



Charles Earl Dunnington

October 12, 1947 - August 9, 2026

Rochester, New York

Charles Earl Dunnington died in Rochester on August 9, 2026. He was 78. Born on October 12, 1947, into a Anglo Northeast household that treated work as a language. He learned early that a day is something you finish, not something you wait for.

He hung over rivers in a harness that became a second spine. A shining buckle was pride; rust was the enemy he understood. Colleagues still mention a harness buckle shining from use.

He married Janice in 1969. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised a daughter through public schools and ordinary weather. After Janice died in 2019, he kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember covered dishes that arrived without a speech. He liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. He died in Rochester, among streets he never needed to explain. The extra coffee is still in the thermos.

Services

A memorial gathering in Rochester with coffee afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a local workers' fund, clinic, or neighborhood library is welcome.

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