



Charles "Pete" P. Kaufman

July 20, 1933 - May 18, 2019

Charles Paul Kaufman, 85, died May 18, 2019, at Westfield Quality Care in Aurora. A Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 10:30 am, at St. Mary's Cathedral. Father Jim Golka will officiate. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, from 5-7 pm at All Faiths Funeral Home, with a Rosary at 7pm.

Charles was born on July 20, 1933 in Grand Island to Charles and Alberta (Murphy) Kaufman. He was raised and received his education in Grand Island and Gothenburg. After high school, he attended Kearney State College and the Grand Island Business College. He entered the United States Airforce and served during the Korean War.

On November 24, 1956, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth McDermott. Five children were blessed into this union. Charles was employed by the State of Nebraska, Motor Vehicle Dept. and was the Administrator for the State Employee Credit Union in Lincoln; Nebraska Tractor and Equipment, and he was the Administrator / Property Superintendent for the Hall County Parks and Recreation.

Charles was a member of St. Mary's Cathedral, the Knights of Columbus, VFW, Elks, and the Platt-Duetsche. He loved his job so much that it extended into his personal life, as his hobbies included yard work, landscaping, and coming up with ideas to improve Hall County parks.

Charles was a man known by many names. His family could tell who was calling by what name they asked to speak to. Some of the names he went by

are Pete, Paul, Chuck, Charlie Brown, Mr. Kaufman, and on occasion someone would call him Charles.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife; children, Sally Burkholder of Grand Island, Peggy (Tom) Haverland of Dubuque, IA, Nancy (Jim) Spiels of Omaha, Mark (Helen) Kaufman of Grand Island, Lisa Snyder of St. Paul; 12 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren plus two more on the way.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Alberta JoAnn Geis. Memorials are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital or the Grand Island Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ Charles "Pete" P. Kaufman

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“ We all are going to miss chuck but chuck left us all with many memories and many great examples of how to live. Chuck was very humble and always willing to help others with no questions asked. He would without hesitation give the shirt off his back if someone needed it more. Chuck respected material wealth but he chose to measure his wealth in relationships. His relationships with family, friends, and people he worked with was where he got his wealth. He left us as a very wealthy man. We can all take great comfort in knowing when our time comes, chuck will be waiting with open arms. Thank you chuck for many great memories and one awesome daughter I pray that god will give peace and comfort to the family in their time of need

Jim Spiehs

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