



Charlie Hughes

May 23, 2013

Charles E. "Charlie" Hughes, 64, passed away at his Suffolk home on May 23, 2013. A native of Norfolk, Va., Charlie was a graduate of Norview High School 1967 and Calhoun School of Engineering in Maryland. He had a long, successful career in the marine industry, and was a retired chief engineer with the Merchant Marines, and most recently retired as a senior marine surveyor with the American Bureau of Shipping. Charlie was a member of Blackwater Baptist Church and Churchland Masonic Lodge # 276.

Charlie is survived by his wife of 40 years, Marie Spaugh Hughes; daughter, Donna Hughes Weingand Darryl; and son, Charles Edward Hughes Jr.; mother, Lena Virginia Hughes; brother, Irving E. Hughes Jr. Nancy; and four beautiful grandchildren: Noah 15, Meredith 11, Gillian 9 Weingand; and Cayden Hughes 9. He is predeceased by his father, Irving E. Hughes.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday in Loving Funeral Home, Churchland Chapel by Pastor Steve Bingham. Burial will be in Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens with Masonic Rites. The family will receive friends in the funeral home Sunday from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and suggest memorial contributors to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ Ann and I were shocked and saddened to hear of Charlie's passing. Charlie was cargo engineer on LNG Taurus in 1979 when we took the ship out from the building yard. I was a young 2nd Mate. He moved back to El Paso and then GasTrans, but we remained friends. He was a very good engineer and ship mate. Don McLendon will ring 8 bells on LNG Aquarius ship's bell, which is now a tradition when one of our former ETC ship mate's pass on. Marie, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Ann and Ed Carr##imported-begin##Ed Carr##imported-end##

August 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I was very saddened to read the notice of Charlie's passing in the recently received MEBA Marine Officer.

I was fortunate to have work with Charlie a few times when dry-docking Sealand vessels at Norshipco. Also sharing a few sea stories with Charlie at the CMES reunions. Charlie will be missed by all that knew him.

Fair winds and following seas during the great voyage to the distant shore we shall all embark upon one day.##imported-begin##Ernie Clements ##imported-end##

August 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Marie,
I just heard about Charlie through the latest issue of the MEBA paper. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. Some of my fondest memories are from sailing with Charlie on the Lash Italia and also the 2 Siamese cats we got from you guys. My thoughts are with you.
Tom###imported-begin###Tom Amundson###imported-end###

July 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Had Charlie assigned as my surveyor when I worked as Marine Supt. for several large jobs at Norshipco many years ago. He was a good man and a great surveyor and engineer. Very sorry to hear of his passing. Thoughts and prayers during this difficult time to his family.###imported-begin###Mike Sano###imported-end###

May 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ May God bless you and your family at this time. Sincerely, Kay and Joan

Please call me, I need your address. You can also email me.###imported-begin###Kay and Joan Dixon###imported-end###

May 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Truly sorry about losing Charlie. He was a good friend and I will definitely miss hanging out with hime. God bless.###imported-begin###Richard Lemmon###imported-end###

May 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ It was a chock to hear about Charlie’s passing, he was a great friend and colleague. I learned a lot from Charlie when we worked together at Norshipco. We had many lunches full of laughter and even though he was a man of few words we never missed a beat. I will cherish the memories I have of Charlie for a long time. My family and I send condolences to Marie, Donna, Charlie Jr. and the rest of the family. Our hearts are with you.##imported-begin##Frank Jacobsen##imported-end##

May 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ As i got to learn the ways of ship repair ,Charlie was always there to help me with the ways of the ABS surveys on the commercial ships. Charlie was a great person and friend.##imported-begin##Mary Brown Norshipco##imported-end##

May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I was blessed to have known and work with Charlie. He was a great teammate and a good friend. I missed working with him after my retirement, and I know ABS will miss his leadership and survey guidance. My God bless Marie, Charlie and Donna during this stressful time.##imported-begin##Bob Bryant##imported-end##

May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Charlie was a great Friend, Shipmate and a Wonderful Human Being. I worked with Charlie beginning in 1978 on the LNG project. During those early days Charlie always keep me well grounded with his humor and Engineering knowledge. Charlie and his family welcomed me and our Gastrans group as adopted family members as we moved to the Norfolk area! We all will miss Charles, as a Shipmate , Engineer and more importantly as a brother!!##imported-begin##Terence McCarthy##imported-end##

May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Marie, we are so sorry for the passing of your husband. We know how devoted you were to him. Condolences to you and your family.##imported-begin##Eveleen M. Oleinik, MD & Lester S. Johnson, MD##imported-end##

May 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked with Charlie for the past 17 years. When I first met him he was a man of few words, but as time went on, we would talk and laugh on a daily basis. He was always there for me at work, and I really missed him when he retired. I hope he has the job of marine surveyor in heaven, because he was the best. My prayers and thoughts go out to Marie and the family.##imported-begin##Anne McCrae##imported-end##

May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Heartfelt condolences to all of Charlies friends and family.I was fortunate enough to work with Charlie on an LNG vessel program as a merchant mariner. Charlie was a great shipmate with a one of a kind sense of humor, he will be sorely missed by all that knew and loved him.##imported-begin##John Chadwick##imported-end##

May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Charlie in 1979 in Gretna La we were both to be first engineers on LNG vessels.He was a good friend a good man and a darn good engineer. We spent a good part of 17 years working side by side including France and Newport News. There in Virginia I had the pleasure of meeting the rest of the family, Marie , Donna and Little Charlie. I was adopted by Charlie and his family and I will never forget their kindness and love. I always looked up to Charlie and now I can do it every day. I am sad and I will miss him always.##imported-begin##Bob MacLeod##imported-end##

May 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM