



## Charles W. Lent

September 13, 1940 - March 4, 2024

Charles W. Lent (83) of Germantown, New York, passed away on March 4, 2024 at his home, Larch Hill Farm, with Carol his loving wife of 27 years, at his side. Charles, fondly known as Charlie, was an inspiration to many who knew and loved him. He was born to James Milton Lent and Sarah Lord Lent, on September 13, 1940 in Summit, New Jersey. He enjoyed his childhood years with his six siblings, Shirley, Doug, Jim, George, Donna and Marti, in Scarsdale, New York. After the devastating loss of his mother at the age of 13, Charlie turned his focus to building his own tractor and embarking in business with his brother, George.

Charlie's family relocated to Savannah, Georgia. After high school, he immediately enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserves for six years. In 1958 Charlie returned to New York to build his dream of owning and operating his own construction business. He achieved his goal and established Cardinal Construction in Banksville, New York for more than twenty eight years. He later established Visage Construction Corp., in Germantown, New York, building a successful business alongside his wife and youngest son, Chad. A true lover of the land, Charlie cherished the last 38 years of his life on the farm with his horses and loyal dogs by his side.

Always a hard working guy, Charlie loved tinkering under the hood of an old truck or raking hay in the fields with his treasured Belgian Draft horses. He

was a man of many talents. With a knack for storytelling, he could capture the attention of many with his stories of times gone by. Using just a few tools and some duct tape, Charlie was an innovative problem solver – able to fix most anything. He was a great friend to many and always willing to lend a helping hand to those on need.

Throughout his life in the excavating business, Charlie was grateful to have worked alongside so many loyal men, but also enjoyed mentoring many who fondly referred to him as “the Teacher”. Aside from the love of family and friends. Charlie will forever be remembered for his strong work ethic and true grit. He positively impacted so many peoples’ lives and will truly be missed.

Charlie is survived by his devoted wife Carol, his four loving children Scott (Karen), Alison (Nate), Audrey and Chad (Kristen) and ten amazing grandchildren, Lily, Jackson, Brody, Madeline, Melissa, Abigail, Josie, Coby, Kacey and Carson. He is also survived by his dear sisters Shirley Winn Hubert and Marti Lent Anderson.

Charlie’s family is forever grateful to the nursing staff at Columbia Memorial Hospital and Hudson New York Hematology, who so lovingly cared for him throughout his illness.

The funeral mass will be held Friday, March 8, 2024 at 10:00AM at St. Mary’s Church, Holy Trinity Parish, in Hudson, New York, followed by a memorial service at Larch Hill Farm (Lent Home) from 12:00-2:00pm and burial at Viewmont Cemetery, Clermont, New York. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations please be made to Community Hospice of Columbia/Greene Counties.

# Previous Events

## Interment

MAR 8. 2:30 AM.

Viewmonte Cemetery  
Germantown, NY

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 8. 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity St. Mary's Parish Hudson

## Visitation Hours

MAR 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Larch Hill Farm  
719 Church ave.  
Germantown, NY 12526

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ I truly lost my pal , my boss , my teacher. I'll see ya on the other side someday , hopefully running an old D-6 Cat , you and your family are in my prayers 🙏

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**jim Morrone** - September 11, 2024 at 11:41 PM

BB

“ Charlie Lent was one of the nicest men I have ever known. I helped out one summer in his office and was encouraged by him to bring along my dog, Tucker. So each morning as Tucker and I came into the room, Tucker knowing Charlie was in his office, ran to see Charlie and would jump up to Charlie's lap and all the papers on the desk would go flying onto the floor. I would hurry to pick them up, and he would say don't worry about that, Tucker is my boy. Such a patient and nice man. I enjoyed every minute of working for him and Carol. Rest in peace Charlie, and I'll always remember the sight of you walking out to the field to check on your calves with 4 dogs walking behind you. How those dogs loved you. They knew what a good man you were!

