



Charles Valukas

May 21, 1939 - March 30, 2014

Charles A. Valukas

RACINE – Charles A. Valukas, 74, passed away on Sunday, March 30, 2014. Charles was born in Racine, WI on May 21, 1939 to Anthony and Lucille (nee: Helling) Valukas. Charles graduated from St. Catherine’s High School “Class of 1957 and on September 8, 1962, he married the former Barbara Ann Orthey. He was employed by Twin Disc retiring after more than 40 years of service and a longtime member of Christ Church United Methodist.

Charles enjoyed playing dartball, bowling, and going to casinos. He could frequently be heard yelling at the television during Packers or Brewers games. His greatest pleasure came from his children and grandchildren -- Charles enjoyed cheering on his grandchildren in their many activities and especially loved family Up North and other vacations. His quick wit and humor endeared him to all who knew him. Charles’ grandchildren called him Grumps which aptly summed up his gruff exterior covering his tender and soft inside.

Charles is survived by his children; Victoria (Robert) Kiefer, Jodi (Gary) Kuhl, and Frederick Valukas, his grandchildren; Nathaniel Kuhl, Keefer Kuhl, Katrina Kiefer, and Mason Kiefer, siblings; Lorraine Petersen, Janet (Charles) Iggulden, Gloria Valukas, Wayne (Cindy) Valukas; brother-in-law Robert (Jody) Orthey; sister-in-law Joyce (Lon) Laehr; and nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends too numerous to mention. He was preceded in death by his wife Barbara; his parents Lucille and Anthony Valukas; niece Sharon Iggulden; and brother-in-law Calvin Petersen.

The entire Valukas family would like to extend a very special heartfelt thanks to Drs. Mark DeCheck and Michael Mullane, along with their staff who cared for Charles in a gentle and positive way.

A service celebrating Charles' life will be held at Christ Church United Methodist, 5109 Washington Avenue on Saturday, April 5, 2014 at 10 a.m. with Rev. George Kafer officiating. Relatives and friends may meet with the family at Sturino Funeral Home on Friday, April 4, from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. and at church on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until service time at 10:00 a.m. Those wishing to remember Charles in a special way may direct memorials to Downtown Racine Corporation, or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Graceland Cemetery

Racine, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home
3014 Northwestern Avenue
Racine, WI 53404
(262) 632-4479
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

Visitation

APR 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ Church United Methodist
5109 Washington Avenue
Racine, WI 5340

Funeral Service

APR 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ Church United Methodist
5109 Washington Avenue
Racine, WI 5340

Tribute Wall

MA

“ Our condolences to the whole family for your loss. Our prayers are with you.

Mary & Paul Kazmierczak

Mary - April 07, 2014 at 06:12 AM

KT

“ May wonderful memories of time spent with your Dad give you the strength to get through this time. What a great video of him, Barb and your whole family - you are all very blessed. We are there with you in spirit, Love Kat and Roch

Kat Tranel - April 05, 2014 at 11:32 AM

AM

“ I am happy to say that I have more than a few fond memories of chuck... Whispering pines resort, summertime, campfires and great conversations. I am so lucky to have met him along with his unbelievably awesome family and friends. I'll never forget him!

Aaron Moore - April 05, 2014 at 12:07 AM

DG

“ My condolences and deepest sympathies to the entire family

Dan geyer

dan geyer - April 04, 2014 at 11:19 AM

ES

“ *Ellen, Jon, Sarah, Jake, Rich, and Susan purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Charles Valukas.*



Ellen, Jon, Sarah, Jake, Rich, and Susan - April 04, 2014 at 09:23 AM

JL

“ *To you and your family our deepest sympathy. We are very sorry for your loss.
With Love and Prayers. The Lutz Family*

Joan Lutz - April 03, 2014 at 09:44 PM

JK

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Vicki, Jody and Fred in the loss of their dad. Dave & Judy Keiner*

Judy Keiner - April 03, 2014 at 08:25 PM

WK

“ *Jodi and family,*

*What a great tribute. Our prayers are with each of you today and this weekend. Memories are the best way to get through this tough time and the days ahead. God bless your family
Wayne and Kathy*



wayne and kathy - April 03, 2014 at 08:08 PM

SS

“ Charlie and I used to partner up in the Hillside Lanes Thursday night bowling leagues. Men from Twin Disc and the ladies combined their scores and then were handicapped. The best score won money. We didn't win often, but it sure was fun having him as a partner. I know you are going to miss him so much, but he'll be with you always. Share your memories and you can keep him alive forever. Always,
Sue Steimle

Sue steimle - April 03, 2014 at 12:39 PM

JB

“ I loved the video and all the memories it brought back. What a great father, grandfather and person. The years have gone by way to quick.
Jeanne Ballantyne

Jeanne Ballantyne - April 03, 2014 at 08:16 AM

CP

“ Many fond memories. Most of all Fred's 30th birthday party. May he rest in peace. Love to all the family.

CINDY AND JOHN PISANELLO

cindy pisanello - April 01, 2014 at 09:42 PM

FR

Thanks Cindy! My 30th lol!

Fred - April 02, 2014 at 05:51 PM