



Charles Jacob Baumann III

July 29, 1944 - May 2, 2017

Charles Jacob Baumann III, 72, of Traverse City passed away Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at Munson Hospice House in Traverse City, surrounded by his family.

Charlie was born on Saturday, July 29, 1944 to the late Dr. Charles J. and Lorraine Elizabeth (Wippich) Baumann, Jr. in Milwaukee, WI. Following graduation from high school he continued his education, earning his associates degree in plastics. Charlie loved his country and proudly served as a member of the U. S. Army Reserves, a post he held for 21 years before retiring. On Saturday, April 1, 1967, he married the love of his life, Cheryl Kay Dehne at a ceremony in Milwaukee, WI. His career path led him to be employed by Johnson Controls, where he worked in their battery division. He was well loved there by his colleagues, many of whom he has kept in touch with over the years. His position led he and Cheryl to live in China with the opportunity to travel to many parts of the world. At the time of his retirement, he was a Quality Assurance Engineer.

Charlie and Cheryl are members of Advent Lutheran Church in Lake Ann, where they were involved with "The Table", a program to provide a meal to the Lake Ann Community. Charlie had a wonderful sense of humor, was an extreme extrovert and always had a smile and hug for those that crossed his path. He enjoyed spending time at his hobby of working in stained glass, but his greatest joy was that of spending time with his family and his beloved granddaughters.

Charlie is survived by his wife Cheryl. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 1, 2017 with a family gathering. He is also survived by his sons, Kief (Julie) Baumann and Charles J. (Jake) Baumann IV beloved granddaughters Hannah and Alexandria Baumann (Kief's daughters)and his brothers and sisters: Warren (Kristin) Baumann and their children, Luke (Bethany) Sara (Alex), Dan (Elizabeth) and Jason (Britni), Dr. Craig (Laurie) and their children Cory (Jessica), Cayla (Amanda) and Annette (Mark) Evans and their children Max and Elliot; the late Dr. Barry (Diane)Baumann and her children, Kristen (Nick) and Brad (Ellen). Also surviving is Cheryl's extended Dehne family and Charlie's extended Baumann

and Wippich families. Charlie was blessed to be the godfather of Erica Liebel, Cecelie Krier and Zane O'Malley, all who survive.

A service celebrating Charlie's life will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017 at The Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home with visitation on hour prior to the service. Pastor Chrysanne Timm of Advent Lutheran Church will officiate. Military rites will follow the service at Veteran's Memorial Park on the campus of The Grand Traverse Commons. The Rev. Daniel LeCouteur and The Rev. Glenn Arlt of Family of Faith Lutheran Church, Charlie's good friends from men's Bible Study, will also officiate.

The family has asked that memorial contributions in Charlie's memory be directed to The Traverse City Chapter of the DAV, 10309 Diamond Park Rd., Interlochen, MI 49643. or online at www.gtadav.us ; Advent Lutheran Church, P. O. Box 249, Lake Ann, MI 49650 or Munson Hospice House c/o Munson Healthcare Regional Foundation, 1150 Medical Campus Dr. Traverse City, MI 49684 or online at www.munsonhealthcare.org;

Please share your favorite memories of Charlie, during a luncheon at the VFW POST on Veterans Drive following the service , as well as thoughts for his family by visiting his tribute page at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com

The family is being cared for by Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Events

MAY **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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MAY **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. Though I did not know him as well as other members of the Baumann clan, he seemed to be a kind and giving person. Seems the entire Bayumann family grew up with all the right qualities. My condolences to Cher and all the family members.

Jim Edmondson - May 21, 2017 at 06:07 PM



“ Much love and condolences to Cher, Kief, Jake, Craig, Warren, Annette and the rest of the family. Given he was a older than all the rest of us, I only recall him being on our family camping trips a few times but here's a photo I took one of those times in the 1960s at Mauthe Lake as we hiked around the lake. It was a real treat to be able to spend time with Charlie & Cher at the tailgate/baseball game for Barry a couple years ago. I'm sure our folks, Charlie & Barry are sharing great stories around a heavenly campfire today as they watch over us and wait for us to join them someday. Many thoughts with you today as you celebrate Charlie's life. Linda Edmondson



Linda Edmondson - May 20, 2017 at 12:08 PM



“ Cher and family: Our heartfelt condolences on Charlie's passing. He was a great friend and coworker and will be missed. I'll never forget the time we spent together in China. It was one of the best adventures I ever had. If there is anything positive about losing a loved one, it's that they're always in your heart and always in your memory. No one can ever take that away. Again, our sympathies.
Craig and Laura Cook

Craig Cook - May 07, 2017 at 07:19 PM



“ Cher, a name from the past, working for Dr. soy! So sorry for your loss! My deepest sympathy to you and family. Helen Northrup Barlow

helen Northrup Barlow - May 07, 2017 at 09:27 AM



“ A kind soul. He always had a hug and a smile. Such a wonderful person. He will be missed. Cher my heart breaks for you. Prayers for you're strength. Peggy Deering

Peggy Deering - May 06, 2017 at 10:53 AM



“ Charlie worked with my husband at Bed Bath and Beyond...loved him the first time I met him..loving and sensitive man...great friend to us all! great host at BBQ...and most of all what I loved about him is how he loved his wife and family..

Meridythe Simmons - May 05, 2017 at 03:33 PM