



Charlie Sheffield

February 5, 1939 - December 11, 2015

Charles "Charlie" Sheffield, 76, of Sherman Reservoir, Loup City, formerly of Grand Island died on December 11th at Texas.

To honor Charlie's wishes, cremation was chosen. The celebration of Life Service and remembrance party will be on Saturday, December 19th at 10:30 a.m. at the Platt Deutsche, 1315 W Anna, Grand Island. Casual dress is requested. Daniel Naranjo will officiate. All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Mr. Sheffield was born on February 5, 1939 in Grand Island to Charles and Margaret (Shriner) Sheffield.

Survivors of the immediate family includes his wife, Lois; a son, Steven Sheffield and step-son, Lonnie Dickson and step-son and daughter-in-law, Monte and Jaci Dickson all of Lincoln; sister and brother-in-law, Christy and Dennis Edwards, and a sister-in-law and husband, Barbra and Jerry Brand, all of Grand Island. Additional family includes, step-grandchildren, Cody, Brady, Jake and Gabbie Dickson of Lincoln and several nieces and nephews; additional in-laws, Bill and Joyce Ryan, Kathy and Ted Stava of Grand Island, Dolores Call of Merna, Janet Judy and Al Haines of Neligh.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Jerry Sheffield.

Charles was raised in Grand Island where he graduated from Grand Island Senior High and later from Kearney State College in Kearney. He worked for his father at Sheffield Tree Service for 35 years, officiated high school and college football and basketball games for 32 years and retired after teaching

in the Grand Island Public Schools for 38 years.

Mr. Sheffield was president of the Grand Island Officials Association for over 20 years and presented many referring clinics throughout the state. He officiated twelve high school football championships at which nine were class A games. He also worked many state basketball tournament games and championships.

Charles was also highly recognized for developing the elementary physical education program in the Grand Island Public Schools. He presented many ideas and activities at local, state and national programs where he was also honored as an outstanding physical educator.

Mr. Sheffield's favorite times were those spent fishing with his wife, Lois. Both caught many Master Angler Awards at Sherman Reservoir.

A memorial fund will be established in memory of Charlie.

Tribute Wall



“ *Charlie Sheffield*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *I remember going to watch Husker games.*

Lauren

Lauren Korth - January 15, 2016 at 01:57 PM



“ *I remember going over to Charlies cabin to watch Husker Football games.*

Lauren

Lauren Korth - January 15, 2016 at 01:56 PM



“ *So sorry to here of Charlie's passing. We were team mates on the Sheffield fast pitch softball team, and enjoyed many evenings and nights at the PD. He was a great guy, and a great team mate. He'll be missed, for sure.*

Richard Pagoria - December 21, 2015 at 08:10 AM

GJ

“ So very sad, Mr Sheffield was my favorite physical education teacher. I will always remember him. Im now in my Fiftys and he was my PE teacher when I was young. He had so much patients with a young man as I, and trust me that was not an easy task back in those days. Rest now for you my friend deserve it for all your hard work and kind ways for the family you are in my prayers Sincerely,
Geoffrey (Scott) Johnson.
Orlando Florida



Geoffrey Johnson - December 19, 2015 at 05:19 PM

CF

“ Our deepest sympathy to Charlie's family. Our family has great memories of Charlie & all he did for his students. Both my sons, Doug & Brad Kosmicki, were fortunate to have Charlie in school. He always remembered your kids & you as their parent. We feel very blessed to have known Charlie Sheffield! I recently had a message that Charlie Sheffield says 'hi'. That was the kind of guy he was & of course his great smile!! Our thoughts are with you all. Craig & Sue (Kosmicki) Foss & family.

Craig & Sue (Kosmicki) Foss & family - December 19, 2015 at 10:25 AM

AA

“Lois, I am deeply saddened at the passing of Charlie. I loved him and I am a better person because I had the privilege of knowing him. He gave me the opportunity to sing the National anthem at so many events in Grand Island when he was still teaching. He was a class act and touched so many lives. You are in my thoughts and prayers and may God comfort you during this time and always. Thank you for sharing Charlie with so many. He was my friend, and I will miss him and that wonderful smile! God's Blessings to you!
Amy Anderson

Amy Anderson - December 19, 2015 at 08:34 AM

JS

“Lois, Jack and I are so sorry to read of Charlie's passing. What a nice guy he was I know my Dad thought a lot of him too. May all your memories comfort you during this sorrowful time.

Jack & Julie Schmidt

Jack&Julie Schmidt - December 18, 2015 at 10:28 PM

RS

“Lois - our prayers are for you. Charlie touched the lives of each of us and how he taught all the kids he met to enjoy life and exercise thru this physical education programs. Adam is running marathons today because of Charlie's great years as a teacher and Blake works weights jogs every week to stay in shape. Charlie inspired us all to be the best we can be. May our good Lord comfort you at this time. . Rick & Cathy Sekora

Rick and Cathy Sekora - December 18, 2015 at 07:34 AM

RS

“ We are deeply saddened by the news of Charlie Sheffield's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. - University of Nebraska Federal Credit Union

Rnel Sohl - December 17, 2015 at 06:36 PM

 Angi Hanson

“ May he *REST IN ETERNAL PEACE!!*

Angi Hanson - December 16, 2015 at 04:40 PM

DM


“ We all lost the "World's Best PE Teacher". I thought of Charlie every time I shot a basketball, threw a football, swung a bat.....One of my all time favorite teachers. Thinking of you Lois and entire family.

