



## Charles Francis Lipp

November 25, 1938 - April 20, 2022

Charles Francis Lipp, of Halesite, sadly passed away April 20, 2022 at the age of 83. Beloved husband of Ingeborg. Loving father of Mia (William) Lipp and Charles (Maria) Lipp. Cherished grandfather of Caitlin, Deirdre and Briony.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **24**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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1380 New York Avenue  
Huntington Station, NY 11746  
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## Visitation

APR **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

APR **25**. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Patrick R.C. Church  
400 West Main Street  
Huntington, NY 11743

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Francis Lipp*

November 27, 2022 at 05:33 PM



“ *My fondest memory of Mr. Lipp is when he told me, “I had a very unique interpretation of Shakespeare.” His English classes were my favorite and he inspired me to write poetry. May he Rest In Peace.*

**Muchele Larocca** - April 29, 2022 at 03:42 PM



“ *With great sadness I would like to send my condolences to Charlie’s family. The whole family was so very affectionate and friendly that the group of friends they always made me feel so welcome since I arrived from Bolivia. My late husband and I always felt as part of a very loving family. My love and remembrance will always be with them.*

*Marciana Vivado de Kahl*

*La paz, Bolivia*

**Marciana Vivado de Kahl** - April 25, 2022 at 02:26 PM

MG

“ *Mr. Lipp,  
Some 30 years ago when I was a new  
teacher here at Island Trees, I can never  
forget the kindness you showed toward me. I  
remember all the loving stories you told me  
when I was a young mother, about being home with your children  
over the summer and reassured me that I would find it a blessing. I  
can also remember how you bought me a special anonymous  
present for my wedding as I was gushing over it so much. You were  
a gentle giant, an Icon. I am so sorry to hear of your passing. I will  
forever be grateful and you will always live on in my heart. May the  
memories that your families has of you carry them through this time.*



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**Maria Gribbin** - April 25, 2022 at 07:53 AM

SL

“ *I was honored to work with Charlie- he was a true scholar and  
gentleman. My sincere condolences to his family.*

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**Susan Lyons** - April 24, 2022 at 08:54 PM

SO

“ *The first time I saw Charlie, I was a new elementary music teacher at Island Trees that was playing keyboard in the pit orchestra for the HS production of Lil' Abner, and he was acting in the show. I was amazed by his incredible acting, and how he did not break character the entire time he was on stage. I learned that he was a HS English teacher and I immediately thought that if he was this good at acting on stage, how amazing he must be in the classroom as an English teacher bringing literature to life for his English students! A couple of years later I was teaching in the HS, and had the privilege of being a building colleague of Charlie's and had the privilege of working with him in more HS musical productions such as Gypsy and Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Charlie was a pillar in our school community who we all looked up to and learned from. He will be missed greatly, and his incredible legacy will live on in our hearts.*

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**Susan Oliveto** - April 24, 2022 at 04:56 PM

LC

“ *I worked with Charlie in the English Department and am so sad to hear of his passing. He was a beloved member of the department and I have missed him since he retired. My condolences to all of you. You would be so proud of how respected Charlie was at Island Trees.*

*Lori Christensen*

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**Lori Christensen** - April 24, 2022 at 12:25 PM

VM

“ Charlie was a quietly grand man. Brilliant in conversation and immovable in principles of Life. We were once brothers-in-law and continued after his sister and my divorce to be the same brothers-in-law as before. I got to speak with him last about a month ago. He valued family and the very principles of Life that keep us all going. He could be hysterically funny with an easy-going Stand-up Comic demeanor.

He was always fair but precise - looking to find what exactly was the import of a moment, a word, an act. Charlie stood astride his times because he observed daily the ineffable of Life with everyone who presented before him. Because I found along our years together that he was today as he was yesterday and would be tomorrow, I grew to love him. Today I only wish my children and grandchildren had more time with him.

