

Charlie

(Pronounced: CHAR-lee)

Origin: Charlie began as a diminutive of *Charles*, a name of *Germanic origin* derived from *Karl*, meaning “*free man*.” Over time, Charlie evolved into a beloved given name in its own right, appreciated for its *warmth, independence, and friendly spirit*. Though traditionally masculine, Charlie has become increasingly popular as a *gender-neutral* name, especially in the UK and US.

Historically associated with *kings, explorers, and artists*, Charlie carries both *charm and strength*. From *King Charles* to *Charlie Chaplin*, the name blends *down-to-earth playfulness* with *timeless appeal*, making it equally at home in *tradition and modernity*.

Those named Charlie are often seen as *kind, confident, and good-humoured*, with a natural ability to bring *joy and lightness* to those around them. With its *approachable sound* and *enduring popularity*, Charlie remains a name that captures *freedom, sincerity, and cheerful grace*.