Darren Maurer - December 16, 2015 at 03:07 PM

KB

“ Dear Lois, I was so sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. We were talking last night, about all the fun times spent together bowling and the 'kick,' he would make when the ball made a strike. We have very much missed the two of you the last several years. Please stop in anytime to visit and cheer us on. My deepest regards, Ken Bassett

Ken Bassett - December 16, 2015 at 09:48 AM

 Mandy Ferguson

“ *What an amazing, Class A man! Thanks to him I know how to jump rope, Popcorn & Square dance & shoot a basketball! I've even told my son about Mr. Sheffield & taught him that same Popcorn dance! Not only was this man my gym teacher, I was lucky enough to have him as a neighbor for many, many years. Your influence reaches far & wide while stories of you will live on forever, Mr Sheffield. God bless you & your family during this difficult time! Sincerely, Mandy Ferguson*

Mandy Ferguson - December 16, 2015 at 07:33 AM

PT

“ *Phyllis & Norm Thompson Winter Texans*

Please know that we are thinking of you at this sad time. May the wonderful memories you have of Charlie comfort you on the days you miss him the most.

Phyllis Norm Thompson - December 16, 2015 at 07:25 AM

GW

“ *I remember many years of watching him play ball at the "P.D." with my dad (Don Brooks). It was always a fun time. He was always smiling and having a good time. He will be missed by many.*

Glenda (Brooks) Watson - December 15, 2015 at 06:33 PM

DE

“ SO SORRY TO READ ABOUT THE PASSING OF MR.SHEFFIELD. SOME PEOPLE SHOULD NEVER PASS ON AND MR. SHEFFIELD WAS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE. HE WAS MY PE TEACHER AT NEWELL SCHOOL IN THE LATE 60'S EARLY 70'S. HE WAS A MENTER AND A GREAT EXAMPLE WHAT A MAN SHOULD BE. FOR A LITTLE BOY LIKE I WAS BACK THEN, HE WAS AGREAT INFLUENCE ON WHO I BECAME AS AN ADULT. THANKYOU MR.SHEFFIELD. I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU. R.I.P. MY THOUHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE THE FAMILY.
DEAN EINSPAHR

DEAN EINSPAHR - December 15, 2015 at 04:54 PM

TR

“ *Mr Sheffield was my PE teacher at Newell. I was so great. I remember dancing to the song, Popcorn. I even remember the dance, even though it was over 30 years ago. With all of the fun games we played, he made exercise fun. He will be missed.*

Tracy - December 15, 2015 at 04:54 PM

RR

“ *Charlie was a great guy. He touched many young lives including the lives of my children.*

Richard Rasmussen - December 15, 2015 at 04:05 PM

VS

“ *I remember my cozen Charlie , he was a very good guy and will be missed by all. He now goes to rest in peace , may the good lord take him into his loving arms and hold him close . his cozen VERL B. SMITH*

Verl B. Smith - December 15, 2015 at 03:37 PM

MS

“ Working with Charlie as a young teacher was one of the most astounding professional experiences of my career. He was dedicated to helping his students and his fellow teachers to be better people. His view of physical education as a way of leading a healthy life was ahead of his time. Thank you for helping so many of us to become better teachers. Thank you, Charlie.

Mary Solberg - December 15, 2015 at 01:48 PM

LG

“ Lois, We are so sorry to hear of Charlie's passing and your loss of a loving husband and best friend. We pray for your healing through cherished memories of your precious years together. Love and Blessings to you and your family. Rick & Linda Goettsche, Tony and Sarah

Linda Goettsche - December 15, 2015 at 01:10 PM

 Char
Webb
Guerrero

“ All our kids Ken, Ben, April, Patti, Tina Guerrero were blessed by Mr. Sheffield.

Char Webb Guerrero - December 15, 2015 at 12:05 PM

KM

“ Charlie will be missed by many, he was so well thought of. Remembering him as someone I looked up to when I was in grade school and having him for a teacher. My sympathy to his family, life will not be the same as you knew it, treasure those times you had, until you meet again..

Kim Kirkland McBride - December 15, 2015 at 09:51 AM

DW

“ Charlie was my uncle Al Kienker's best friend!! They refereed basketball games together for many, many years. He was a wonderful man, and our entire family knows it. Al's wife, Dorothy Kienker, recently fell and fractured her pelvis. She's currently in a rehabilitation center in Elkhorn, NE, so she'll be unable to attend the memorial service for Charlie. I'm going to make sure that she gets a copy of his obituary. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers!
Love, Deb Wetzel

Deb Wetzel - December 15, 2015 at 08:56 AM



“ Charlie was a class act, for sure. We had a few disagreements while I was a sportswriter and he was a top-notch sports official. But he had -- and earned -- the respect of coaches, players, fellow officials and the media. For years he was among the giant figures of high school (and elementary school) sports in Grand Island and Central Nebraska. My thoughts are with the family.

Peter Letheby - December 14, 2015 at 03:20 PM

WC

*I will miss Charlie Sheffield! I began my teaching at Newell in 1976 and worked with him for the next 20 odd years before he retired. What a class act. He related to Kindergartners through 6th graders with equal kindness. The afterschool programs.....volleyball, basketball, flag football, track...The Elementary track meet would involve close to or over 1000 kids and it ran like clockwork. I know he was saddened when elementary switched to K-5 and the programs slowly faded away. His name is still on the door to the gym at Newell "The Charles Sheffield Gymnasium". It is but a small token of our affection for him. That great voice of his is now stilled, but I will always remember how it would echo through the gym with encouragement to all kids.
Rest peacefull Charlie
Bill Chadek
5th Grade Newell
1976-2009*

William J Chadek - December 18, 2015 at 10:33 PM

CJ

Lois, so sorry about Charlie's sudden death. What a shock! Julie told me last night. My prayers and sympathy. Fr. C. Torpey

C. Torpey, Jr. - December 21, 2015 at 08:45 AM