



Charles Fredrick Pesnell

October 2, 1967 - December 11, 2023

Charles F. Pesnell, 56, of Centreville, MD died unexpectedly on December 11 2023.

Charley was born in Bakersfield, CA on October 2, 1967. He was lovingly adopted by Sam and Anna Pesnell and grew up in Big Springs, TX.

In 1990, Charley entered the US Army in El Paso, TX. He was soon stationed in Fort Meade, where he met the love of his life, Maria. They married in 1993 and recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. He retired to the rank of Sergeant 1st Class in 2011 in Hawaii. After retirement, he was employed to Afghanistan to support Operation Enduring Freedom. He then returned back home to Maria and was employed by the Navy as a Federal Employee. Charley contributed his time and talents helping the church. He achieved the honors of Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus. In his spare time, Charley enjoyed hanging out with friends and family, riding his Harley, traveling, boating, and going camping.

Charley and Maria spent their lives surrounded by family and friends in Maryland and Texas. Charley is survived by wife Maria; his fur babies Reggie and Luna; his best friend Jim and wife Melissa; his siblings Michelle, Ray, and Steven; step children Edward and wife Kim, Jim and wife Larissa, Mary and husband Jessie, Michael and wife Megan, Liz and husband Qazi;

grandchildren Josh, Brent, Tristan, Annie, Noah, Gabby, Lilly, Evie, Hunter, Gabriel, Drew, Ty, Jack, Aidan, Mason, and Iman.

The visitation will be held on Sunday, December 17, 2023 at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, 408 South Liberty Street, Centreville, MD, where friends and family may visit from 2-4 pm. The funeral mass will be held Monday, December 18, 2023 at 10:30 am at St. Benedict Catholic Church, 408 Central Ave., Ridgley, MD. There will be a visitation prior to the mass at 9:15 am. Burial will be held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 1:00 pm at Crownsville Veterans Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in his name to the Knights of Columbus. <https://www.kofc.org/en/donate/index.html>

Cemetery Details

Crownsville Veterans Cemetery

Crownsville, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 17. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
408 S. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Visitation

DEC 18. 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM (ET)

St. Benedict Catholic Church
408 Central Ave.
Ridgely, MD 21660

Funeral Service

DEC 18. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Benedict Catholic Church
408 Central Ave.
Ridgely, MD 21660

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles Fredrick Pesnell*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - December 14, 2023 at 03:13 PM

FW

I am loving you forever and that smile shines bright in heaven with such joyful reunions. Until we meet again, I hold you in my heart.

Freda Webster - December 16, 2023 at 09:51 AM

PM

My Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to Maria & Family

Patricia McDowell - December 17, 2023 at 09:35 AM

MS

“ *I worked with Mr. Pesnell as part of Equipment at NCMS. He was dedicated to his work and though he pushed us sailors hard, he was always professional, fair, and respectful. I have fond memories of swapping stories during breaks, and talking with him about our respective times in Hawaii. He was an easygoing gentleman and he will be missed. Peace, love, and light to you and your family, Mr. Pesnell.*

- Madeline Smith (IT3 Jackson)

Madeline Smith - December 22, 2023 at 12:09 AM

RL

“ 1 file added to the album Charley



Roger L'Heureux - December 17, 2023 at 07:12 AM

MA

“ Maria sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles Fredrick Pesnell



Maria - December 16, 2023 at 09:57 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.



December 16, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.



December 15, 2023 at 06:05 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*



December 15, 2023 at 05:44 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*



December 15, 2023 at 08:44 AM



“ *I'm stunned by the news! Mr. Pesnell was a Great person to work with and enjoyed talking to him. He was my go-to guy at NCMS for my account. My thoughts and prayers are with his Family and NCMS during this difficult time of grief. Sending hugs to all! R.I.P. Charles Pesnell!!*

Mary Copsey - December 15, 2023 at 08:04 AM



“ *Charley was my go to at NCMS. He was always ready to provide advice and assistance when needed and was a joy to work with. He will be greatly missed. Prayers to the family during this difficult time.*

Deanna Peabody - December 14, 2023 at 09:32 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*



December 14, 2023 at 08:28 AM



“ *From: Hickey Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*

Hickey Family - December 14, 2023 at 08:28 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*



December 13, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ *- CMIO Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*

- CMIO Family - December 13, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ *You will be missed, Love and Prays from Lorna Conard and family.*

Allen H. Wilkins - December 13, 2023 at 01:13 PM

NS

“ *Naval Communication Material System purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Charles Fredrick Pesnell.*



Naval Communication Material System - December 13, 2023
at 10:10 AM

HE

“ *2 files added to the album Charley*



Howie E. - December 12, 2023 at 08:44 PM

MC

“ *Charley was always so easy to work with. Anytime we had a problem, he would gladly help us out and ensure we were taken care of. He was always extremely polite and professional in every instance. He will be sorely missed. My condolences and prayers are with his family and friends.*

Mike Cashmere - December 12, 2023 at 12:59 PM

HE

Charley was a true professional, who did an outstanding job taking care of the submarine force and the entire Navy, and he will be truly missed! Our thoughts and prayers are with his entire family during this time of loss.

