



Charles 'Chuck' Stowman

February 23, 1946 - November 17, 2015

Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel
Valley City, ND 701-845-2414

Charles Leo Stowman

Charles L. Stowman, 69, went onto his eternal home on November 17, 2015, in a Fargo Hospital. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM on Monday, November 23 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Valley City. Visitation will be held on Sunday, November 22 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the church and one hour before the funeral service. A prayer service will be held at 7:00 PM on Sunday evening at Our Savior's. Internment will take place at a later date at Memory Garden Cemetery near Valley City.

Charles Leo Stowman the son of Lorraine (Jaeger) and Leo Stowman, was born February 23, 1946 in Valley City, ND. He graduated from Valley City High School in 1964. Chuck obtained a Business Administration degree from the University of North Dakota in 1968 and a Masters of Banking degree from the University of Wisconsin.

On September 4, 1966 he was united in marriage to Janice Sundstrom at Nebo Lutheran Church in Valley City. They moved to Valley City in 1971 where he began his career in banking. He was with Farmers and Merchants Bank, now Dacotah Bank, in 1973 until he retired as President in 2001. His

love of Valley City was evident by his active involvement in community affairs. He was a city commissioner, Past-President of the Valley City/Barnes County Development Corporation, and of the North Dakota Independent Bank Association. He belonged to the El Zagal Shriners, Elks, and Eagles Clubs. Chuck and Jan made their church home at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Valley City.

Known to some as Charles, others as Chuck or Charlie. No matter what you called him you knew him as a person of quick wit, sensitivity, humble generosity, and kindness. If he gave you a nickname, you knew you were a very special person to him.

Charlie and Jan loved to spend their time with family at their lake cabin on Lake Eunice, Minnesota and they wintered in Sarasota, Florida. He liked to hunt, fish and golf; but more importantly was the time spent with special friends. Above all, his grandchildren were his pride and joy.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Jan, Valley City, ND; daughters, Michelle 'Missy' Vollmers (Chad) and Amy Kvien (Pete), Bismarck, ND and his son, Charles 'Casey' (Amber), Fargo, ND. Five grandchildren, Justin Vollmers, Emily and Anika Kvien, and Kyan and Elin Stowman. Also surviving is a sister, Myra (Wes) Norton, and a special cousin Faye (Ed) Hasche, Bismarck, ND. Sister-in-law, Linda (Lynn) Holcomb, Valley City, ND and a brother-in-law, Jim (Rita) Sundstrom, Venice, FL. Many special nieces, nephews and wonderful friends. He was preceded in death by his mother, Lorraine Stowman Engelstad, his father Leo Stowman, his step-father Chris Engelstad, his grandparents Charles and Myra Jaeger and Charles Perry and Elizabeth Jane Stowman.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials given to Sheyenne Valley Community Foundation – Wellness Center, Valley City State Foundation, and Our Savior's Foundation.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel, Valley City. An online guestbook for Chuck is available at www.oliver-nathanchapel.com

Sheyenne Valley Community Foundation-Wellness Center: 250 West Main, Valley City, ND 58072

Valley City State Foundation: 101 College Street SW, Valley City, ND 58072

Our Savior's Foundation: 138 3rd Street NW, Valley City, ND 58072

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
138 3rd St. NW
Valley City, ND

Tribute Wall



“ *Oliver - Nathan Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles 'Chuck' Stowman*



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - November 20, 2015 at 04:40 PM

SS

Loved looking at all the photos of Chuck and his pride and joys! He was such a good looking guy and adorable with his dog when he was a young boy! I have so many good school memories of him. He was good to everyone and you had to be ready for that keen sense of humor. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Stowman family! Wish we lived closer....we'd be there for his final farewell!

Sheila & Rick Snarr - November 21, 2015 at 06:39 AM

DB

In a small town there are always a few who stand up and make the community a better place. A bright candle has been extinguished but the efforts of Chuck and Jan will long be felt by their community, their church, and Valley City State University. Sincere condolences to Jan, Casey, and family.

Diane Bjerke - November 21, 2015 at 11:25 AM

GH

Charlie lived across the street when my sisters and I were growing up. He was like the brother we never had...always helping set up fun stuff to do outside the minute it got warm enough, and looking out for us. When we were very little, our moms let us play board games on the porch while I recovered from Rheumatic Fever and he from Polio. I think we both saw people suffering in our hospital stays in Valley City and Fargo. It made us compassionate. George and I would be there in a heartbeat if we hadn't been obligated to attend a retirement party last night...in George's honor. Charlie would be proud that George finally sold his CFP practice and let go of 12 hour days working and commuting. Charlie had a twinkle in his eye and a life full of accomplishments. His beautiful family will miss him and so do we. God bless.

