



## Rev. Charles E. Collins

January 12, 1949 - May 11, 2015

After 20 years of pastoral ministry, a career as a carpenter, and raising a family devoted to the Lord, Charles E. Collins has officially retired to his eternal benefit package. The retirement plan went into full effect on May 11, 2015 and was fully funded by his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Charles remains devoted to his wife of 43 years, Cathy Sisk Collins and eagerly anticipates their reunion in heaven. Until then, he will be reminiscing with the Holy Spirit about their years in ministry together, chatting with God about the joys of fatherhood, and making sawdust with Jesus in His woodworking shop.

He is survived by his wife Cathy of the home; daughter Rebekah Collins of Moore; two sons Wes Collins (Christy) of Charlotte, NC and Steve Collins (Jen) of Bostic, NC; four grandchildren, Molli, Emma, Mikel, and Amy; his father Edgar Collins, brothers Roy Collins and Earl Collins, and sister Laura Burnsed. He is reunited with his mother Laura Collins.

Funeral Services will be held 11:00 a.m. Thursday at The Wood Mortuary. A private burial will be held at M.J. "Dolly" Cooper Veterans Cemetery. Visitation will be held 9:30-10:45 a.m. Thursday at The Wood Mortuary. The family is at the home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to South Mountain Christian Camp, PO Box 9, Bostic NC 28018. Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## M.J. "Dolly" Cooper Veterans Cemetery

140 Inway Drive  
Anderson, SC 29621

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 14. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.  
300 West Poinsett Street  
Greer, SC 29650  
(864) 877-3351  
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

## Service

MAY 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL  
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# Tribute Wall

BF

“ *Cathy,Rebekah and family We are so sorry to hear of your loss.We pray God will give you the strength to face the days ahead.Cathy we will not be able to attend the service,Kenneth just got out of the hospital,he is still very weak.You and the family will be in our prayers.*

**Brenda Edmonds Forrester** - May 13, 2015 at 08:30 PM

CW

“ *Walter & Cynthia Maguire lit a candle in memory of Rev. Charles E. Collins our condolences and prayers for the family he was a Great Man*



**Cynthia & Walter** - May 13, 2015 at 05:40 PM

VS

“ *Victoria & Levi Sisk lit a candle in memory of Rev. Charles E. Collins*



**Victoria & Levi Sisk** - May 13, 2015 at 07:51 AM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. Charles E. Collins.*



May 12, 2015 at 10:42 PM

LS

“ I am so sorry for your loss, and for the world's loss but heaven has gained a great man. Cathy, I love you and thank you for all of the smiles you have brought to me. May God comfort and strengthen you!

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**Linda Schissler** - May 12, 2015 at 04:43 PM

SC

“ Cathy, it feels like you and Charles were part of our family and it still does. I think of all of the memories of Dad and Charles and their building adventures and smile. Dad told me long ago how he loved working with Charles, that he was quiet but when he had something to say it was important and he learned about God from him as they sat on roof tops eating sandwiches for lunch. You are my sister and friend despite my somewhat awkward ways, both of you showing the light of Christ. I had a conversation with Charles coming over to the house yesterday, wanting to know what it was like to be in the presence of the Lord and imagined his humble smile. As the song goes, I can only imagine what it will be like but Charles does not. He is worshiping the God he so diligently served here on earth. Each of you mirror the love and teaching of your parents. I pray God's blessing of comfort and peace that God has promised you during this time and send my love ~Sharon

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**Sharon Cooper** - May 12, 2015 at 10:49 AM

DH

“ Cathy, Rebekah and family. David and I are so sorry for your loss. The years we enjoyed worshiping together with you are fond memories. I'm praying for comfort in this time of loss and rejoicing with you that Charles has reached his life long goal. I can imagine him in the presence of Jesus rejoicing over such mercy and grace. Please know we love you and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers in the coming days.  
David and Debbie Hickman

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**Debbie Hickman** - May 12, 2015 at 09:26 AM

LM

“ When I was going through my divorce, Charlie would talk to me whenever I needed, he prayed for me and with me, gave me advice I really did not want, but knew it was right.  
I will miss him.

*Lynette Milburn*

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**Lynette Milburn** - May 12, 2015 at 09:19 AM

DM

“ It is a joyful day in heaven as they receive back one of their own..  
You will all be in my prayers. **\*\*HUGS\*\***

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**Daida McGrew** - May 12, 2015 at 08:13 AM



Rebekah  
Collins

“ 5 files added to the album *New Album Name* ”



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**Rebekah Collins** - May 12, 2015 at 06:59 AM

SC

“ When everyone said I was too small, he gave me confidence.  
When everyone said I was too weak, he taught me to lift weights.  
When everyone said I was supposed to rebel, he showed that he trusted me.  
When everyone said I was too young to go to Colorado for a summer, he let me follow my heart.  
When everyone said I was too poor for college, he taught me to have faith.  
When everyone said I was never going to have a career in camping, he encouraged me to go for it.  
When everyone said I was too young to get married, he spoke a blessing.  
When everyone said I was no preacher, he invited me to his pulpit.  
When everyone said I was supposed to be a "real" pastor, he broadened my horizons.

*My dad showed me how a husband truly loves his wife.  
My dad showed me how a father makes time for his kids.  
My dad showed me how a minister cares for his people.  
My dad showed me how a Christian lives a life of integrity.*

*There is no man on this planet who has influenced my life more than my father.  
I am the person I am today because of him.*

*Steve Collins*

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**Steve Collins** - May 12, 2015 at 06:40 AM