



Charles "Chuck" J. Ritchie Jr.

October 3, 1938 - June 13, 2022

Charles "Chuck" J. Ritchie, Jr., 83, of Syracuse, NY went to be with Jesus on June 13, 2022. He was a graduate of Onondaga Valley Academy and Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, Mass. He loved life and was an encourager to many with his sunny outlook. Even during the later stages of Parkinson's, he was always optimistic. He loved his wife, Virginia, his sons and their spouses Dana (Deirdre), Shawn (Donna), and Derek (Kristie) and had a special love for his eight grandchildren, Megan, Julie Ann, David, Nolan, Rebecca, Nicholas, Victoria and Kristianna. His sisters, Elizabeth Belle and Roberta Brown Graham, both deceased in 2012, were very close to him and he loved keeping up with news of his many nieces and nephews.

Chuck was active in his church, singing in quartets and choirs. He coached Little League, was actively involved with Kiwanis and was an avid fan of SU basketball. He enjoyed boating in his 1929 Matthews Cruiser on the St. Lawrence River and spent many weekends in his 1948 Chris Craft on Skaneateles Lake. Summers were treasured camping with his family in the Adirondacks and at Fair Haven Beach State Park.

Chuck's most passionate hobby was spending time with family and friends sharing a cup of coffee around the kitchen table. He was genuinely interested in the lives of everyone he met, offering to help or solve any problem, always brightening your day. His joke telling was legendary, and he could make you laugh even when you had heard the story many times before.

Chuck proudly served in the US Army and will be interred at the Onondaga County Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

A celebration of his life will be held on August 6, 2022 Christ Community Church, 3644 Warners Road, Camillus, NY. Calling hours will be from 10am to 11am with the service immediately following.

Arrangements by B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, Camillus.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be sent to Gideons International, PO Box 2031, Syracuse, NY 13220 for the purchase of Bibles for the military.

Please sign his guestbook at www.BLBUSH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Community Church
3644 Warners Road
Syracuse, NY 13209
(315) 468-3500
office.cccsyracuse@gmail.com
<http://www.cccsyracuse.org>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

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“ I'll always remember Chuck as the fatherly figure @ Church who hugged me till I cried n held me till my heart healed. He always had a genuine interest and ear to hear and words of wisdom or a quip and a laugh to send on the way. I thank God for the wonderful blessing of and blessings through He provided in Chuck Richie

Suzan Rury - January 06, 2023 at 01:02 AM



“ To our Ritchie Family ... our hearts and love are with you. Thinking of you and holding you all close. We will forever love our Uncle Chuck and will forever cherish his large full of life laugh, his positive powerful presence, his zeal for life and all that's good and his wisdom. Sending love ❤️ and comfort. Deb and Andy Davitt

Deb Streeter-davitt - August 07, 2022 at 11:44 AM

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“ Love to the entire Ritchie family from the Evans family. We will all miss Uncle Chuck ; his friendship, love, humor and faith. A great man and roll model for a life well lived. Peace and God Bless

Eric Evans - July 08, 2022 at 12:23 PM



“ About 20 years ago , Chuck & Ginnie invited my family for an outing, from Alexandria , on their boat - a vintage 32' Matthews . Chuck gave me a tour of the Boat museum in Clayton . We toured the Thousand Islands and docked at Boldt Castle. It was a wonderful day and memory . Thanks Chuck . (BTW, does anyone remember the name of that boat and what became of it ?) - David & Rosy MacFadyen - Brampton ,Canada

David Macf - July 06, 2022 at 05:44 PM

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“ Ginny and family - saddened to read of Chuck's passing. He was a great guy. My sincere sympathy. " May Flights of Angels Sing Thee to Thy Rest and the Lord Give Him Everlasting Peace" +



Marcia Hruby - June 26, 2022 at 01:28 PM

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“ Ginny, your loss is a loss for all who knew Chuck. He was truly a child of Christ and a brother to all who met him. We have many great memories, especially those when you were our neighbors in Florida. Chuck maintained his great sense of humor through all of life's trials. May God continue to bless you until our Lord brings you home to e with Chuck once again. Much love.

Sally and Earl Bozeat

Bozeats - June 26, 2022 at 12:46 PM



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B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments - June 24, 2022 at 04:17 PM

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“ Dearest Ginny and family - We are so sad to hear that Chuck has left us. But we are confident that he is now with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and probably playing that same role of encourager to all of those around him Chuck is an outstanding example of the Christian life well lived, to the glory of God! He will be missed, but we know we will see him again. May you find great comfort in all of the wonderful memories you have made together!

Marilyn and Dave Dominick - June 24, 2022 at 03:57 PM