Ann (Ludvigson) Hiner and George Hiner

George and Ann Hiner - November 23, 2015 at 05:14 AM

MF

“ *Dear Stowman Family,*

I am so terribly sorry for your loss of Chuck. May the prayers of others help to bring you strength, comfort and courage each day, Psalm 55:22! Something that has personally helped me cope with the loss of a loved one is Psalm 34:17, 18 and Isaiah 25:8, may these verses bring you comfort too. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

My deepest sympathies,

Munro Family

Munro Family - November 27, 2015 at 02:53 PM

JH

“ I played FB at Valley City State back in the early 80s and my parents developed a great friendship with the Stowman's. Chuck and Jan were great supporters of the university and I knew we could count on them to be in the stands cheering us on. Chuck would always greet me when I was downtown and it meant a lot to know he cared about the young student athletes. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

John Hardy

John Hardy - November 23, 2015 at 11:11 AM

LM

“ Luella Schulz Mikes lit a candle in memory of Charles 'Chuck' Stowman



Luella Schulz Mikes - November 22, 2015 at 11:34 PM

LM

“ I am still in shock as to Chucks Passing... He was a very special person and never met a stranger.. He will leave a big void in so many lives. I loved seeing all the pictures of his life and family... Rest in Peace Chuck,, Hugs and prayers being sent to Jan and the children and grandchildren he loved so dearly...

Ray and Luella (Schulz) Mikes

Luella Schulz Mikes - November 22, 2015 at 11:33 PM

BB

“ *Jan and family,
I was so sorry to hear of Chuck's passing. He
was a great guy with a big heart. My prayers
and thoughts are with your family.*



*I have many fond memories of him from school and also out at the
lake, his cabin was only a couple down from ours.*

He will be missed.

Barbara Pottorff Bosanco

barbara pottorff bosanco - November 22, 2015 at 09:40 PM

DR

“ *Jan & Family,*

*My condolences to you and your family. Chuck was the first kid I
met when my family moved to Valley City the summer before the
6th Grade. My Mom did some work for Chuck's Grandma and Chuck
and I were introduced. Even in those early days Chuck was always
known as a Good Guy. I sure he will be missed by all who have
known him and I will always remember him as he was in those
simple days of our youth.*

David Rygg - November 22, 2015 at 08:56 PM

DT

“ *Jan and Family*

So sorry I can not be at Chuck's funeral due to my health. Chuck and I were good friends since 4th grade. I will surely miss him. He left a legacy of love to all he knew.

Don Thilmony

Don Thilmony - November 22, 2015 at 07:31 PM

RP

“ *Dear Jan & Family*

We were so sorry to hear of Chuck's passing. He was a good banker and a good man. He and I started in banking about same time. We enjoying see you guys at banker's conventions and our trips to Washington DC.

We will keep you in our prayers.

Rick and Betty Pederson

Rick & Betty Pederson - November 22, 2015 at 04:28 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - November 22, 2015 at 03:07 PM

JJ

“ so sorry in your time of loss he was such a good man may god bless you and give you strength during this time

jimsylvester - November 21, 2015 at 10:43 PM

WR

“ Wayne (Class of '64) & Linda Rintoul purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Charles 'Chuck' Stowman.



Wayne (Class of '64) & Linda Rintoul - November 21, 2015 at 08:15 PM

JG

“ Jan and Family: Devon and I were so very sad and so very sorry to hear of the loss of Chuck. He really was a wonderful person and great guy, and we had some great times together when he was on the ICBND board. He was also an incredibly talented banker and a great community leader. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Jim and Devon Goetz

Jim Goeta - November 21, 2015 at 06:29 PM

DP

“ Thinking of you all at this time. Chuck will truly be missed by all on Lake Eunice. We will be praying that God grants you peace and healing for all in the family.
Gary and Debbie Peterson

Debbie Peterson - November 21, 2015 at 08:43 AM

CM

“ Our deepest sympathy Jan and family. Curt enjoyed playing racquetball with Chuck. You all will be in our prayers. Curt and Christine Marshall



C Marshall - November 20, 2015 at 06:36 PM



“ 99 files added to the album Life Tributes



Oliver-Nathan Funeral Chapel - November 20, 2015 at 03:54 PM

LG

We called him "Chuck" back in those early days along 5th Street NW. He lived in his parents' duplex at the end of our block, across the street. Chuck was always fun and invited me and many other friends to watch Roy Rogers movies on his family's new TV set. We didn't have a TV yet at our house. Those black and white photographs on this site show Chuck as I remember him. I remember when his dad, Leo, was Barnes County sheriff. God be with Jan and the family and God bless the memory of a Valley City legend and all-around great person from childhood all the way to 2015.

