



Charlie Y. Cooper Jr.

June 14, 1936 - December 18, 2015

Cooper, Charlie Y, age 79, passed away at his home in Pleasant Ridge on December 18, 2015. He was born on June 14, 1936 in Flint, MI to the late Charlie and Brigid Cooper. Charlie worked for numerous years as a partner at Cooper, Shifman, Gabe, Quinn, and Seymour. He served his community in a variety of offices including city attorney (15 years) and municipal judge within Pleasant Ridge. Charlie also served as the principal prosecuting attorney for the city of Novi, magistrate for the 52-1 District Court, and board member of the South Oakland YMCA. Over the years he worked as an instructor at Oakland County Community College and The Oakland Community College Police Academy.

Charlie married Elizabeth "Betty" on June 13, 1964 at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Detroit. Dear dad of Shannon (Jeff) Wolf, John, Ann (John) Arends, and William. Survived by grandchildren Kathryn, Cooper, Charlie, William, and Elizabeth.

Visitation Sunday 2-8 p.m. and rosary at 7 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. (4 blks. E of Woodward), Royal Oak. Instate Monday at 9:30 a.m. and funeral mass at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 730 S Lafayette Ave, Royal Oak.

Memorials to the Capuchins are appreciated.

Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **20**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
(248) 541-7000
royal@sullivanfh.com
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

Rosary

DEC **20**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Instate

DEC **21**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
730 S. Lafayette Avenue
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

MK

“ I am deeply saddened by Charlie's passing. As a long time former resident of Pleasant Ridge and a YMCA member as well, I've had the honor to know Charlie very well. His upbeat personality and witty comments were always well received by myself, other Y members and even my mom and dad, Ruth and Jack Kelliher (also of Pleasant Ridge). Charlie has left behind quite an impressive heritage and I am sure we will all cherish those precious memories we've created with him!

Michael Kelliher - December 22, 2015 at 03:22 PM

KS

“ Charlie was one of my VERY favorite step aerobics participants at the YMCA! He never missed a class, would sometimes bring his daughter, had great rhythm and always had a kind word and big smile to share with anyone that might need it. We even named one of our moves after Charlie--the Charleston. Even after he stopped coming to step aerobics, when we did the Charleston someone would always yell out, "This is for you Charlie!!". You will always be in our hearts Charlie! Your good humor, your kindness to others and your zest for life will always be remembered and admired.

All my love, Kirstin Steinhauer

Kirstin Steinhauer - December 22, 2015 at 01:58 PM

RB

“ I remember brunch at their house and their station wagon and their dog, Lucky. Lots of really good memories. He was more than just my friend, Shannon's dad. He was a really nice person and he will be missed.

Renee LeTissier Boogren - December 21, 2015 at 02:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..*



December 21, 2015 at 09:02 AM



“ *Always with a smile, my elegant, decent and wonderful friend will be truly missed, but not forgotten.*

Judge Jim Sheehy



Judge Jim Sheehy - December 20, 2015 at 12:03 PM



“ *Just this past summer when the forester visited our place up north, Uncle Chuck walked all the way out to the back of the orchards, into the woods. He looked up into the sun, and looked radiant. Just two weeks before, he could barely walk out past the barn. It was a very special moment with him. We will all miss him very much.*



bridget cooper - December 20, 2015 at 11:21 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..*



December 19, 2015 at 06:53 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..*



December 19, 2015 at 10:16 AM



“ *Dianne & Mike Shanley purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..*



Dianne & Mike Shanley - December 19, 2015 at 10:11 AM



“ *Charlie was a close personal friend in Junior and Senior high school. He sometimes used to take me to St Mikes High School in his 1949 Buick Convertible. I used to try to spend a lot of time at his families house during our school years because they had a television when few other families had one. I will miss his ready laugh during our school years and at our class reunions.*

Chuck Rachor - December 19, 2015 at 10:04 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..



December 19, 2015 at 09:28 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..



December 19, 2015 at 09:22 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..



December 19, 2015 at 06:38 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..



December 18, 2015 at 10:38 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..*



December 18, 2015 at 07:25 PM



“ *Charlie was a wonderful Irishman and a fantastic lawyer. He had a great sense of humor and understanding of human nature.*

I first met Charlie many years ago at an Irish Lawyers" dinner/dance when he & Mrs. Cooper brought my old high school teacher and friend Betty Yura & her husband Irv as their guests. It was fantastic story telling and conversation from the get-go and it never let up all of these years later. I, along with the legal profession, will miss Charlie.

The Cooper family is in my prayers.

*Michael J. Riordan
Michigan Court of Appeals*

Michael J. Riordan - December 18, 2015 at 06:52 PM



“ *Charlie, Betty and I ditched the whole family for a while in Ireland during the second Barlow family reunion. Actually itching we got lost coming back for the family Mass held in the Glinsk church. I will always remember his infectuous smile. Mike and my sympathies to Betty and the rest of his family.*

Dianne Shanley - December 18, 2015 at 06:08 PM

DS

Should read "Actually I think..."

Dianne Shanley - December 18, 2015 at 06:10 PM

CF

Thank you for the life of Chuck Cooper and the joy he brought into this world. Chuck was a kind man..a gentle man. He will be sorely missed; not only by his family, but by all who had the good fortune to know him. May he rest in peace.

Cherrill Flynn

Cherrill Flynn - December 19, 2015 at 09:08 AM

AC

I had the pleasure and the honor of knowing Charlie Cooper. He helped myself and my family through many legal times. He was a joy to be around and was a fantastic human being. Thank you, Charlie, for all you were. God's blessings to your family. Ann Cass

Ann Cass - December 19, 2015 at 12:17 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Charlie Y. Cooper Jr..



December 18, 2015 at 04:46 PM

KR

“ A great lawyer and even better friend. He will be missed. Ken Roy

Ken Roy - December 18, 2015 at 04:34 PM

VM

“ *The Early bird morning aerobics class, will miss you dearly. You were always in the front row, working so hard, ... talking and laughing.. You were the best joke teller:) Our hearts are broken..*
South Oakland YMCA 615am aerobics class



vicky mcgill - December 18, 2015 at 03:45 PM

AB

“ *Charlie will be missed dearly by his friends and family at the 52nd 1st Division District Court. He was known here for spreading joy here with his infectious smile and laugh. Charlie was truly one of the kindest souls this court has ever seen.*

Alexandra Black - December 18, 2015 at 02:48 PM