I expect to see him in a world far more just and pleasant than this one. I don't expect he will be any different than he was here. There would be no reason for him to change to be there. He was a man of unique grace ... vito mussomeli

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**Vito Mussomeli** - April 24, 2022 at 11:59 AM

BH

“ Brian Higgins lit a candle in memory of Charles Francis Lipp



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**Brian Higgins** - April 24, 2022 at 10:02 AM

LB

“ *In a time of groundlessness in my life, Mr. Lipp’s class was a steady force, for which I wasn’t able to be adequately grateful at the time. Thinking back, what I remember best is how he respected his students enough to argue with us, to challenge us, and to believe in our capacities beyond what we could see for ourselves at the time. It was incredibly powerful to be truly taken seriously by an adult, and rare in my high school experience. His classroom was demanding, but never without humor and a kind of boundless curiosity. As good academics do, he taught me that opinions should not be held unless they have a backbone. Whether you loved or hated something didn’t matter, the “why” was the thing. His care, encouragement, and (at times scathing!) edits made me a writer. I am so grateful to have learned from him. Sending love to his family as they navigate this loss, I hope there is some comfort in knowing how deeply he impacted so many.*

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**Lisa Barroca** - April 24, 2022 at 09:33 AM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Charles Francis Lipp.*



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April 23, 2022 at 10:31 PM

JN

“ I had Mr. Lipp for English in 2004-2005, and my father (and uncle) had him in the early 70s. He remembered my father distinctly, and had a definite impact on him. I loved Mr. Lipp's classes and his sarcastic sense of humor. He really made people check their egos and challenged their thinking. I still reflect on lessons he gave, and always admired his passion and energy. He was old-school in the best way possible. On senior cut day he gave a quiz during his (fourth period?) class with a single question: "What color is my tie?" One lesson that stands out was when he taught *The Great Gatsby*, which he clearly loved, and his love made me love it too. He presented us with two versions of a scene -- an older version, and the published version -- then challenged us to think about why Fitzgerald had made changes/decisions about his language and how it improves upon the final work. As an aspiring writer this is perhaps the most important lesson I've ever learned -- how to think about storytelling, how to choose words deliberately and infuse meaning in every sentence. He and I exchanged thoughts (sometimes argued) about different books, and I convinced him to read a few of my favorite recent novels. In my yearbook, he wrote "P.S. I will borrow "Fight Club" from the library at the end of June, and next year -- I'll give my opinion of the film we had to skip in the AP Class." Thank you so much for all that you've done and contributed -- you've enriched the lives of multiple generations of students and will remain in the memories of many.

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Justine Napodano - April 23, 2022 at 04:48 PM

NA

“ I had Mr. Lipp as a senior in 1988. He was the perfect teacher for my best friend and I. He knew when to give us latitude as seniors, and when to reign us in when we got too raucous. He definitely let us know that he liked teaching us, which made all the difference. We still talk about his awesomely dry sense of humor, and the looks he would give us when he disapproved of something we had done. He was by far, our favorite teacher. Thank you and Rest In Peace Mr. Lipp.

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**Nancy** - April 23, 2022 at 01:29 PM

SJ

“ I had the privilege of being Mr. Lipp's student in high school. He always had something interesting to share with us, and I admired his quick wit and sense of humor. He was a treasure, and we were lucky to have had him as a teacher. My condolences to his family. May he rest in peace.

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**Stephanie J** - April 22, 2022 at 09:25 PM

KB

I had Mr Lipp back in the late 60's. He was one of my favorite teachers. I remember he too the words to a Beatle song and spoke of the poetry in it. I do not remember all my old teachers but He will always stand out as a very special one who will always stand out. My sympathy to all his family and friends may He RIP

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**Kathy Hooper Blyman** - April 22, 2022 at 09:30 PM

MG

“ I graduated from Island Trees High School, Class of 1971. Although I can't remember actually having Mr Lipp for a teacher, I do remember him well. I can picture his face and being thin and quite tall (of course I'm only 5'1/2"). I remember him always being friendly and soft spoken. May he rest in Peace. He has made many at Island Trees much more than imaginable. He was a valuable asset to the school.

