



Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander

September 24, 1951 - June 9, 2025

Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven

Charles Henry Alexander, Jr. (Charlie), 73, of Southaven, Mississippi, passed away on Monday, June 9, 2025. He was born to Henry and Margie Ann Alexander on September 24, 1951, in Houston, Mississippi.

Charlie graduated from Houston High School in 1969 and went on to earn his Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from the University of Mississippi in 1973 and a Master's Degree in Education from Mississippi State University in 1975. While at the University of Mississippi, he was a manager for the Ole Miss football team. His long and distinguished career in education began as a teacher and principal in Aberdeen, MS. Later, he served as a principal in Southaven, MS. Over the years, he faithfully served the students and families of DeSoto County, ultimately becoming the Assistant Superintendent of Schools. In addition to his leadership, he was affectionately known as the "Voice of the Chargers," a role he embraced for 23 years, bringing spirit and pride to the community he loved.

He was actively involved in numerous professional organizations throughout his career, including the National Association of Elementary School Principals, Phi Delta Kappa, and the Mississippi Association of Elementary School Administrators, where he received the Distinguished Service Award and

served as Executive Secretary. He was also a dedicated member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and was honored with the Outstanding Service to Commission Award, a Certificate of Appreciation, and the Distinguished Educational Achievement Award. In recognition of his impact and leadership, he was named one of the Outstanding Young Men of America.

Charlie met the love of his life, Patsy Farish, in April 1973, and they were married on December 22, 1973. They celebrated 51 years of marriage filled with love, laughter, and shared adventures. Together, they enjoyed traveling, cheering on their favorite sports teams, and wholeheartedly supporting their children, Patrick and Elizabeth. For many years, they were devoted members of First Baptist Church, Aberdeen, MS, and Carriage Hills Baptist Church, Southaven, MS where Charlie served faithfully as a deacon and a Sunday School teacher for over 40 years. In recent years, they became members of DeSoto Hills Baptist Church, where their faith grew and flourished.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Margie Ann Alexander; his in-laws, Travis and Myra Farish; and his brother, James Alexander.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Patsy; his children, Patrick (Martha Jane) of Morristown, TN, and Elizabeth of Southaven, MS; and was "Poppa" to his cherished grandson, Caleb, also of Morristown. He is also survived by his brothers, Dr. Billy (Kim) Alexander of Calhoun, LA, and David (Susan) Alexander of High Point, NC, as well as nine nieces and nephews and their children, whom he loved deeply.

Charlie was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. He gave his life to Jesus at an early age and lived each day striving to follow Christ with integrity, humility, and love. His faith was the foundation of his life,

evident in his servant leadership, the way he loved his family, and his unwavering commitment to encouraging and uplifting those around him. His legacy is one of faith, family, and a life well-lived in service to others.

A visitation will be held Friday, June 13, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at Desoto Hills Baptist Church. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, June 14, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., also at Desoto Hills Baptist Church, with Rev. James Lewis, Rev. Grant Stegall, and Rev. Patrick Alexander officiating. A graveside service will be held following the celebration of life at Desoto Memorial Gardens., with Rev. Grant Stegall officiating. Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in honor of Mr. Charles Henry Alexander may be made to Desoto Hills Beyond the Build (4680 Getwell Rd, Southaven, MS 38672).

Expressions of condolences may be shared on Mr. Charles Henry Alexander's Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhomesh.com.

Cemetery Details

Desoto Memorial Gardens

630 Star Landing Road East
Southaven, MS 38672

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Desoto Hills Baptist Church
4680 Getwell Road
Southaven, MS 38672

Celebration of Life

JUN 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

Desoto Hills Baptist Church
4680 Getwell Road
Southaven, MS 38672

Graveside Service

JUN 14 (CT)

Desoto Memorial Gardens
630 Star Landing Road East
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Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander



Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven - June 11, 2025 at 12:16 PM

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Mr. Alexander's life abound with love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, kindness, gentleness, and self-control and through him the Spirit blessed all who knew him. Additionally, working with him showed us so clearly that the work of his hands was for God and no thistles were around. The fruit of his life that brought him the greatest joy was his children. Though I've never met Patrick, Mr. Alexander was a man who was pleased with his son and looked forward to visits. It is a pleasure and a blessing to know Liz Alexander and to have seen first hand the pleasure that he took in the sweet girl who was his daughter and the smart woman who was his colleague.

May God bless and keep all the Alexanders through this loss and help you hold close the memory of his life that was such a blessing.

Emily Nelson - June 11, 2025 at 11:02 PM

JM

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends. Charlie was a classmate of my brother Randy(died in Feb. 2000). May you feel God's comfort as you grieve.

Jan Davis McKinney - June 14, 2025 at 09:26 PM

JJ

“ I am sorry to learn of Charlie's passing. We were classmates in Houston and members of the Methodist Church throughout our childhood years. Charlie was a wonderful person, and I know he will be missed by his family and community. May God bless you all with peace and happy memories.

June Sigler Jenkins - June 22, 2025 at 11:35 AM

TR

“ Charlie was a Great guy. So very sorry for your family's loss. We send our sympathy.

Terry Rhodes - June 17, 2025 at 05:20 PM

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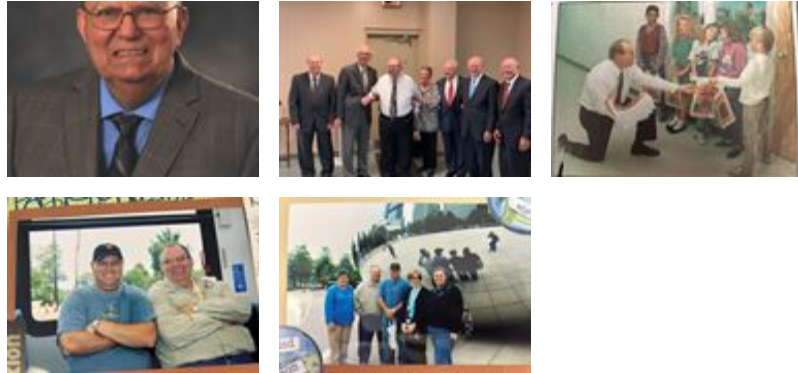
“ Integrity Senior Home Care Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander.



Integrity Senior Home Care Family - June 12, 2025 at 06:29 PM



“ 114 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven - June 11, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander.



June 11, 2025 at 03:23 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray* was purchased for the family of Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander.



June 10, 2025 at 03:56 PM

SH

“ Patsy, I am so sorry for your family’s loss but am glad I got to visit with him the times he came in Kroger to pick up prescriptions. I’m thankful for your 51 years of love and happiness!! Just think, we have known each other since we were in the same class at Fairview Elementary in the FIRST grade!! I’m enjoying living back in Columbus and have reconnected with a lot of our old friends! In case you have not heard, they closed Franklin Academy at the end of this school year. Fairview is also on the list of closures this summer. It makes me sad! Six great years of Elementary School and all those Lee High Football games at the “Bow!” at Franklin. Hold all life’s blessings in your heart and I’m glad that Charlie is a peace.....

Shaula Moore Hailey

Shaula Moore Hailey - June 10, 2025 at 12:19 PM

AF

“ Andy and Sandy Farish purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander.



Andy and Sandy Farish - June 10, 2025 at 12:12 PM

JH

“ He was my principal and friend in Aberdeen. He was a wonderful leader who cared so much for all of his students, faculty and staff. I’m so thankful for both his leadership and friendship. Prayers for Patsy, Patrick, Liz and the whole family. 🙏🙏🙏🙏❤️❤�

Jane Hubbard - June 10, 2025 at 06:08 AM

BI

“ Charlie was a wonderful part of my childhood. He was my first cousin (literally), and we had many nice Sundays at Grandmother Irby's, or in Houston at his house watching football (or at his Grandmother Alexander's), or at our house in Grenada. As Tenneyson said, I am a part of all that I have met. I am glad God give us cousins like Charlie. I also have a fond memory of his wedding to Patsy. It was a beautiful Christmas wedding in Columbus... one of the most beautiful weddings I've ever attended. I was fortunate to be a bridesmaid. In 2013 and 2014, there was Charlie at his Uncle Buddys (Daddy) and Aunt Gladys' (Mama) funerals. May God grant peace and comfort to all the family, along with continued nice memories of this fine person, my cousin, Charlie. A leader among leaders and a good role model.

Beverly Irby - June 09, 2025 at 11:34 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Charles "Charlie" Henry Alexander.



June 09, 2025 at 08:38 PM

LK

“ Patrick, MJ, and Caleb....Sending our love and sympathy in your loss. We will be lifting all of you in prayer during this time. We love you, Leslie and Larry Kelley

Larry Kelley - June 09, 2025 at 06:10 PM