



Mr. Charles Henry Babcock

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Charles Henry Babcock, 82, of St. Clair, died peacefully at home on January 7, 2015. He is preceded by Nancy, his wife of 53 years, and survived by his six daughters, 21 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. He graduated from University of Detroit, and attended Detroit College of Law. He served in the Army Intelligence, stationed in Germany, before coming home and getting married. Along with his dad and brother, he grew C.W. Babcock and Sons into a successful building and development company headquartered in Grosse Pointe. He dedicated his life to service, participating in the Better Business Bureau, Lions Club of St. Clair, Lions Youth Exchange Program, Civil Air Patrol, Rotary Club of St. Clair and he was elected as St. Clair Township Supervisor. He always challenged his children to experience life, from city living (Grosse Pointe) to farm living (Croswell), from Northern Michigan to Southern Florida, up in the air (Pilot license) to under the sea (scuba diving), around the world (exchange students), to family cruises to Alaska. He will be missed, but his spirit will stay with us always.

Funeral services will be Saturday January 17th at 11:00 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, St. Clair. Visiting hours are Friday January 16th from 2:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Young Funeral Home, China Twp. and Saturday from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the church prior to service. Memorials are suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Habitat for Humanity or Florida Oceanographic Society. To leave a message of comfort please visit www.youngfuneralservices.com




Events

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Visitation

 **Friday**, January 16, 2015

 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET


 **Young Colonial Chapel Funeral Home, Inc.**
4061 Saint Clair Hwy, East China MI 48054

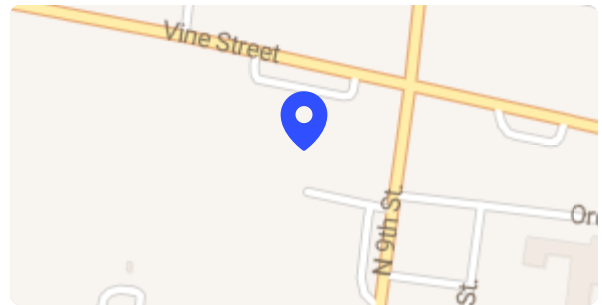


Service

 **Saturday**, January 17, 2015

 11:00 AM ET

 **Immanuel Lutheran Church**
415 N. Ninth, St.Clair MI





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GH

Garrett Higgins posted:

To the family of Mr. Charles Henry Babcock, I would just like to say how blessed each and every one of you all are to have such a good man in your lives. I personally did not have the pleasure of knowing Charles, but from what I hear about him from his Grandson and my best friend, Joshua, he must have been quite the loving person. It is sad, in some ways, that he has passed. Sad because you will all miss him very much, for all the wonderful things that made him who he was. But on the contrary, isn't it a beautiful thing for him to join his wife in heaven? He truly is in a better place, golden gates and all. Let us not be overcome with sadness, but with joy because of where Charles is now. God bless, and Rest In Peace Mr. Charles Henry Babcock, -Mr. Garrett Higgins

January 17 at 2:26 PM

GH

Garrett Higgins January 17 at 2:30 PM

Romans 8:18 "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us." R.I.P.

JG

Jerry Gannon posted:

Goodbye dear friend. Nancy and heaven are awaiting a very special person. Thanks for indulging us with your love. rest in peace dear Chuck. Joyce and Jerry gannon

January 17 at 4:27 AM

JM

John Mctevia posted:

Judy, Jim and Family - our sincere wishes for PEACE. Please know that you are ALL in our thoughts and PRAYERS. GOD's Blessings - John, Jenna & Maddy McTevia - Lilly (too) :)

January 16 at 7:15 AM



Anonymous sent a Splendid Orchids to the Babcock family.



January 16 at 6:32 AM



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Babcock family.

January 16 at 6:32 AM



Pat & Tom Carey -Avon, Ct sent an Exotic Grace to the Babcock family.

January 16 at 6:16 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Babcock family.

January 16 at 5:00 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Babcock family.

January 16 at 2:23 AM



Anonymous sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Babcock family.

