



## **Charles Joseph Maniscalco**

Charles Joseph Maniscalco, affectionately known as “Charlie,” passed away peacefully on July 20, 2024, in Birmingham, AL, at the age of 85. Born on December 7, 1938, in Birmingham, Charlie lived a life marked by faith, love, and dedication to his family and community. Charlie is survived by his devoted wife, Dorothy Maniscalco, and his beloved children and grandchildren: Scott Maniscalco, his former wife Lisa Jackson, and their children Ethan Maniscalco (and his wife Nancy) and Jacob Maniscalco; Kellie Cyr (Maniscalco) and her husband Jason Cyr, along with their children Emily Atkins, Lindsay Buffington (Atkins) and her husband Wyatt, and Charlee Cyr; Angelo Maniscalco and his wife Alicia Maniscalco, and their daughter Bella Maniscalco. Additionally, he leaves behind many cherished sisters-in-law, cousins, nieces, nephews, and dear friends who will forever remember him fondly. He joins in heaven his parents, Mama Josie and Papa Sam, and his siblings Lorine, Paul, Lee, Josephine, Sam, and Susie. Charlie was the youngest child of Mama Josie and Papa Sam, and their reunion in heaven is now complete. He grew up in Birmingham and attended John Carroll Catholic High School, where he discovered his calling to serve others. Initially enlisting in the United States Army Reserves, he later pursued a path to the seminary at Saint Mary’s Catholic College. There, he found a book in the library on Padre Pio, sparking his lifelong devotion to the Saint. Charlie later realized his true vocation lay elsewhere, graduating with a degree in Philosophy from Saint Bernard

College and embarking on a fulfilling career with IBM where he later met his bride, Dorothy, of over 50 years. This career took the Maniscalco family across the United States, where they made lifelong friends and cherished memories in every city they called home. In pursuit of a long-held dream, Charlie later opened Angelo's Restaurant & Lounge, an Italian restaurant that became one of his proudest achievements. Known for his gregarious nature and ability to connect with anyone, Charlie's warmth and generosity touched many lives. He was a devoted husband and father, providing everything his family needed and more. Charlie was deeply committed to his faith and community, dedicating his spare time to serving his church. He found joy in attending his children's sporting events and treasured moments spent with his family. His angelic voice was certainly a gift, blessing those around him, and his love for singing was especially cherished at the weddings of his children, Angelo and Kellie. Charlie's storytelling ability was legendary, and his infectious smile and laughter left a lasting impression on everyone he met. To know Charlie was to love him, and he loved deeply in return. A funeral mass will be held at Our Lady of the Valley on Thursday, August 22. Visitation will begin at 9:00 AM, followed by the mass at 10:00 AM. All are welcome to attend and celebrate the life of this extraordinary man. Charlie's legacy of love, faith, and friendship will live on in the hearts of all who knew him. Rest in peace, dear Charlie. You will be missed deeply.