Marcy Grosser-Scott - April 22, 2022 at 07:53 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Francis Lipp.



April 22, 2022 at 06:18 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Francis Lipp.



April 22, 2022 at 06:06 PM

CD

“ Cynthia Shor, Executive Director purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Charles Francis Lipp.



Cynthia Shor, Executive Director - April 22, 2022 at 12:19 PM

SW

“ *Mr Lipp was such a wonderful teacher and person! My family of 6 either had him as a teacher or knew him. He was so kind and talented with a great smile and warmth. RIP!*  
*Susan Yearsley class 1973 ITHS*

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**susan willie** - April 21, 2022 at 10:49 PM

DA

*I loved me lipp I'm 63 and everyday when I teach my grandchildren the proper English I always on my thoughts thank Mr loop I was horrid but he had the patience and the belief in me for 3 yrs I had him... He will always be in my ❤️ heart..😭*

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**Donna assino** - April 22, 2022 at 09:06 AM

CK

*I graduated from Island Trees and for a time worked there. Mr. Lipp was soft spoken and much admired. Godspeed and praying for the family*

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**Carol Carrozza Kenngott** - April 23, 2022 at 01:47 AM

BK


“ *I had Mr. Lipp for English 11. He challenged us to think; a memory of the story “Tea and Sympathy” evokes a strong memory. I also remember his voice, which could be so quiet. Please accept my sincere condolences for your family’s loss. Mr. Lipp positively impacted many students.*

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**Beverly Klimkowsky** - April 21, 2022 at 10:43 PM

LG

“ *I had Mr. Lipp my senior year. A great teacher. I have very fond memories of his class. My deepest condolences to his family. Lori-Gonzalez-Birnbach class of 1984*

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**Lori Gonzalez-Birnbach** - April 21, 2022 at 08:23 PM

  
Brianne  
Mary

“ *Though I didn't have the opportunity to be in any of his classes, I enjoyed every interaction I had with him. His unique personality got to shine during Drama Club, and I was thrilled to be a part of the productions with him. Sending condolences to his family and all who were touched by his life. May he Rest In Peace.*

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**Brianne Mary** - April 21, 2022 at 08:06 PM

TB

“ *Even though I never had Mr. Lipp as a teacher, he did do much for the Baierlein family. RIP Mr. Lipp. You are truly one of three good ones.*

*Tom Baierlein*

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**Tom Baierlein** - April 21, 2022 at 06:07 PM

JL

“ *Rest In Peace, Charlie. You were always good for a laugh during a dept meeting. Island Trees was lucky to have you.*



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**jlein** - April 21, 2022 at 04:44 PM

JT

“ *Charlie was a dear friend of mine. We spent many rides together going to New York City. He always had story about his teaching carer. Basically, he was a very kind man. I will surely miss my friend.*

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**joe thamm** - April 21, 2022 at 03:55 PM

IR

“ I am the tour guide supervisor of the Walt Whitman Birthplace .When I first started working here I met Charles . He was so kind and helpful teaching me the ins and outs of being a tour guide. He loved doing the tours for the school children and they loved him. I am one of the few people still here that had the pleasure of working with him. He was a wonderful volunteer who was always willing to help out. I have to work Sunday or I would be there to pay my respects  
My condolences  
Iris Jumper

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iris - April 21, 2022 at 03:21 PM

SF

“ Mr. Lipp, with his tall, lanky, "zoot-suited" look, was the best English teacher I ever had. He brought every story to life. To this day when I hear, read, or see anything related to Les Miserable, I think of him. He made a great Jean Valjean and inspired me so that I ultimately followed in his footsteps. Condolences to the family. May his name be used for a blessing.

Sue Feltman  
Class of '75

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Sue Feltman - April 21, 2022 at 03:16 PM

MM

“ I'm from class of '71, so he was a young guy then. He would read to us, which was better than us reading. He acted out the story with his voice, which I enjoyed. One morning, perhaps before we were fully awake, he was reading "A tree grows in brooklyn". The opening line "Hello MARY!"...he belted it across the room, scared the daylight out of us. Mr. Lipp was a good teacher and interesting guy. It's been 52 years and I still recall, so that's quite impressive. Rest in peace sir, you did very well.

