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Mr. Charles K "Chuck" Day **1940-2009**

Charles K. Day

June 28, 1940 - June 20, 2009

A funeral mass was held for Charles K. Day on Tuesday, June 23, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Cecelia Catholic church in Algona with Father Edward M. Girres officiating. Interment followed on Wednesday, June 27, 2009, at 1 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery in Mitchell, S.D.

Chuck was born on a farm in Humboldt County on June 28, 1940. He attended rural school and graduated from Humboldt High School in 1958. He joined the Navy in the fall of 1958 and served for four years. Chuck lived in Norfolk, Va., until his discharge from the Navy.

Chuck married Margie Burgess in 1961. Two daughters, Vivian Charlene and Donna Marie, were born to this union. Margie died in 1973.

Upon his discharge from the Navy in 1962, Chuck worked for Universal Manufacturing Company. In 1966, Chuck joined the Algona Police Department and served as a policeman for two years. In November, 1968, Chuck joined the Kossuth County Sheriff's Department as a Deputy Sheriff. In 1980 he was first appointed and later elected Sheriff that fall. Chuck was awarded Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association's Sheriff of the Year Award in 1992. He served as Sheriff until his retirement in January of 1993.

On July 2, 1982, Chuck married Helen Grohs at St. Cecelia's Catholic Church in Algona.

After Chuck's retirement in 1993, he worked for the City of Algona in the cemetery department until 2006.

Chuck belonged to St. Cecelia's Catholic Church, the Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies' Association, Prudence Lodge No. 205 AF-AM and Abu-bekr Shrine, Des Moines Consistory.

Chuck loved the outdoors, and was an avid hunter. He enjoyed fishing and hunting, and his trips to South Dakota to hunt prairie dogs. Chuck also liked working on the farm and watching things grow. He enjoyed the RV life and wintering in Texas, forming friendships with people from all over North America. He also loved sharing time with his family.

Chuck passed away peacefully in Algona on Saturday, June 20, 2009. He was 68 years young.

Chuck is survived by his beloved wife of 26 years, Helen; two daughters: Vivian (Steve) of Pleasant Hill, and Donna (Jeff) of South Sioux City, Neb.; three grandchildren: Michael, James, and Jessica; three sisters: Beverly, Shelda, and Sharon; two brothers: Gordon and Lyle; and special nephew, Edward Smith. He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Johanna and wife, Margie.

Garry-Roberts-Murphy-Schaaf Funeral Home, Algona, in charge of arrangements, www.oakcrestfuneralservices.com.

