



Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.

September 26, 1938 - September 6, 2024

Mr. Archie H. Chandler, Jr. passed away on September 6, 2024, at The Foothills Retirement Community in Easley, South Carolina.

A Celebration of Life for Archie will be held at 11 o'clock on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church, 4544 St. Charles Road, Bishopville, SC 29010, with The Reverend Michael Sorrell officiating. The family will receive friends in Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. The Directors of Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home of Bishopville, SC, are caring for the family.

Born in Florence, South Carolina, Archie was the son of the late Archie H. Chandler Sr. and the late Marie LaCoste Chandler. Archie attended Bishopville High School and Clemson University. He enjoyed working for Carolina Eastern, Inc. for over 40 years.

Archie was heavily involved with his church, Mt Zion Presbyterian, where he was a member for 74 years. Archie had many roles at the church, including serving as a Deacon, Elder, and Treasurer of the Mt. Zion Church and Cemetery Trust. He also had a passion for making sure that the church's history was recognized and preserved. He was instrumental in the restoration of the 125-year-old Session House of the church and having it recognized on the National Register of Historic Places. Archie was recently named as an

Elder Emeritus at the church for his many years of faithful service.

Archie also had a passion for his community in Lee County. He served on the Lee County Hospital Board, was a member of the Lee County Arts Council, The Clemson Alumni Association, and he served as President of the Matthew Singleton Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. He also served on the Board of Robert E. Lee Academy, the Board of the South Carolina Plant Society, and the Board of the Lee County United Way.

As a personal interest, Archie enjoyed being around the men and women at the Shaw Air Force Base. He served as a member of the Sumter/Shaw Community Relations Council. In 2007 The Chandler Deployment Center at Shaw Air Force Base was named for him and his wife for their 30 years of service to the men and women at the base. He enjoyed hosting many of the officers and enlisted men to dove shoots and quail hunts on his property.

Archie was an avid hunter and Clemson fan. You could always count on him to be looking forward to dove, deer, and quail season. He was known to be a great shot! He also loved Clemson and watching the ball games. Above all, Archie loved his family. Archie was known to be a Southern gentleman by all. He always showed hospitality to those around him and never met a stranger.

Archie is survived by his wife of 63 years, Anna Phillips Chandler; his son Archie "Trey" Chandler III (Norma) of Greenville, SC; and his grandchildren, Madeline Howard (Parker), Mary Gragg (Jacob), and Matthew Chandler; and his great-granddaughter Mary Charlotte Howard (Madeline and Parker).

Memorials may be made in Archie's name to Mount Zion Presbyterian Church, Don Mathis, Treasurer, 145 Coopers Mill Road, Bishopville, SC 29010.

The family wishes to thank the staff at The Bridge at Foothills Retirement

Community in Easley, SC, and Bathsheba Floyd for their loving care over the past year.

Cemetery Details

Mount Zion Presbyterian Church Cemetery

4544 Saint Charles Road
Bishopville, SC 29010

Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church
4544 St Charles Rd
Bishopville, SC 29010

Visitation following service in the fellowship hall.

Tribute Wall



“ Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.



Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home - September 12, 2024 at 05:09 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..



September 13, 2024 at 09:35 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..



September 13, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ Antonio Chebino planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..

Antonio Chebino - September 13, 2024 at 01:20 PM

SH

“ *Sugin and Blair Hansen purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..*



Sugin and Blair Hansen - September 12, 2024 at 02:29 PM

SH

“ *Sugin and Blair Hansen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..*

Sugin and Blair Hansen - September 12, 2024 at 02:29 PM

NH

“ *Norman And Iris Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*



Norman and Iris Hayes - September 11, 2024 at 01:27 PM

CC

“ Anna, Trey and Family,

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved Archie. He was a great man and a true Southern Gentleman through and through. He loved our family and I will never forget the time he took to go see my daughter play college soccer for Wingate University against Coker College. She was very touched by that and wanted me to convey that to you all. He made his mark on this world and will be greatly missed. Archie touched everyone he knew and met and left a special mark on the members of the military. He represented our family's Clemson heritage proudly. Above all, he was a good Christian and exemplary family man.

I can't say enough about all the good he did in this world. I can say that I am blessed to be a blood relative and proud to call him my cousin.

Please accept my most sincere condolences. I will see you Saturday.

Very Respectfully, Cousin, Colonel Matt Chandler, USA, Ret.

Col Matt Chandler - September 10, 2024 at 04:16 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..



September 10, 2024 at 02:16 PM

TF

“ *The Marshall Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..*

The Marshall Family - September 10, 2024 at 02:16 PM

FS

“ *May God bless and comfort you all. Archie was indeed, a true Southern gentleman and will be missed by all. Our prayers for Anna, Trey and all the family during this sad time. Fred and Dianne Sandy*

Fred and Dianne Sandy - September 09, 2024 at 03:49 PM

YG

“ *Yancey Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*



Yancey Green - September 09, 2024 at 03:39 PM

TB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Troy Brown - September 09, 2024 at 03:30 PM

RN

“ Sending much love and prayers during this time. May the grace of God be with you in the days ahead.
*Linda Elmore Nesbitt,
Ken and Randy*

Randall Nesbitt - September 09, 2024 at 01:40 PM

RH

“ *Ruthie Houser lit a candle in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*



Ruthie Houser - September 09, 2024 at 01:40 PM

SM

“ *Synovus - Sumter (Drake & Madeline) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..*



Synovus - Sumter (Drake & Madeline) - September 09, 2024 at 01:11 PM

CM

“ *Clara McElveenc lit a candle in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*

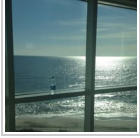


Clara McElveenc - September 09, 2024 at 12:16 PM

CM

Trey and family, so sorry to hear of the passing of you Dad, I have known him since he was a young boy. May God give comfort and peace to all. God Bless!

Clara McElveenc - September 09, 2024 at 12:19 PM



“ *Bill Stokes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*



Bill Stokes - September 09, 2024 at 11:55 AM

JB

“ *Jackie Buckner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*



Jackie Buckner - September 08, 2024 at 05:40 PM

RR

“ *Arch.... just a life long friend whose friendship I treasured greatly. Deepest sympathy Anna. He was the same today as he was yesterday..... Our circle of friends just seem to getting smaller and smaller..... "His eye is on the sparrow".....Rogers & Barbara Reynolds*

Rogers Reynolds - September 08, 2024 at 01:26 PM

AA

“ Archie And Kay Amerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.



Archie and Kay Amerson - September 08, 2024 at 01:02 PM

DO

“ Our condolences and prayers are sent with love, The Forest Evans Family

dolly - September 08, 2024 at 12:26 PM

CL

“ Carolina Eastern of Lynchburg purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr..



Carolina Eastern of Lynchburg - September 08, 2024 at 10:49 AM

CC

“ So sorry for your loss. Mr. Archie was a dear special man.

Cheryl O'Kelly Cole - September 08, 2024 at 05:33 AM

DS

Sharing love and prayers!!

Dorothy T. Smith - September 08, 2024 at 08:26 AM

MB

“ *Matt And Betsy Bramlett lit a candle in
memory of Mr. Archie Hortense Chandler Jr.*



Matt and Betsy Bramlett - September 07, 2024 at 09:29 PM