



Chuck Donath

July 5, 1937 - September 5, 2020

Mr. Ira Charles “Chuck” Donath, age 83 of Carthage, TN, died at home, September 5, 2020 surrounded by family, friends, and loved ones.

Chuck was born July 5, 1937, in Filmore, WI, a son of the late Lloyd Donath and Viola Binder Donath. Chuck married Carol Tanner on April 16, 1961 and she preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by Brother; William Donath and grandson; Randy Kolessa.

He was raised on a farm in Wisconsin, and graduated from Random Lake High School in 1955. He served in the U.S. Navy for two years as an airman. Chuck was a prominent businessman in Lake Worth, FL. He owned and ran several businesses for over 48 years, including Chuck’s Discount Appliance and TV.

Mr. Donath retired in 2003 and moved to Carthage, TN, in 2008 with his partner Bonnie Siech. In Tennessee, Chuck had a small hobby farm, a large greenhouse and an English garden. He was an avid gardener and enjoyed sharing the fruits of his labor with anyone who visited. Chuck’s childhood dream was to have a cabin in the woods, and he spent the last three years making that dream come true on the property.

Chuck attended the Carthage United Methodist Church.

Mr. Donath is survived by Two Children; Vicki Kolessa of Lake Worth, FL, and Randall Donath of Palm Beach Gardens, FL. Three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren in Florida.

Funeral Services for Mr. Donath are scheduled to be conducted from the Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 2PM with Rev. Monica Mowdy officiating. Interment will follow in the Smith County Memorial Gardens.

Visitation with the family will be at the Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Saturday from 11AM until service time at 2PM.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Carthage United Methodist Church.

Cemetery Details

Smith County Memorial Gardens

618 College Ave
Carthage, TN 38563

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Carthage Chapel of Bass Funeral Home
807 N Main Street
Carthage, TN 37030
(615) 735-1212
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Service

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Tribute Wall

DR

“ My sympathy to Bonnie and Chucks family. I have many memories of Chuck as a member of my husbands class of Random Lake High school class of 1955. He always attended their class reunion and was a very caring and giving man. Will be missed very much here in Random Lake. Rest In Peace Ira.

Doris rassel - September 10, 2020 at 02:50 PM

LB

“ I Loved hearing all of Chuck's stories and he had many that he would share with my husband Phil and I.He Lived Life full and followed his dream. May you rest in peace.

Linda Bertram - September 08, 2020 at 12:49 PM



“ My Friend Chuck had a heart of Gold! Always there for any chance to help in any situation and always a true, honest Man. He always gave more than he took...always shared his life & love with his friends...always clear and straight forward with anyone who would listen.

My heart goes out to Bonnie, Chuck's family and the many friends he has made easily with the folks of Carthage. He will be deeply missed in my world and I'm sure he knew how much a respected him and loved him.

Even Stevens....Rest Easy Chuck

Even Stevens - September 08, 2020 at 10:11 AM

MW

“ *Chuck has been my mentor, my advisor, has made me laugh until I hurt, and has been my biggest fan. In short, he’s my best friend. I will miss him dreadfully. Blessings to Bonnie, who was truly the love of his life.*

Melody Ward - September 07, 2020 at 03:24 PM