



Charles Hubbard

September 30, 1917 - June 4, 2011

CHARLES HUBBARD, MUSIC TEACHER, 93 The two things that Charles Hubbard loved the most were music and teaching kids. In his thirty five years as a band teacher and Music Department Chair at H. Frank Carey High School in Franklin Square, New York, he taught hundreds of students, many of whom went on to become professional musicians. He was unfailingly patient, calm and encouraging. He gave his students a chance to shine, putting on musicals at the school every year, and forming a select jazz group, The Dixie Land Jazz Band. Mr. Hubbard taught his three daughters to sing as a trio from the time when they were ages three, five and six. The Hubbard Sisters sang with the Dixie Land Jazz Band in the New York Pavillion of the 1964 World's Fair, and on the TV show Wonderama, among others. In 1946, Mr. Hubbard was one a small group of Huntington musicians who founded the Huntington Community Band, which still exists today. For many years he was a clarinetist in the band, as well as the Librarian and Assistant Conductor. In fifty-five years he never missed a single concert. On weekends Mr. Hubbard "moonlighted" as a club date musician, playing saxophone, clarinet and flute, and usually serving as the emcee, where his genial personality and dry wit put everybody at ease. Charles Hubbard was born in Maysville, Kentucky on September 30th, 1917. His parents owned a movie theatre, where his father, T. Neal, played piano for the silent movies and his mother, Lillian, sang while the reels were being changed. Among those who performed on stage there was the Hubbards' next door neighbor, Rosemary

Clooney. Mr. Hubbard received a Bachelors Degree from Transylvania University, where he majored in journalism and was the Editor in Chief of the School newspaper. He went on to Columbia Teacher's College in New York City, where he received a Masters in Music Education. Like many young men of his generation, Mr. Hubbard enlisted in the army during World War II. He was stationed in the Philippine Islands, where he Was a second lieutenant. Not surprisingly, he became the leader of a band called Three Stripes and a Bar. There he met Ethel Licari, a young Red Cross volunteer from Huntington, who was putting together entertainment for the wounded troops. They were married for sixty one years, until her death in 2007. Mr. Hubbard died of complications from dementia on June 4th. He is survived by his three daughters, Lora Kuykendall of Holbrook, NY, Alison Hubbard of Huntington, and Janice Lindsay of Camarillo, Ca., and his three grandchildren, Emily Landsman, Leland Kuykendall, and Cooper Lindsay. Services will be held on Saturday, June 11, 2011, at Jacobsen Funeral Home, 1380 New York Avenue, Huntington Station, NY. Friends and family may start to gather at 9:00 AM with the service beginning at 10:00. In lieu of flowers, kindly give donations in Mr. Hubbard's name to The Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice of Suffolk, Inc.

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Hubbard*

November 27, 2022 at 05:33 PM



“ *He was my music teacher at Carey in the late 60's and early 70's. Enjoyed playing under his watchful eye, such a nice personality.*

Russ Maida - January 30, 2018 at 01:01 PM



“ *He was a great friend, teacher, mentor and musician. He offered encouragement to many fledgling musicians and will be remembered fondly.*

Debby Clark dugan - June 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Lora, Ali and Janice--I am so sorry to read that your Dad has passed. He will always be remembered by me as he was instrumental in my becoming a musician, and even more so, in becoming the person I am today.I never pick up my drumsticks without thinking of him.I often relate stories about high school to my own students, and of course, those stories include your Dad.I fondly remember playing "gigs" with him while still in high school....working in a wedding band and at other events. I would call him "Mr. Hubbard" and he would say, "No, call me Chuck." Then in school, I would call him "Chuck" and he would say, "No, now call me Mr.Hubbard." We enjoyed that silly little banter.He believed in me and that belief allowed me to carry forth in some trying times.I remember all the musicals we played in together-all because of your Dad---a lot of wonderful and lasting memories.His role in my life will always be cherished by me.Love to all of you at this sad time,Mary Merlopercussionist

Mary Merlo - June 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sympathy to the whole family on your Dad's passing. I hope all the happy memories will soon overshadow this time of grief. Your dad was a wonderful man! Lynn Menzies

Lynn Binder Menzies - June 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Charles E. Hubbard.

June 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Alison and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your time of sorrow. May all the good memories of your father bring you comfort.* david wilde

david wilde - June 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM