams - December 30, 2021 at 06:23 AM

VW

“ *So sorry for your loss praying for the family.*



Victoria Wash - December 30, 2021 at 06:07 AM

PR

“ *So very sorry for your loss, Tench Family.*

Phil & Lisa Reynolds - December 29, 2021 at 08:05 PM

LK

“ *Laura Key lit a candle in memory of Charles Ryland Tench Sr.*



Laura Key - December 29, 2021 at 07:14 PM

LK

Thinking of all the family at this very sad time. Please know you remain in my thoughts and prayers. 🙏❤️

Laura Key - December 29, 2021 at 07:15 PM

VB

“ Vincent & Shirley Brackett in memory of Charles Ryland Tench Sr

Vincent & Shirley Brackett - December 29, 2021 at 05:03 PM

YB

“ Yvonne Bradby lit a candle in memory of Charles Ryland Tench Sr.



Yvonne Bradby - December 29, 2021 at 04:42 PM

VC

“ Vince & Bonnie Clark lit a candle in memory of Charles Ryland Tench Sr.



Vince & Bonnie Clark - December 29, 2021 at 04:18 PM

VC

Many thoughts and prayer for the numerous family members and friends. He provided us with many, many laughs and memories. He will be greatly missed.

Vince & Bonnie Clark - December 29, 2021 at 04:19 PM

BE

“ Beverly Darlington Edwards lit a candle in memory of Charles Ryland Tench Sr.



Beverly Darlington Edwards - December 29, 2021 at 02:00 PM

LP

“ I am so sorry for the loss of, big Charlie, love and prayers to his family. He will be missed

Lisa post - December 29, 2021 at 11:34 AM

LE

“ LeeAnn Evans lit a candle in memory of Charles Ryland Tench Sr.



LeeAnn Evans - December 29, 2021 at 11:24 AM

MT

“ Beloved father in law, you will be greatly missed by all who knew you, RIP.



Melinda Tench - December 29, 2021 at 11:19 AM