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**Bea Banks** - March 14, 2024 at 01:51 PM

KG

“ My sincere condolences to the Lent famil

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**kenneth gibson** - March 12, 2024 at 01:18 PM

KT

“ So many time in my last 35 years my job has been to take care of patients but their are those special people who end up taking care of you. As we clamored around Charlie to get his vital signs and get his coffee and an extra table for his plans he always took the time to ask how our day was going! We shared stories about vintage cars and trucks. I tried to get him to watch Barrrrett Jackson auctions. He explained new and old projects, even pointing out roads and culverts and buildings on his blueprints. We took turns yelling at him for climbing ladders and sweeping garages when he wasn't feeling well. Each one of us on the floor could tell you endless different stories and we would always go find him if he was elsewhere in the building. He was truly a special person. We truly looked forward to his weekly visits . If a Tuesday went Into the afternoon we all would look and ask where's Charlie? It was our extreme pleasure to get to know Mr Lent. He will be missed by so many! May he rest in peace!

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**kelly transue** - March 09, 2024 at 07:52 AM

TF

“ Dear Family:

*Our condolences to you all.*

*The Stagias Family*



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**The Stagias Family** - March 08, 2024 at 03:08 PM

DC

“ Dear Scott and Karen and family, David and I send our condolences and deepest sympathy to you all . We are so sorry for the loss of your father. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**David and Sue Costa** - March 08, 2024 at 08:19 AM

TR

“ *Rip mr Lent your were a very kind soul.it was a pleasure to know him condolences to the family.*

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**Theresa riegel.** - March 07, 2024 at 08:29 PM

AB

“ *I loved visiting my cousin Charlie and his family when they lived in Scarsdale, NY. Being raised myself in an apartment building, and getting to go to visit a family of nine with horses, chickens, rabbits, the school mascot (a ram), plus a crow and squirrels was a wonderful treat. Excitement abounded there for me and Charlie was the ring master. His whole life was always an adventure. He was the center of his own family later in life and I know he will be sorely missed by all who knew him. Love to all, Artie!*

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**Arthur Beveridge** - March 07, 2024 at 08:47 AM

PK

“ Dear Carol and family:

Joanne and I are praying for you and praising God for Charlie and his life. The Lord used him to be a blessing to family and countless others, including the two of us. We lived in a home we owned on Broadway in Tivoli, It was in November or early December many years ago, when we were having freezing miserable weather. The sewer line from the house to the municipal sewer system collapsed shutting down sewage disposal from our home. Desperately we tried to find someone to do the repair. Some how, (the Lord's doing) we contacted Charlie. Though he was about to put his equipment and crew away for winter, he offered to do the job. The clay in Tivoli, coupled with the rain and freezing temps made the work extremely difficult, but the job was done. I anticipated being charged a few thousand dollars when I asked him the price. Charlie gave his service as a gift. In this world filled with selfishness and greed, Charlie stands out as an example of how God would have us caring for one another. May the Lord comfort and strengthen you all in your season of sorrow. Through faith in Christ we can look forward to spending eternity with the One who loved us and died for us. Love in Christ, Pastor John and Joanne Koppenaar, John 3: 16; John 14: 1-6; Ephesians 2: 8, 9



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Pastor John and Joanne Koppenaar - March 07, 2024 at 08:30 AM

GT

“ RIP Charlie, no doubt a kind soul and great man. Condolences to all his family.

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Guy Thibeault - March 06, 2024 at 09:17 PM

MB

“ Rest peacefully Mr. Lent. It was such a pleasure to get to know you over the years. You were one of the kindest, most patient and grateful men I had ever had the pleasure to work with.

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**Miranda Bower** - March 06, 2024 at 09:09 PM

LC

“ I am so glad I had the privilege of knowing Mr. Lent. I loved all of his stories. My heartfelt condolences to the family. 🌸. Lori Collins RN

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**Lori Collins** - March 06, 2024 at 08:32 PM

FF

Condolences to family, Charlie was a good man with a kind heart. He will be missed and is a true inspiration to all. God Bless all

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**Frank Papp & family** - March 07, 2024 at 10:22 AM

HA

“ We love you all and are so sorry for the loss of such a wonderful man. We will always treasure our own memories there with you and Uncle Charlie on the farm.

💙 Heidi and Brad Anderson

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**Heidi Anderson** - March 06, 2024 at 05:50 PM