January 15 at 9:49 AM



Trevor Kuston posted:

Today and always, may loving memories bring you and your family peace. -Trevor Kuston

January 15 at 8:49 AM



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Charles W. Babcock posted:

To my dear Babcock cousins and their families. Words can't begin to express my sorrow on the passing of your father. My "Uncle Chuck" Sharring the same name was a very special privilege for me. Beside being my Uncle, he was my Godfather, my son Charlie's Godfather, my Mentor, my Teacher and my Friend.. He was the giant who let me stand on his shoulders so that I could see farther. I remember some of his motivational sayings that he obviously lived by and I often thought of and I'm sure many you heard them before. "you can acheive anything you want in this life if you just put a little effort into it" emphasis on the word 'little" He sure proved that to be true. When asked about his successes in life he said "being successful has alot to do with luck and the harder he worked the luckier he got" The Patriarch of your family, the Uncle that cared and helped all his nieces and nephews .What a lucky successful human being to have Nancy and you six girls and your families. Its no wonder that you have acheived so much. WOW, he was so proud of you all. While he maybe gone from this earth he will never be forgotten Lots of Love, Chuck and Lynn Babcock family

January 15 at 5:19 AM



Dan And Lucy Keough sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Babcock family.



January 14 at 2:27 PM



Kathy Foley lit a candle in honor of Charles.



January 13 at 12:17 PM



Barbara Minto January 13 at 5:40 PM

Hi Kathy, thank you so much! love you, barb



Kathy Foley posted:

Barbara, Beverly, Shawn, Cindy, Jennifer and Judy, all our love to all of you and your entire family. I hope all your great memories of your dad will help you at this difficult time. We will always remember the Babcock's and all the memories growing up. Love you all, The Foley Family ..Mary, Sue, Martin Lou Anne, Kathy, Julia and Jennifer -

January 13 at 12:03 PM



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Holly Fortin sent a virtual gift in honor of Charles.



January 13 at 5:54 AM



Holly Fortin January 13 at 6:04 AM

Dear Chuck, we are keeping you and your entire Babcock family especially your mom and yourself in our thoughts with the passing of your grandpa. The love a grandparent gives is like an angel and you will always carry it through out your days. Love and hugs, The Fortin Family



Marypat Fody lit a candle in honor of Charles.



January 13 at 4:20 AM



Emily Fortin January 13 at 5:41 AM

Thank you so much Mimi for your thoughts. Love you!



Marypat Fody January 13 at 4:22 AM

Dear Chuck, I was so sorry to hear from Holly the loss of your grandpa. You and your mom & family our in my prayers. Mimi



Maylou C. Williams sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Babcock family.



January 12 at 1:55 PM



Gail Sager lit a candle in honor of Charles.



January 12 at 9:16 AM



Barb Minton January 13 at 3:37 AM

Gail, thank you and Dave so much, will try to call you shortly, I love and appreciate you guys!



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Babcock family.



January 12 at 7:58 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Babcock family.



January 12 at 5:28 AM



Lori Pope lit a candle in honor of Charles.



January 11 at 4:32 PM



Lori Pope January 11 at 4:36 PM

Dear Babcock Family, I have for almost 20 years loved your sister Barbara Minton, a beautiful an cherished angel. My prayers and thoughts have been with you all since the beginning of these hard times. The greatest gift that your parents have given you is each other. Blessings to you all as you hold on to each other and love one another through this time in your life. Prayers and Great Love and Joy for future.Love,Lori Pope



Annette Laurel lit a candle in honor of Charles.



