



Charles E. Karins

February 19, 1915 - December 13, 2010

Charles Edward Karins of Albany died Monday at St. Peter's Hospital with his family at his side. Mr. Karins was born in Albany, the son of the late Thomas and Mary Enos Karins. He was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy, The College of St. Rose, and Siena College where he earned an M.S. in Accounting.

He is survived by his loving nieces and nephews, Mrs. George M. (Sandra J.) Preston of Albany, their daughter, Mrs. Charles J. (Sandra L.) Monestere of Delmar; Thomas J. Articola, and his family of Latham; Mrs. Robert J. (Karin L.) Shepherd, their daughter, Heather M. Shepherd of Albany; Virginia Morrell of Loudonville, Norine Karins of Colonie, and James C. (Carolyn) Karins of Latham; sister-in-law Virginia Karins of Loudonville. He is also survived by several grand nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his sisters, Mary K. Porter, Norine K. White, and Margaret K. Articola, and by his brother, James T. Karins.

Mr. Karins was a veteran of World War II. He served his country proudly as a member of "The Greatest Generation" in the Army's Office of Strategic Services (OSS) in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater. He received the American Service Medal, the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Philippines Liberation Ribbon and the World War II Victory Medal.

He was employed as a supervisor for the U.S. Postal Service until his retirement.

He was a lifelong communicant of the former St. Teresa of Avila Church and a devout Catholic throughout his entire life.

He was an avid golfer, traveler, and sports enthusiast. He was a longtime Notre Dame and Boston Red Sox fan. He loved his Irish heritage and all things Irish. Uncle Charlie was the best uncle in the world.

Relatives and friends are invited to celebrate Charles's life at a Mass of Christian Burial, Saturday, December 18, 2010 at 9:00 A.M. at Mater Christi Church (formerly St. Catherine of Siena) Hopewell Street, Albany. Calling hours will be held privately for the family. Interment will be at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie. Memorial contributions in Charles's name may be made to the Memorial Fund at the Parish of Mater Christi, 40 Hopewell Street, Albany, NY 12208.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 18. 9:00 AM (ET)

Parish of Mater Christi
40 Hopewell Street (Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Way)
Albany, NY 12208

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Uncle Charlie,
Special birthday wishes to my wonderful Uncle Charlie! Wish you were here today to celebrate but I'm sure you are having a great celebration in heaven. I love you and miss you so much every day but especially on your birthday. Thank you for all the wonderful memories and thank you for all you did for everyone. You are so much more than my uncle and I will always treasure you in my life. Happy Heavenly Birthday!!

Your loving niece,
Karin

Karin - February 19 at 08:51 AM

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“ Dear Uncle Charlie,
It's another Christmas and the memories of all the Christmases we celebrated together come to mind. You had a special gentle, loving way of making our family perfect especially on Christmas. I know you are with baby Jesus who is surrounding you with His perfect love. I miss you and think of you with gratitude and love.
Love forever.
Your niece,
Sandy

Sandy - December 25, 2025 at 01:29 PM

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“ Dear Uncle Charlie,
Merry Christmas to my wonderful Uncle Charlie. Today I'm remembering you and every Christmas we celebrated with joy and happiness - especially the Christmas dinners that were so special. Now you celebrate with Jesus and our loved ones but you live in our hearts forever.
Love and miss you forever,
Karin

Karin - December 25, 2025 at 11:09 AM

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“ Dear Uncle Charlie,
You are remembered today in a special way and we are forever grateful for the endless love and support you gave us. Thank you for listening to me each day. I miss you and love you so much - you will always hold a special place in my heart.
Forever loved,
Karin



Karin - December 13, 2025 at 07:52 AM

SP

“ Dear Uncle Charlie,
Happy Father's Day to the most wonderful uncle ever. Thank you for everything you did for our family. I love you and miss you always.
Your niece,
Sandy

Sandy Preston - June 15, 2025 at 09:33 AM

SA

“ February 19, 2025
Happy Birthday, dear Uncle Charlie. I think of you often but especially on your birthday. I always remember how much you enjoyed celebrating with our family birthday parties. Wish you were here with us now.

*Love forever,
Sandy*

Sandy - February 19, 2025 at 06:22 PM

KA

“ *Uncle Charlie,
It's your 14th Anniversary and I love and miss you so much. I really miss our daily phone conversations and still talk and pray to you every day but you already know that. You always were and still are a wonderful presence in my life. I'll love you forever Uncle Charlie!*

*Love always,
Karin*

Karin - December 13, 2024 at 07:28 AM

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“ *Uncle Charlie,
I'm remembering you today in a special way. I miss you very much and am so grateful for everything you did for me throughout my life. I know that thirteen years ago God welcomed you home, smiled and said "Well done my faithful servant!" So rest in Heavenly peace dear Uncle Charlie. I'll love you forever.*

*Your loving niece,
Karin*

Karin Shepherd - December 13, 2023 at 12:15 PM



“ *Charles E. Karins*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Love you and miss you very much. Happy Birthday, my wonderful Uncle Charlie!*

*Your loving niece,
Karin*

Karin Shepherd - February 19, 2023 at 09:21 AM



“ *Dear Uncle Charlie,
Another Christmas without you. But I always remember all those wonderful Christmases we shared. They were always special just like you. I'll miss you forever.*

*Love,
Sandy*

Sandy Preston - December 25, 2022 at 10:04 PM



“ *Uncle Charlie,
I remember you today and every day with much love and happiness. I miss you and love you forever.*

*Your loving niece,
Karin*

Karin Shepherd - December 13, 2022 at 09:35 AM

KS

“ *Karin Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Charles E. Karins*



Karin Shepherd - February 19, 2022 at 01:44 PM

SP

“ *Happy Birthday, Uncle Charlie. Love you and miss you always.*

*Your Niece,
Sandy*

Sandra Preston - February 19, 2022 at 12:42 PM

KS

“ *Karin Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Charles E. Karins*



Karin Shepherd - February 19, 2022 at 07:26 AM

KS

“ Uncle Charlie,
Thinking of you in a special way on this special day. I love you very much and miss our wonderful visits and nightly phone chats. Thank you for everything and especially for being the BEST uncle ever. Happy Birthday in Heaven dear Uncle Charlie!!
Love you forever.

Your loving niece,
Karin

Karin Shepherd - February 19, 2022 at 07:25 AM

KS

“ Uncle Charlie,
You are so loved and so missed. You are such a wonderful uncle and always there for me in every way. We will all be together again someday. Love you forever.

Your loving niece,
Karin

Karin Shepherd - October 24, 2021 at 03:17 PM

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“ Karin Shepherd, Niece lit a candle in memory of Charles E. Karins



Karin Shepherd, niece - October 24, 2021 at 02:56 PM

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“ *Uncle Charlie,*

I love you and think about you always. You are forever in my heart.

*Your niece,
Sandy*

Sandra Preston - April 29, 2020 at 11:48 PM

KS

Uncle Charlie,

I think about you every day and thank you for being such a wonderful special person. You are and always will be so much more than an uncle to me. I love you forever and miss you so much.

*Your loving niece,
Karin*

Karin Shepherd - March 14, 2021 at 09:59 AM