



Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin

March 10, 1947 - January 30, 2025

On the morning of January 30, 2025, Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin of Tyler, Texas passed away due to complications from pneumonia. Chuck was born March 10, 1947 in Worcester, MA, the first son of Anthony A. "Tony" Akstin and Mary Rose (Bagdis) Akstin. Chuck spent his youth moving more than 17 times as a result of his father's active duty career in the United States Marine Corps.

Chuck graduated from West Boylston High School in West Boylston, Massachusetts in 1965. He attended Assumption College following high school and upon graduation in 1969 received a commission in the United States Marine Corps as a Second Lieutenant. Chuck had dreams of being a lawyer after college. Though law school would end up being a brief venture, Chuck met the love of his life, and wife of 53 years, Patricia M. Peacock, a fellow Massachusetts native and the daughter of Sir Gordon V. and Mrs. Edith Peacock.

Chuck began his Marine Corps career by reporting to The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia in the Spring of 1971. On October 2 of that same year, Chuck and Patricia were married in Cohasset, Massachusetts, Patricia's hometown. Chuck's active duty career would take the couple to duty stations in North Carolina, Virginia, Washington, D.C., Hawaii, and unaccompanied tours in Okinawa, Japan. Chuck specialized in Supply and Logistics and after 26 years of honorable service, retired at the rank of Colonel. He was the recipient of many personal awards including The Legion of Merit, Defense

Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal and more.

After his military service , Chuck took a position with the Government Special Events Office in Washington D.C. Chuck and Pat especially enjoyed the Northern Virginia area. They raised their children, Amy and Chris, in the Waynewood neighborhood of Mount Vernon. Chuck could often be seen at cross country and track meets for West Potomac High School and swim meets for the Waynewood community as Amy and Chris progressed through school.

Once the children graduated college and began careers of their own, Chuck and Patricia retired to Southport, NC. Their days were spent at the beach, playing golf, volunteering in their community, and traveling back and forth to Florida or to visit grandchildren. In 2021, they decided to move closer to Amy and the grandchildren in Tyler, TX. Once in Tyler, Chuck did as he always had, attended the grandchildren's sports events, gardened at the school, and drove carpool.

For those who knew Chuck, his kind spirit and willingness to help was a hallmark of his character. He loved to be among friends, to have a mission or service, and to nurture the people he loved. His care of Patricia when she was greatly affected by a stroke, showed as an example of selfless devotion to his marriage vows. He will be missed by those who were fortunate enough to call him a brother, friend, father, and grandfather.

Chuck was preceded in death by his loving wife, Patricia, their son, Christopher, and his brother, Andrew. He is survived by his sister, Martha Akstin and her husband, David Johnson, of Paxton, MA, his nephew Jeremy Johnson, wife Lindsey, and their three children Gabe, Tommy and Carly, his nephew, Ethan Johnson and son Aiden, and his niece Rebeccah Johnson and fiancé Corey John; and, his sister-in-law Valerie (Peacock) Sizemore of Monterey, TN. Chuck is also survived by his loving daughter, Amy Akstin Meads, her husband Jordan, and his grandchildren Michael, Andrew, Abigail, Joseph and Merryn Meads of Tyler, TX.

Services for Chuck will be held on Monday, February 17th, at 11:00 AM at

Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.
Visitation is scheduled from 10:00 to 10:30AM, with a Rosary beginning at 10:30AM, also at Stewart Funeral Home.

In Chuck's honor, memorials may be made for Anthony C. Akstin to the following organizations:

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: directly serves those service members <http://www.nmcrs.org/get-involved/donate>

Special Love – a wonderful camp in Winchester, VA which serves children with cancer and their families <https://speciallove.org>

Tyler Catholic School Foundation Anthony & Patricia Akstin Scholarship-<http://www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp5fb2c220790f9/user/guest>

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Rosary

FEB 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Memorial Service

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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(903) 581-2008

Lunch Reception To Follow Service

FEB 17 (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home Hospitality Room
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703

Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin



Stewart Family Funeral Home - February 15, 2025 at 09:37 AM

JS

“ .My wife Julie and I would like to extend our sincere condolences to you and the family. We lived in St James with your parents and had the pleasure sharing an active social life with them. Chuck and I played golf together during that time.

Sincerely,
John Skrief

John Skrief - June 22, 2025 at 06:59 PM

JJ

“ Jeremy and Lindsey Johnson purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Jeremy and Lindsey Johnson - February 17, 2025 at 05:11 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.

February 16, 2025 at 11:04 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



February 16, 2025 at 11:04 PM



“ Jim and Beth Ardaiole planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.

Jim and Beth Ardaiole - February 15, 2025 at 09:51 AM



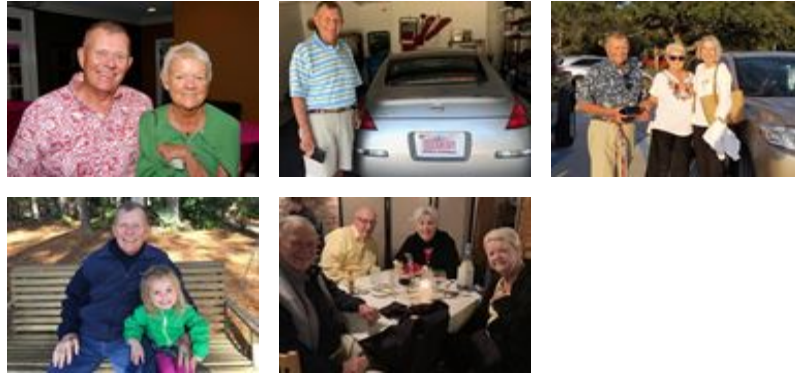
“ Jim and Beth Ardaiole purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Jim and Beth Ardaiole - February 15, 2025 at 09:51 AM



“ 62 files added to the album Life Tributes

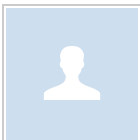


Stewart Family Funeral Home - February 15, 2025 at 09:34 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.