Dearest Barb,My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you say good bye to your dad. Mom and Dad are together again and I know how much that meant to you!!'m sorry I was never able to meet them in person, but listening to you talk about them I felt like I did.God bless you and your family.Annette Laurel

January 11 at 4:28 PM



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Natalie Rose posted:

Wednesday, January 7, 2015 Grandpa have a draft started of December events. It has yet to be completed. Today's post is more important to write and complete. Today my Grandfather, Charles Henry Babcock, passed away. Today he entered heaven to be with the love of his life, my Grandmother, who passed away on October 7th 2010. Today's tears are filled with his memories. I cry because I will miss him. I cry for selfish reasons. I know that he is in a truly better place, one filled with joy and void of pain and discomfort. The Babcock Family celebrated our annual family Christmas this year on December 20th. It was a beautiful party and Grandpa was present in all his glory. We are so sincerely blessed to have had this last gathering with him. As we drove to St. Clair, I mentally told myself that I needed to get a picture of him and all the great grandchildren. It was a fleeting thought and one I did not get a chance to capitalize on. I'm mad at myself for this. My tears stream hot and steady of this lack of follow through. The hustle and bustle of 50+ family members to catch up with and enjoy overshadowed my want to take the picture. I look back and try to remember that I took very few pictures, as I was in the moment of the party, and not glued to my phone/camera. I talked with Grandpa, laughed with cousins, and looked on as Grandpa engaged with everyone, pride filling his entire body. The picture did not happen, but so many wonderful memories from that night did. This picture was taken by my someone and even though it isn't one with my children, it is a favorite of mine. My brother completely engaged with Grandpa! He had great relationships with all this grandchildren, always such sweet sentiments spoken and deep love felt. His genuine smile speaks volumes. In the background, Grandma's painting can be seen, as if she is looking on this beautiful scene. Grandpa was the Patriarch of an incredible family. Six amazing daughters in 7 1/2 years, 18 grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. The numbers are large, but it's the closeness of the family that is amazing. We are older now, but truth be told, no one had their smart phones out at Christmas, no one was plugged in, we were all present and loving each other. That was our family in general, always present and always with something to talk about, and laugh over. I could continue to write for hours, but my tears are fresh, and the loss is deep. I will write more after we say our official goodbye's at his funeral. For now I will pray for peace for my Mom and her sisters as they have to process this death of their Father. I will remember that Heaven is grand and he is most certainly enjoying his time, finally reunited with his Bride. Rest In Peace Grandpa. May you look down upon us all and feel much admiration for your life and love from us all. About Me My Photo Natalie Roehrig I am a stay-at-home Mom to a beautiful little girl, Noelle Rose, a handsome little boy, Maximilian (Max) Charles, our little angel, Violette Adelle, and our final handsome addition, Zane Michael. I try to be the best wife and mother that I can be and look for ways to improve on both. View my complete profile The Roehrig Family Chronicle Life with Dad, Mom, and four wonderful blessings.

January 9 at 5:37 AM



Barb Minton lit a candle in honor of Charles.



January 11 at 2:38 PM



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Lucy Keough posted:

To all my Babcock cousins and their families, I wish you happiness and peace as you remember your father, my Uncle Chuck. I recall the friendly hospitality always present at the Babcock house, making everyone welcome and feel like royalty! Your home was always full of life and love. Thank you for sharing with us, Uncle Chuck, your zest for life and that characteristic staccato-like laugh that was never more than a few minutes away. Working in the office many summers, I always marveled at the difference in personalities between Chuck and Jim. Yet there is an obvious thread of childlike enthusiasm in all the Babcock clan. Wonder and awe at learning and discovering new things, pranking our friends, laughing at our foibles and a general positive attitude make me proud to be part of this family. Thank you for teaching me generosity and hospitality and a zest for life and learning! Just a couple weeks ago, on December 28th, I asked my mother whose birthday it was; we couldn't recall. But it was buried in my memory somewhere that someone meaningful and important to us was born that day, just couldn't put my finger on it. Someone meaningful was born that day and though we weren't recently close, we are connected and the love light still burns in my heart for those that I have lost touch with due to busyness or time or distance... Whatever the lame excuse, I hope to make it up to you Uncle Chuck, with my heartfelt prayers for your eternal joy and peace in the loving arms of our Savior! Lucy Babcock Keough and family

January 11 at 12:33 PM



Barb Minton January 11 at 2:34 PM

Lucy, thank you so much, you are bringing that flood of Babcock memories back to me too, going swimming at your house, you teaching me the difference between the Beatles and the Monkey's, remember? My dad racing Chuck and Harry in the pool! All the Christmas parties with all the cousins.....so many! :0) He is with my mom, your dad, Aunt Margerat, and Grama and Grampa Babcock!