Howie E. - December 12, 2023 at 02:07 PM

BH

Charley was great to work with and I always enjoyed talking with him. It's hard to believe that he is gone. My heart goes out to his family during this trying time. May you be comforted by the good memories you have.

Bryan Haines - December 12, 2023 at 02:25 PM

OZ

Never personally met Charles but interacted with him on email and phone for 10+ years. Will be truly missed. My condolences to his family.

O. Z. - December 12, 2023 at 02:37 PM

TD

I've had the pleasure of working with Charley for well over a decade. A good man gone too soon. Rest in peace my friend.

Timothy Dunn - December 12, 2023 at 02:45 PM

KM

*I really enjoyed working with Charley. He was pleasant to interact with, and always came through to take care of our Navy Fleet requirements. I am truly saddened to learn of his passing. May cherished memories help ease the hearts of his family. We are praying for comfort and peace during this difficult time. May God Bless and keep you!
Kyra McCoy*

Kyra McCoy - December 12, 2023 at 02:45 PM

MI

*i really enjoyed working with Charley and was always helping me out when i needed....His family is in my prayers
M.A.WATSON*

Millie - December 12, 2023 at 02:57 PM

MY

Good man. Always helpful and insightful. Helped when ever I asked. For as long as I've been in the Comsec world, he's been a staple to the community. He will be missed.

Michael Yante - December 12, 2023 at 03:16 PM

AD

I had the pleasure of working alongside Charley since day one. We were tied at the hip. What I'm going to miss the most is our weekly phone calls to or from work talking about almost anything but work. Rest in peace my friend.

- Memory Eternal.

Antonino Drago - December 12, 2023 at 03:57 PM

TB

I really enjoyed working with Charley, Anytime I needed his help supporting the Fleet he ALWAYS came though. There was never a time and I do mean NEVER a time I wanted or needed something from him, I got it. Sir You will be missed dearly. May God gives your Family the Strength that they need in this time and times to come. Rest in Peace!!!

Tony Barton - December 12, 2023 at 05:48 PM

SK

Sending my condolences to Charley's family. He was a pleasure to work with and talk to. He will be missed. Rest in peace!

Stephanie Koontz - December 12, 2023 at 10:45 PM

CH

Sending my deepest sympathy and condolences to Charley's family and friends. He will be missed.

Christina - December 13, 2023 at 06:54 AM

MB

Charley, may you rest in peace. My deepest condolences to his family. You will be truly missed. He always made really hard stuff easy.

Mike Bell - December 13, 2023 at 07:25 AM

CG

I spent many years working with Charles, hw would jokingly say "What is it now Mr. Golden" . But he always gave the best advice and assistance. He will be truly missed. May God watch over his family in their time of need.

Charles W. Golden - December 13, 2023 at 10:36 AM

RS

What can I say about Mr. Pesnell? Well, to start, he was a great guy with a nice personality. Working in the career field with him was a pleasure. If you called him or emailed him for help, he was always willing to lend a hand to get the task completed. Someone I saw as expert in the career field. He will be missed. My prayers are with the family through their time of bereavement. May God's strength gets you through this loss.

Ralph Smith - December 13, 2023 at 03:16 PM

SD

I've had the pleasure of working with Charley while I was on active duty and on the CIV side for many years. Charley was a great man and colleague, gone too soon. Rest easy my friend.

Sean Donohoe - December 14, 2023 at 10:39 AM

WM

Charley was a consummate professional with whom I engaged with through countless emails and phone calls. He was always willing to help. My sincerest condolences to his family and to his NCMS family. He will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace!

Wayne Mincey - December 14, 2023 at 04:29 PM

RL

He was a good friend. I loved chatting with him and Reggie. He used to take great joy, roaring up on me in my food truck and blasting me with the freaking horn he had installed on his truck. Scared the crap out of me every damn time. I always appreciated him coming to my restaurant. I knew his expectation of food was top shelf and I was always really pleased when he would compliment my cooking. He would bring me all his latest toys to admire. He knew i loved to see his latest crazy thing! I have to admit the command center truck was my favorite. I am truly saddened by his passing. He was way to young.

Roger L'Heureux - December 17, 2023 at 06:17 AM

SM

Sending my condolences to Charley's family. He was a pleasure to work with and talk to. He will be missed. Rest in peace!

Steven Miller - December 18, 2023 at 09:45 AM

JB

Shocked and saddened to hear of Charley's loss. My sincere condolences to Charley's family. He served his country honorably in and out of uniform. He was the consummate professional and recognized Navy-wide as NCMS' "GO-TO GUY". He will be sorely missed.

John B - December 18, 2023 at 12:32 PM

RH

My condolences to Pesnell family. It was always a pleasure to talk with Charley, he was always there for me whenever I called with a COMSEC question. He will be missed. Rest in well.

Rodney Hollis - December 18, 2023 at 02:07 PM