Larry Gauper - November 20, 2015 at 04:53 PM

LW

“ I was saddened to hear of Chuck's death. As a long time resident of Valley City and teacher for 25 years, I had many occasions to see and visit with Chuck and Jan. My parents had a lake cabin on Lake Ashtabula next to the Stowman cabin too. I know how difficult this loss is for all of you. Please know that my prayers are for peace for you as you grieve the loss of your husband, father, and friend.
LuAnn White

LuAnn White - November 20, 2015 at 12:48 PM

RP

“ After an after-school, 4th or 5th grade playground fight with each other at Ritchie school; Chuck and I became good friends and I always enjoyed seeing him whenever possible. My condolences go out to Jan, Chuck's family and all his other friends! *Bob Powell*

Robert Powell - November 20, 2015 at 12:27 PM

BB

“ We are so sorry to hear about Chuck's passing. Our deepest sympathies to Jan & family.

Bill & Suzie Baumann - Moreno Valley, California

Bill Baumann - November 20, 2015 at 12:06 PM

JR

“ I would like to thank Chuck and the entire family for the love, guidance, and acceptance of my brother into your beautiful family. Chad is one of a kind as well as you Missy. You do not have to ever think, should have, would have could have, you did. Justin my dear boy you are loved. Ayrianna, has said extra prayers for you, truly meant to go your way. Janice ,their are no words to express my feeling for you other than I to am praying. Amy, Casey, same to you and yours. Chuck, you as a husband, father and grandfather, will be DEEPLY, DEEPLY, missed. Rest in peace. Say hi to mom and dad.
jacinta Ring

jacinta ring - November 20, 2015 at 07:46 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Charles 'Chuck' Stowman.



November 19, 2015 at 11:55 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles 'Chuck' Stowman.



November 19, 2015 at 11:34 PM

DM

“ We were very saddened to learn of Chuck's death. Please accept our deepest sympathies during this very difficult time. We will surely remember our great conversations with Chuck and will always remember his quick wit and wonderful sense of humor. Chuck cared so much about others and was quick to ask how I was doing even when his own health was not strong. May God keep the whole Stowman family in his arms as we all grieve at Chuck's passing.

Dave and Beve Melgaard

Dave Melgaard - November 19, 2015 at 08:55 PM

JJ

“ Sending my thoughts and prayers. Jean (Richter) Jacobson

Jean Jacobson - November 19, 2015 at 08:45 PM

KR

“ Dear Jan, Amy, Missy, Casey and families,
Our deepest sympathies to you at this time. He was a remarkable man and has left a lasting legacy. Please know that we are thinking of you and pray for strength.
Cory and Kristi Anderson

Kristi - November 19, 2015 at 08:31 PM

KR

“ Dear Jan and family,
We were so saddened to learn of Charlie's passing. He was a special guy who did so much for Valley City and all who called him a friend. We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. May God keep you in His care. In deepest sympathy,
Karen and Jerry Romness

Karen & Jerry Romness - November 19, 2015 at 06:02 PM



“ Our sympathies go out to Jan and family.

*Kent & Denise Simonsen
Rosebud Lodge
Spiritwood Lake, ND*

Kent Simonsen - November 19, 2015 at 04:49 PM

BB

“ I'm very sorry to learn of Chucks passing. Check was a great mentor to me early in my life. My first job was working with him at Farmers and Merchants. I learned so much from him I will never forget what he has meant to me. I will miss him My thoughts are with all of you in the family. Bob Bergan

Bob Bergan - November 19, 2015 at 01:07 PM

BJ

“ We send our deepest sympathies to Jan and Family at this sad time. Was always a treat to run into you two at various times and places in lake country. May your fondest memories of Chuck support and strengthen you at this sad time.
Bill and Roxanne Jahn

Bill and Roxanne Jahn - November 19, 2015 at 11:33 AM

JA

“ JoAnn & Clay Adams lit a candle in memory of Charles 'Chuck' Stowman



JoAnn & Clay Adams - November 19, 2015 at 11:22 AM

PH

“ Sympathy to you and your family. I have great memories of you two. Chuck has left a good legacy.....he cared about people and his community and it showed all his life. Prayers, Paula Twamley Heinze

paula heinze - November 19, 2015 at 11:02 AM

AN

“ Jan & Family,

Our hearts are with you all at such a difficult time..... We are so saddened for your loss. We are deeply sorry.

*Sincerely,
Kevin & Amy Nelson*



Amy Nelson - November 19, 2015 at 10:14 AM

SS

“ Very good memories of Chuck coming to Cooperstown to visit relatives while growing up and also seeing Chuck in later years was always a joy for me. What a wonderful person he was and I hope the good memories are comforting to the Family. God Bless. Stan Sandvik

Stan Sandvik - November 18, 2015 at 10:49 PM