February 14, 2025 at 02:27 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



February 14, 2025 at 02:27 PM



“ Catherine C. purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Catherine C. - February 14, 2025 at 08:49 AM

WG

“ Waynewood "Tennis" Group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.

Waynewood "Tennis" Group - February 13, 2025 at 03:33 PM

WG

“ Waynewood "Tennis" Group purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Waynewood "Tennis" Group - February 13, 2025 at 03:33 PM

JR

“ Jan & Rick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.

Jan & Rick - February 13, 2025 at 03:13 PM

JR

“ Jan & Rick purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Jan & Rick - February 13, 2025 at 03:13 PM

AT

“ My most endearing memory of Pat and Chuck is when my mother passed away and I had no living relatives. It was close to Christmas and they invited me to come spend Christmas Eve and Christmas Day at their home as part of their family. My Christmas gift from them was an easy bake oven (I was in my 40's!). It was perfect because Pat and I always used to talk about how much fun we had baking cakes with a lightbulb as children. We always loved visiting them in Southport when we made trips down south in the summer. Rob and I both loved them so much and truly will miss them.

Andi and Rob Tozzoli - February 13, 2025 at 12:14 PM

KW

“ Kelli and Justin White purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Kelli and Justin White - February 12, 2025 at 01:00 PM

KW

“ Kelli and Justin White planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.

Kelli and Justin White - February 12, 2025 at 01:00 PM

SB

“ Chuck joined West Boylston High School late in his high school years, yet we felt like he had always been a part of the class of 1965. Under his yearbook photo it reads "A quietness so likable and nature much the same." "Chuck, baseball and the Yankees, newcomer, modest." He made friends easily and kept up many of those friendships from the class throughout the years. We offer our sincere condolences to Chuck's family for the passing of a wonderful man. He will be missed.

Shirley Knox Bussolari - February 11, 2025 at 02:34 PM

RC

“ 3 files added to the album Broccoli's Memories



Roxanne Cheney - February 11, 2025 at 12:18 PM

BN

“ Byron & Nita purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Anthony C. "Chuck" Akstin.



Byron & Nita - February 10, 2025 at 09:33 PM

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Byron & Nita - February 10, 2025 at 09:33 PM

MA

“ Chuck never met a stranger - just someone who was going to become his new friend. He loved story-telling, laughter, get-togethers and most importantly, his family. He and Pat were so excited to move to Texas to be near Amy and Jordan and all the grandchildren. On his most recent Christmas card, he was looking forward to being the grandkids' official cheerleader. He's with Pat and their son Christopher now. Rest in Peace, Marine. Semper Fi. Martha Akstin (sister), her husband David Johnson, and our children Jeremy, Ethan, and Rebecca

Martha Akstin - February 01, 2025 at 01:27 PM

CP

I met Chuck in 2016 and never stopped talking to him. In that short time we met Pat and shared dinners together while they still lived in South Port . I will treasure my friendship that had with Chuck forever. He taught me so much. I will miss him daily. Amy and family, I will keep you always in my prayers. I will never forget your Dad

Carol Polosky - February 02, 2025 at 11:25 AM

JC

A Marine Prayer

*Almighty God, Father of the fatherless, now take me home.
I was what others could not be.
I went where others feared to go and did what others failed to do.
I asked nothing from those who gave nothing, but gave hope, security
and freedom to all.
I have seen the face of terror, felt the stinging cold of fear and
experienced the warm comfort of Your love and protection through it
all.
I have enjoyed the sweet taste of life, comrades, love of country, Your
guiding hand and word.
I have cried, failed, pained, loved and hoped.
I have lived times others would say we're best forgotten. But, what we
are in life echoes into eternity.
I humbly offer that with Your guidance, I have done my duty and lived
with grateful pride of what I am!
- A United States Marine!
Deep sea and sod for now hold our bodies, but You O'Lord guard our
soles until that final day when all stand before You guilty, and for those
who believe, receive the gift of forgiveness and Eternal Life.
Almighty God, Father of Love, through the precious blood of your son,
Jesus Christ, I pray You now take me home. For I have proven to be
"ALWAYS FAITHFUL."*

To the Akstin Family;

*A great unimaginable loss. A gentleman for sure. A prolific "Marine
Leatherneck" without a doubt. A man with unquestionable loyalty. With
deepest sympathy, may Anthony's family, friends and those who have
had the distinct privilege to know him, be comforted by all the great and
wonderful memories of Anthony! R.I.P.
my Brother!*

"SEMPER FIDELIS"

James Collins - February 12, 2025 at 03:09 PM

GC

*I met Chuck as a fellow student at our Marine Basic School, class 5/71.
i then "re-met" Chuck and his wife at our many TBS reunions beginning
in 2008. A true gentleman and a great Marine. OOORRRRAAHHH!!*

george casey - February 13, 2025 at 10:25 AM

RA

Met Chuck the first day at our Marine Basic School Class 5-71. Became friends from day one. We stayed close throughout the years sharing life experiences, careers, families, and story telling. We took turns talking and listening. I think Chuck never met a person he didn't like. He was outgoing friendly engaging, and polite. It is quite easy to say that Chuck was a great guy. My sincere condolences to the entire Akstin family and God bless. Semper Fi Marine. Semper Fi.

Richard Anderson - February 18, 2025 at 04:04 PM