



## Charlie Hewitt "Hu" Harrill, Jr.

May 3, 1940 - April 27, 2019

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Hu was born in Lincolnton, North Carolina on May 3, 1940 and lived there until he attended Davidson College, in Davidson, NC. During his years at Davidson he participated in ROTC. After graduation he enrolled in Georgia Tech where he received a master's degree in electrical engineering. In 1964, he entered the US Army as a 1st Lieutenant and was then promoted to Captain, while stationed in Panama. One of his hobbies was amateur radio, and he enjoyed many hours of contacting people all over the world, hence his nickname "Hu", which was easier to communicate over the radio. During his tour in Panama, he met Sherril, his future wife whose home was in Charlotte. Following a brief engagement, they were married in Charlotte. In 1966, after completing his tour of duty, he was honorably discharged from the Army and soon thereafter was employed by the Panama Canal Company in the Electrical Division. Hu was active in a local Canal Zone church helping with a youth group. Later he attended a military chapel and led adult Bible studies, was a leader of the men's fellowship and taught an annual Chrismon class.

Hu was the father of David, John and James. Together they enjoyed many outdoor sports which Panama's tropical climate allowed. He retired after a thirty-three year career with the Panama Canal on the day the ownership of the canal was transferred from the US to Panama. Hu and Sherril chose to move to Charlotte to be near Sherril's parents in their golden years. Always a very compassionate and caring person, Hu became involved in assisting with their care for a number of years. Forest Hill Church became his church home. He was a Life Group leader and served in other capacities as well. His passion was studying the Bible and sharing that knowledge with others. His greatest mission in life was leading people into a personal relationship with Christ.

About two weeks prior to his passing he told Sherril that he wouldn't be here much longer. No doubt he is walking the streets of heaven with many he taught in Bible studies throughout the years.

Hu is preceded in death by his parents, Charlie H. and Laura Harrill; sister, Barbara Graham and husband Donald. He is survived by his wife, Sherril Harrill; three sons and their wives, David and Lisa, John and Christa, James and Emily and grandchildren, Aysia, Jacob, Siana, Eva, Elias, Kaiya, Tobey, Hannah, Judah, and Hewitt.

Many remember Hu as a man of God who loved Jesus with all his heart and soul and displayed God's love to his family and others that he encountered.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the following organizations: Forest Hill Church-Missions ([foresthill.org](http://foresthill.org)), Crossroads Christian Academy Panama ([www.rceinternational.webconnex.com/23000](http://www.rceinternational.webconnex.com/23000)) or Bethel Colony of Mercy ([bethelcolonyofmercy.org](http://bethelcolonyofmercy.org)).

Additional details of Hu's journey can be found on [huharrill.com](http://huharrill.com).

# Events

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**MAY**   **Celebration of life**   **04:00PM**

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Forest Hill Church

7224 Park Road, Charlotte., Charlotte, NC, US

# Comments

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“ I am so sorry for your loss Sherril & family. I was so blessed to get to meet Hu on the day my husband passed away. Both of you have been such a blessing in my life and I will never forget. I do know Hu and Steve are in heaven with our Lord and Savior. What we share is something God planned and I will love you forever. May The Lord keep you safe and give you strength. God Bless you!



**Ginger Mash** - May 15, 2019 at 05:00 PM

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“ I'm privileged to have known Hu. He was a very godly man and I enjoyed the times I would be around him. He was such a delightful person who really loved Jesus. He is home now with our Lord and Savior. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. May God be your comfort now as you grieve his death.

**Donna Butler** - May 03, 2019 at 11:58 PM

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“ We have known Hu for over 40 years when we first came to Panama. He was one of the sweetest most caring, Godly men we have known and a great help to Bill in getting on HOXO radio. We send our love and prayers to all the family and know that Hu is rejoicing in Heaven with His Lord.

**Bill and Ann Wilbur** - May 03, 2019 at 09:44 AM

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“ We were saddened to hear of the loss of Hu. He was a great example of how to live a Christian life. We were fortunate to have him as a leader of our Life Group from 2004-2008 while living in Charlotte. Our love, prayers and support to Sherril and family during this difficult time.

Blessings,  
Stephen & Beth Brooks

**Stephen Brooks** - May 01, 2019 at 10:54 AM



“ Hu ..... from The depths of our hearts we want to thank you for opening your home, Sharing your faith, and creating extended families while sharing yours with all of those you came in contact with. You will always be remembered by your infectious smile, great sense of humor, and a tremendous heart for Jesus and for all of his children. Thanking about you on your birthday I agree with your amazing wife that you must of had a grand celebration in heaven . I also want to thank your wife Who has been a constant in everyone's lives and the extension of the love of Christ. May God continue to bless your three sons, their wives, and all the beautiful grandchildren. Your sister in Christ ....Monica Daza  
Indian Trail North Carolina.

**Monica Daza** - May 08, 2019 at 12:47 AM