



Mr. Charles Patrick Cowley

September 22, 1946 - April 19, 2015

Charles Patrick Cowley, 68, of Port Huron, passed away on April 19, 2015 after a yearlong battle with ALS.

He was born September 22, 1946 in Port Huron, son of the late Charles A. Cowley and Mary Relken Cowley.

Chuck married Janet A. McMartin on October 25, 1968 in Port Huron.

He was a member of the last graduating class of St. Stephen's High School in 1964. Chuck served our country honorably in the United States Army and spent the majority of his career working for Mary Maxim of Port Huron, retiring after 37 years as the Vice President of Operations.

Chuck had a passion for athletics as a basketball player and softball player. He was an inductee to the Blue Water Area Sports Hall of Fame. He was a devoted Catholic at St. Stephen's Catholic Church both as a parishioner and volunteer. He was also known for having the cleanest cars and best manicured lawn in town.

Chuck took great pride in his work ethic but was the most proud of his grandchildren. Nothing brought a bigger smile to his face more than boasting about their accomplishments.

He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Janet (McMartin) Cowley of Port Huron; daughter and son-in-law, Jill (Chuck) Russell of Port Huron; daughter and son-in-law, Jodi (Jeff) Brockitt of Port Huron; grandchildren: Justin and Jenna Russell, Kayla, Jeffery and Olivia Brockitt all of Port Huron and his great-grandson, Remy Ogilvie and grand dogs, Max and Sophie; sisters and

brothers-in-law, Mary (Robert) Sheehy of Marysville; Christine (Bill) Ketelhut of Port Huron; brother and sister-in-law, Mike (Jeanette) Cowley of Port Huron; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Pete (Jan) McMartin of Prudenville, Michigan; sister-in-law, Barbara (Jeff) Henry of Hastings, Michigan and several nieces and nephews.

Chuck is preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Burel Lumpford.

A Funeral Mass will be held 11:00 a.m. Thursday at St. Stephen Catholic Church, 325 32nd Street, Port Huron. The Father Jeff Allan will officiate.

Visiting hours will be held Wednesday 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Jowett Funeral Home and Thursday 10:00 a.m. until the time of services at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Memorial tributes may be made to Holy Trinity Parish.

A Rosary will be held 7:00 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Veterans Honor Guard Alliance will conduct Military Honors.

You may share a memory with the family or view the obituary at www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Cemetery

Port Huron, MI 48060

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - Port Huron
1634 Lapeer Ave.
Port Huron, MI 48060
(810) 985-5123
jowettfamily@comcast.net
<https://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com>

Visitation

APR **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Stephen Catholic Church
325 32nd Street
Port Huron, MI 48060

Funeral Mass

APR **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MI

“ Chuck was my great Uncle he was probably one on the nicest people i ever knew last year I was very sick a little after he got sick and he would always ask how I was doing i thought that was so nice I went to visit him and we'd always talk about the tigers and stuff I hope your enjoying your self in heaven RIP Uncle Chuck

Miranda - April 24, 2015 at 09:32 AM

JK

“ Janet, Jill, Jodi and Family,

I am praying for Chuck and all of you. Chuck's illness brought us closer together and he had a big influence on my life. The news made me very sad, but it is comforting to know Chuck is in Heaven.

We are out of state, so I am sorry that we will not be attending the funeral. Thank you for letting me be part of his journey to the Lord.

Have a blessed day. Love, John and Ketha Knuth

P.S. Jenna, your Grandpa is so proud of you. Let me know if I can help you in any way.