Pam Royko lit a candle in honor of Charles.

My deepest sympathy to all of the Babcock family. Barb loved both of her parents so deeply, I cannot even begin to imagine the feeling of loss. My heart goes out to all of you. Pam Royko

January 11 at 8:44 AM





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WL

Wendy Long lit a candle in honor of Charles.

Wendy Long has lit a candle in memory of Charles Babcock. I feel blessed to have heard countless stories from Barb about your incredible father who gave you so many priceless memories and gifts. Most importantly, his gift of being a great dad who taught you so much and led by example, whether it be through his love and devotion to your mother, mucking a stall, or painting a fence (and many other things). This is a time of sadness and loss, but I know (unfortunately through experience) you will have the timeless gift of cherished memories and laughter through the tears as you hold him in your heart forever.



January 11 at 8:36 AM

AJ

Andrea Jordan lit a candle in honor of Charles.

January 11 at 8:10 AM



PS

Paul Schragger lit a candle in honor of Charles.

January 11 at 8:09 AM



DS

David & Denise De Los Santos lit a candle in honor of Charles.

January 11 at 7:36 AM



DD

Denise Drach posted:

Dear Cindy, Tom and the entire Babcock family, sending thoughts and prayers while you celebrate your dad's life. May you find comfort in the wonderful stories of his life and legacy.

January 11 at 4:39 AM



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DD

Denise Drach lit a candle in honor of Charles.

January 11 at 4:32 AM



CM

Cindie Closs Meincke shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Sending love and prayers for the family. I am so glad we got to see him at the Babcock Reunion at Aunt Tony's. It was the last time I saw him and Aunt Margaret. Mom wishes she could be there, but it is really hard for her to travel these days. She wants you to know that she is thinking of your and all sending her love.

January 10 at 11:07 AM



DS

David Slis lit a candle in honor of Charles.

January 10 at 10:26 AM



KG

Karen Goins lit a candle in honor of Charles.

January 10 at 8:32 AM



RC

Ro Cazenave posted:

I never had the pleasure of meeting Mr Babcock, but feel like I did know him and Miss Nancy through all the beautiful stories about them told to me by Barb. To my sweet friend, Barb, her husband David, sons; Michael & Joshua, and all of the Babcock family and everyone who loved Charles, may God wrap His Comforting & Loving arms around you as you grieve for your Dad/grandfather/great grand father/ loved one and friend.

January 9 at 9:32 PM



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Lori Cornwell posted:

so for 2 years now I have had the pleasure of sharing time at least once a week with an amazing man. Every time I was at his house he would ask if there was anything I needed and if there was just to leave him a list. Well Mr. B here is my list: #1- I want you to dance through Heaven's gates and rejoice that you are there with your beautiful wife! Hug and kiss her and fall in love all over again! #2 - please guide and watch over those of your family that you leave behind, lift up their heavy hearts and help them to smile and laugh remembering all of the great things you have taught them and given to them! #3 - help all of us to carry on the great legacy of love and caring for others that you have shared with us -and by us I mean everyone that you have ever come in contact with! In the short time that I got to spend with you, I have learned so much about you and your family and have seen you share so much with those around you. I would like you to keep showing me and guiding me to care and love like you did! #4 - throw one hell of a party there in Heaven as you meet all of those that you have missed, who have been watching over you and missing you! Mr. B-there are many who will be shedding tears over the next few days for you, help us to make them happy tears knowing that we now have another guardian angel to watch over us!! I will miss you my friend and I hope you can help me with the list I really need!

