



Charles "Charlie" Burggraff

August 3, 1924 - April 22, 2009

Charlie was born August 3, 1924 in North Prairie, MN to the late Justus 'Butch' and Barbara Burggraff. He grew up and attended country school in North Prairie, MN. Charlie then worked road construction for a few years, then went to agriculture and welding school. He was united in marriage to Agnes Prokott on October 18, 1949 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Bowlus, MN. The couple diary farmed and raised hogs in Two Rivers Township, East of Bowlus. Charlie was recognized as one of the top 10 hog producers in the 1960's. He was a volunteer Morrison County Deputy from 1964-68. His beloved wife Agnes passed away on November 25, 1970. Charlie married Lorraine Blonigen on December 29, 1972 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in St. Cloud, MN. The couple continued to farm until retiring in 1984 to Royalton, MN. Following his retirement from farming, Charlie drove school bus for the Royalton school district for ten years. His wife, Lorraine passed away on April 23, 1991. Charlie was united in marriage to Catherine M. Leither on September 10, 1993 at St. Paul's Catholic Church in St. Cloud, MN. The couple resided in Royalton until moving to Waite Park in 2008. Charlie loved to dance. That was how he met all of his wives while polka dancing and waltzing. He enjoyed fishing, playing cards, 4-wheeling and deer hunting. Charlie was a 'crack' shot and taught most of his family how to shoot. In his retirement years, he became an excellent wood worker. He was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Royalton until moving to Waite Park and also a member of the St. Cloud Eagles. Charlie died

peacefully surrounded by his loving family.

Charlie A. Burggraff is survived by his wife, Catherine; sons, Bob (Rose) Burggraff of Clearwater, MN; Wayne (Marilyn) Burggraff of Pierz, MN and David (Susan) Burggraff of Sartell, MN; daughters, Janet Kiley of Kalamazoo, MI; Linda (Jim) Justin of St. Stephen, MN; Debra Burggraff of Little Falls, MN and Rebecca (Duane) Klisch of Royalton, MN; brothers, Adrian (Phylis) Burggraff of CA; Justus (Bev) Burggraff of Minneapolis, MN and William 'Bill' (Jackie) Burggraff of New London, MN; sister, Marguerite (Jerry) Lamb of Mammoth, IL; many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Charlie is also survived by his Blonigen family of Fred (Julie) Blonigen; Mark (Jean) Blonigen; Beverly Nett; Jean (Mike) Warren; Diane (Jim) Stadelman; Connie (Tom) Jopp and Michelle (Ross) Kirgiss and the Leither family of Helen (John) Meade; LeRoy Leither; Leon (Mary) Leither and John Leither.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Agnes; wife, Lorraine; son, Jerome Burggraff; sister, Bernadette Borman; brothers, Joe and Ted Burggraff; grandson, Michael Leither and a step-son, Alvin Leither.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 26. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
216 North 2nd Street
Royalton, MN

Visitation

APR 27. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
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Service

APR 27. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles "Charlie" Burggraff



Lemieur Funeral Homes - April 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Charles "Charlie" Burggraff

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ We will all miss Charlie. He was the best. I'm so sorry I couldn't be there for the funeral but wish you all the best.

Love,

Duane##imported-begin##Duane Kiley##imported-end##

April 29, 2009 at 02:04 PM



“ Don and I extend our sincere sympathy to Catherine and to my Burggraff cousins. May God touch your hearts with comfort and peace.

(I am John and Armella Prokott's oldest daughter. John was Agnes's brother)##imported-begin##Joyce (Prokott) Biewer##imported-end##

April 27, 2009 at 07:23 PM



“ Deb: I will talk with you later when all of this has settled down a bit and you really need a friend to talk to. I'll be there for you!##imported-begin##Mary & Scott Hall##imported-end##

April 25, 2009 at 09:08 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Charlie. Charlie was an inspiration with his love of life and energy. He will be missed. Jerry and Dee Torborg##imported-begin##Jerry and Dee Torborg##imported-end##

April 24, 2009 at 09:17 AM



“ Charlie had such a large and wonderful family, I have not had the opportunity to meet most of you but he was a great man, very welcoming of everyone he met. My sympathies obviously to you grandma and to all of Charlie's children.##imported-begin##Jennifer Leither##imported-end##

April 24, 2009 at 01:25 AM



“ My sincere sympathy to all of you. Charlie was such a nice man. Always ready to laugh and tell stories. He always made a person feel welcome. Charlie in his woodwork shop made many beautiful pieces. His bowls that he gave at Christmas. It sits as a center piece on my dining room table. He was "one of a kind" and his faith in God was never questioned. He will be missed. A good father, grandfather, husband, brother and friend. God Bless you all. ##imported-begin##Shelly Leither##imported-end##

April 23, 2009 at 03:58 PM