John Knuth - April 22, 2015 at 10:20 AM

TK

“ Janet, Mike, Mary and families, So very sorry to learn of Chuck's passing. Please know that you and your families are in my thoughts and prayers. Chuck was loved, and he will be missed. Tim Koerber

Tim Koerber - April 22, 2015 at 07:31 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Patrick Cowley.*



April 21, 2015 at 06:20 PM



“ *I remember Chuck from the days when he played basketball for the Business College in Port Huron that my late father coached. He was a great guy....lot's of spirit...my condolences.*

Tim Sanders

Tim Sanders - April 21, 2015 at 09:30 AM



“ *I met Chuck through my daughters, Shawn and Andria, a few times. I know he thought the world of my daughters and I am grateful for his kind heart in making them a part of his life. I like to send my sincere sympathy to his family at this time of sorrow.*

Sandria LaCasse

Sandria LaCasse - April 21, 2015 at 06:32 AM

LH

“ Shortly (2 weeks) after I was employed with Mary Maxims, Chuck being my boss, came to me and said "you are wanted on the phone." Of course he did not say why. I naturally thought it was something to do with my boys. He stood in the lounge watching me and had such a great big SMILE on his face. I will never forget his look and he said "well yes or no?" It was my husband wanting to know if I wanted to go to Hawaii !!!! Doug had already asked Chuck and he said of course I could go. What a great man he was. Jeanette and Mike you were privileged to have him in your lives. May he rest in peace with the ANGELS.

Lora E LaMotte Howe - April 20, 2015 at 09:16 PM

JK

“ I am grateful for Chuck and the impact he had on family and friends. He was a gentle and kind man with a heart of gold. His love for his family was incredible. His willingness to help others was extraordinary. Through his faith, I rejoice in knowing Chuck is alive and well in Heaven. Until we meet again, I will cherish the gift of his legacy.

John Ketelhut

John Ketelhut - April 20, 2015 at 02:26 PM

JW

“ I only new Chuck for 9 years. You couldn't ask for a better neighbor. I had the pleasure of serving on our condo association board with him for 6 yrs. I know one thing for sure some one will be appointed to take his place, but they will never fill his shoes. I feel very lucky to have known him and am going really miss him. Rest in piece my friend. JW

John Wallace - April 20, 2015 at 02:13 PM

SW

“ I was one of Chuck's caregivers, I have never met anyone like Chuck, always polite, please and thank you no matter what he asked for, truly a great soul. I only knew Chuck for a little over a month, but what a wonderful person who was very proud of his family and grandchildren. Always caring about others during his illness. It was a pleasure working for the Cowley's and getting to know them. Rest in Peace Chuck.

Sue

Sue Warchol-Reardon - April 20, 2015 at 01:44 PM



“ Chuck was a joy to work with and a man of true warmth and integrity. All of us who knew his smiling face were happy to see him. God rest his sweet soul!
Sincerely, Marty Juziuk

Martha Juziuk - April 20, 2015 at 01:21 PM

RP

“ I remember Chuck as being one of the kindest and most charming people I'd ever met. He always had a smile us and took an interest in our lives. I will miss him so very much--our loss is heaven's gain. May peace be with you knowing Chuck is at rest now.

Rebecca Paton

Rebecca Paton - April 20, 2015 at 12:01 PM

ML

Jodi, hoping you find peace and love with your family. God Bless.

Mary Lund - April 20, 2015 at 02:55 PM

PS

I am thinking of all of. Please know that you are all in my prayers. When I think of Chuck, I see his happy sparkling eyes and a kind gentle way of speaking. He was a very kind man. Your lives were enriched by him as you enriched his. I hope in time that the memories you all shared together and those that were unique to each of you will warm your hearts and make you smile and bring you solace. Love Penny

Penny Steeby - April 20, 2015 at 07:58 PM

BD

Janet, so sorry to hear of the passing of your loving husband. May your memories of the love you shared keep him close to you forever. Condolences and prayers headed your way. Bev (Butler) Davis

Beverly Davis - April 21, 2015 at 08:22 AM

SH

Jan. Jill and Jodie, no words can tell you how my heart aches for you and your family. Chuck was my boss for 20 yrs. at Mary Maxim and he was truly one of a kind. He could be your boss one minute , your friend the next . His dry sense of humor left you wondering . Chuck was funny,sweet and was always there to say "what can we do to help" when our families were in a crisis. He was a class act. I will miss him.

Sally Heimbach - April 22, 2015 at 07:04 AM