



Charles Horace Krahnke

January 12, 1934 - April 1, 2023

Charles Horace “Chuck” Krahnke, age 89, of Drummond Island, Michigan, died at his home on April 1, 2023. He was born in Wyandotte, Michigan, on January 12, 1934, to Horace Oscar “Skip” and Florine Isabella (Unger) Krahnke.

Chuck grew up in Wyandotte and moved with his family to Charlevoix, Michigan after World War II. He graduated from Charlevoix High School in 1952 and attended the University of Michigan where he was a member of the Wolverines football team for three years. During summers, he worked for a construction company building runways at Wurtsmith Air Force Base in Oscoda, Michigan. While conducting company banking and payroll duties, he became familiar with a bank teller, Doris E. Wiseley. A shared table at a busy lunch diner sparked the relationship that has lasted until now. Chuck and Doris married on December 29, 1956, in Barton City, Michigan. After completing a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University, Chuck began teaching and coaching at Alcona High School in 1959 where he also became athletic director, taught driver's education, and managed the Barton City summer league baseball team. The family moved to Oscoda in 1967 where he continued teaching at Oscoda High School. Chuck coached many Owls sports including football, basketball, track and field, and tennis. While in Oscoda, he and the family enjoyed boating on the northern Great Lakes piloting the 'Dori K', and Chuck spent many years as an officer in the Coast

Guard Auxiliary. After retiring in 1987, Chuck and Doris moved to Drummond Island where they continued to manage and operate Krahnke's Maxton Point Resort. Chuck and Doris were instrumental in the co-founding of the Drummond Island Lutheran Church. As the church grew Chuck took over many church duties, contributed to the construction of the church, and eventually completed training to become an ordained Deacon and Lay Minister in the mid-1990s. In his late 70s, he stepped down due to health reasons but continued to fill in occasionally over the last several years.

Chuck was a member of the Harrisville Lions Club in Harrisville, Michigan, the Drummond Island Lion's Club, and the Drummond Island Sportsman Club, President of the Drummond Island Clinic Board, and the Drummond Island Chamber of Commerce, during which he was the initial organizer of the annual Drummond Island Golf Classic.

Chuck was an avid outdoorsman. He loved spending time outside and enjoyed all types of fishing, duck hunting, deer hunting, snowmobiling, playing and watching golf, gardening, grilling, and watching sports, especially football, and basketball. He was a loyal University of Michigan Wolverines fan and did his best to root for the Detroit Lions.

Chuck is survived by his wife, Doris Krahnke; son, Keith (Kathy) Krahnke of Pickford, Michigan; daughter, Karen Bacon of Jenison, Michigan; daughter-in-law, Becky Krahnke (Jeff Parr) of Brown City, Michigan; grandchildren, Jason (Sara) Krahnke, Melissa Krahnke, Andrew (Devon) Krahnke, Jessica Bacon, Matthew (Cami) Bacon, and Kristen Krahnke (fiancé Noah Beh); great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Amy, Delanie, "MJ" Matt Jr., and Roman. Also survived by a sister, Gail (Keith) Evans of Traverse City, Michigan; beloved niece, Anita (Mike) Brooks; sister-in-law Sherry Wiseley, along with many other nieces and nephews.

Charles is preceded in death by his parents, Horace and Florine; daughter, Kristen Krahnke; son, Kenneth Krahnke; son-in-law Rennie Bacon, and brothers-in-law John, Donald, and Ralph Wiseley, sisters-in-law Ellen Barton and Jean McKim.

Memorial Service will be held at Drummond Island Lutheran Church on Friday, May 5th, 2023, at 12:30 p.m. Doris and family will be at the church to receive visitors at 11:00 a.m. prior to the service.

Memorial Contributions can be made out to the Drummond Island Lutheran Church, 29515 E. Channel Rd., Drummond Island, Michigan 49726, and/or the Drummond Island EMS and Fire and Rescue, 29934 E. Court St, Drummond Island, Michigan 49726.

Final Resting Place will be at Drummond Island Cemetery.

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation of Pickford, Michigan, is serving the family. Condolences may be left to the family at www.galerfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Drummond Island Cemetery

34318 S Townline Road
Drummond Island, MI 49726

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

MAY 5. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Drummond Island Lutheran Church
29515 E. Channel Rd
Drummond Island, MI 49726

Memorial Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ my deepest condolences to mrs Krahnke thank you and mr krahnke for all the memories and being part of our livea my grandma Hedy Danko grandfather Steve my mother Hattie then me Linda my sons David and Matther and my brother Robert is buried up there and my brother Dave i miss you annd will always have love for you both i wish i could visit drummond one more time especially my brothers gtrave

linda dzickowski - August 25, 2024 at 03:30 PM



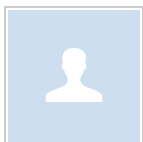
“ my name is Linda Dzickowski my family the Dankos owned the house next door i have an entire childhood at drummond annd many fond memories of Mr Krahnke my brother died in the house and is buried on drummond my son David is visiting sept 9 staying at Papins i cannot make it too many memories and now im just old i wish love and blessings to his family he will always be in my heart

linda dzickowski - August 25, 2024 at 03:15 PM



“ Charles Horace Krahnke

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ Charles Horace Krahnke

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Horace Krahnke.*



May 01, 2023 at 08:17 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Charles Horace Krahnke.*



April 24, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ *I remember fondly the special New Year's Day gatherings we'd have at Uncle Chuck and Aunt Doris' house in Oscoda and several summers on Drummond Island fishing for whitefish with their family. "Everything in moderation" was a quote we heard often, and it has stuck with me all these years as being Uncle Chuck's wise advice. Prayers of peace for Doris, Keith, Karen, my mom Anita, and the entire Krahnke family. - Sharisse (Brooks) Myren and family*

Sharisse Myren - April 18, 2023 at 01:10 PM



“ *Gail & Keith Evans and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles Horace Krahnke.*



Gail & Keith Evans and Family - April 13, 2023 at 11:04 AM

PK

“ *Karen, Jessica, and Matt,
Thank you for sharing with us of the passing last weekend of your
Dad and Grandpa. May you all find comfort with the Right Hand of
the Father above. Isaiah 41:10,13
Our hearts are with you in your grieving.
Paul and Barb.*

Paul and Barbara Knoll - April 08, 2023 at 03:13 PM

GA

“ *Keith and Kathy,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Loved reading about such a
wonderful life!
Joel and Gail*

Gail - April 06, 2023 at 01:34 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Charles Horace Krahnke.*



April 04, 2023 at 08:29 PM