January 9 at 5:45 PM



Lori Cornwell January 9 at 5:59 PM

I feel very honored that this wonderful family asked me to share what I posted on Facebook the day Mr. B went home to the Lord. I cleaned for Mr. B, but he never considered me the cleaning lady- I was always a part of his family!! and the list is something that was part of our routine- I would come in and say "Good Morning" (or afternoon whatever time of day it was) and he would reply, "How ya doing?" "Good" I would say, and he would always go to - "Well here's your money. Do you need anything?? Just leave me a list." My reply was always that I was all set and thank you. I don't think I ever left a list in the roughly 2 years I cleaned for him. I showed up on Weds to clean, but instead said a brief goodbye to myself and left knowing that would be the last time I saw him. I had 2 other cleaning jobs that day, and all I could think about was this picture of him and his wife dancing and his list, so that is why I decided to make a list for him. I have no doubt in my mind that he will complete every task on that list for me-he is just that kind of man! I will miss you Mr. B and I will be forever grateful for all that we have shared!!!



Susette Freeman posted:

Dearest Beverly and family, Mark and I are so sorry to hear of your loss. Your dad was such a great guy, and he has left such a wonderful legacy! I am sure it brings comfort to think of him and your mom reunited. You all will be in our thoughts and prayers. Much love, Susette

January 9 at 3:47 PM



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Sandee Facy posted:

Dearest Judy and entire Babcock family, Sending our heartfelt condolences from Australia to you all. We wish we could be with you as you have been for us. I had the privilege to know both of your kind and loving parents and knowing they are reunited is so lovely. Please take care during this time and know you are loved so by many...God's blessings Love Pete, Sandee, Claudia and Ally

January 9 at 1:11 PM



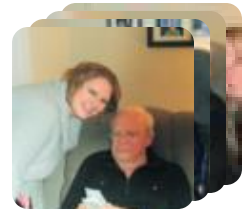
Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Babcock family.



January 9 at 12:11 PM



Barb Minton shared an album called **New Album Name**.



January 9 at 5:37 AM



Ken Goodhue posted:

January 9 at 5:37 AM



Cindie Closs Meincke shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

January 10 at 11:07 AM

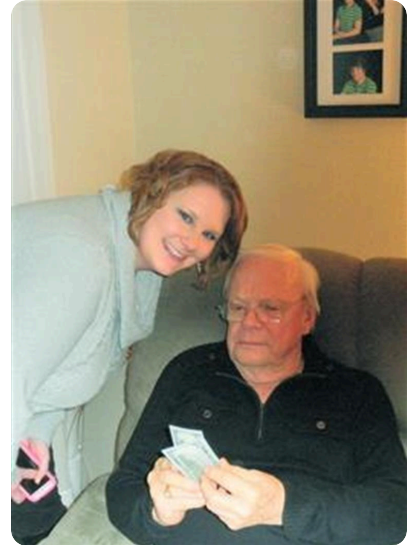
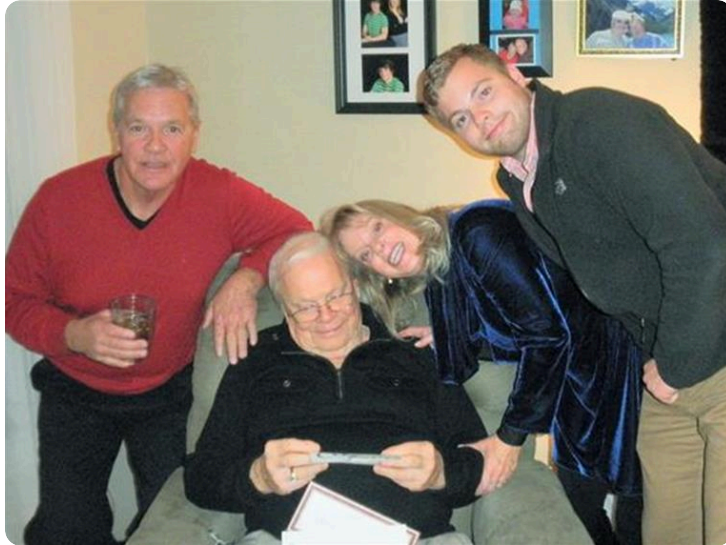


Margaret Babcock Murphy, Chuck Babcock, and Mary Courtney 2012



Barb Minton shared 10 photos to the **New Album Name** album.

January 9 at 6:05 AM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Charles by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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