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**Mark La Mantia** - April 21, 2022 at 02:37 PM

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“ I will never forget you in “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat”! You were a wonderful teacher and fantastic person. You will be missed❤️



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**Dana Gatterdam (Carr)** - April 21, 2022 at 01:53 PM

KR

“ Mr. Lipp was the best English teacher I have ever had. I'll always remember his creativity and his performances in the school plays. He will be sorely missed.

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**Kristen Romanelli** - April 21, 2022 at 01:47 PM

SP

“ Mr. Lipp was an excellent educator and funny man. He left such a lasting impact on my academic career from the two years I had him at Island Trees! He will be sorely missed 😞

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**Samantha Pando** - April 21, 2022 at 01:40 PM

DS

“ So sorry for your loss. Mr. Lipp was my English and Geometry teacher in 1978/79. Throughout high school he was a teacher you could talk to anytime. I have fond memories of him. Know that he was a fun teacher who is thought of fondly. Darlene Sanford

Darlene Sanford - April 21, 2022 at 01:00 PM

ML

“ So sorry to hear of Mr. Lipp’s passing. His love of literature knew no bounds, he was an excellent teacher. May his memory be a blessing. Island Trees HS ‘72

Marcy Lawrence - April 21, 2022 at 12:39 PM

 Michelle Llorente

“ Mr. Lipp was such a memorable teacher - truly one of a kind. His passion for teaching shined through and he made such a positive impact in the lives of his students. It was an honor to learn from a teacher with a wealth of knowledge. May he rest his peace.

Michelle Llorente - April 21, 2022 at 12:19 PM



“ Mr. Lipp was one of my all-time favourite teachers. He was a big influence on me in several ways. I am sorry to read of his passing, and hope that his family has comfort in good memories. May he rest in peace.

Nechamah Goldfarb - April 21, 2022 at 10:29 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles Francis Lipp.*



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April 21, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *Mr. Lipp was so influential during my HS years. We acted on stage together and I had him for class. He was always one of a kind. Just so sad.*

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**Joseph L** - April 21, 2022 at 10:22 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of his passing, he was a wonderful person to have a high school teacher, you don't always remember every single HS teacher but everyone knew and loved Mr Lipp. My thoughts are with his family during this difficult time.*

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**Kristen Cuozzo (Chalmers)** - April 21, 2022 at 10:18 AM



“ *mr lipp was absolutely unforgettable. i had him for english in 9th grade. wonderful teacher! i ran into him in a NYC subway station once - out of his teacher attire and it was so strange. i was with a classmate and all he could say was “good god my school is here” in his unique Mr lipp voice. may he rest in peace and fly high with the angels.... may his family be comforted by all the wonderful memories and know that he made an impact on 100s of students*

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**heather rienti boissonneault** - April 21, 2022 at 10:15 AM

FC

“ I will always cherish the memories of going to the school plays and Mr. Lipp was a highlight of the plays. He did so much for the students.

Francine Collins - April 21, 2022 at 09:57 AM

EC

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Lipp. I am a graduate of Island Trees High School, class of 1971. Mr. Lipp was my favorite teacher!! I had him for 12th grade English, and still remember his “dry” sense of humor. May he Rest In Peace.

Ellen Hoebeler Cardinali - April 21, 2022 at 09:37 AM

CA

“ So sad to hear of Mr. Lipp's passing - I'll never forget him acting out Stanley in a Streetcar Named Desire in class, screaming Stella in English class, or giving his jacket to a friend at junior prom when we were forced outside due to a fire alarm. Thoughts and prayers with his family



Caileen - April 21, 2022 at 09:14 AM

MS

“ Marianne Slevin lit a candle in memory of Charles Francis Lipp



Marianne Slevin - April 21, 2022 at 08:44 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Francis Lipp.* ”



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April 20, 2022 at 06:03 PM