



Charles Ernest Heit, Sr.

August 24, 1931 - May 15, 2021

Charles Ernest Heit, Sr. of Mesick peacefully went to the Lord Saturday, May 15, 2021 at home in the arms of his wife. He was 89.

Chuck was born August 24, 1931 in Flint to Jack and Anna Heit. He grew up in Flint and worked at General Motors in Flint for 30 years, retiring in 1985. Upon retiring at 53 he moved to Mesick with his wife Sandra in 1988. He had a very good retirement and was able to spend the rest of his life where he always wanted to be.

Charles was so proud to be an Air Force Korean War Veteran and was stationed in Guam. He knew and was part of the Enola Gay history. He came back to the states on the USNS General D.I. Sultan in December of 1951. Airman Charles E. Heit PFC was stationed Chanute Air Force Base when he joined the Air Force Rantoul, Illinois was his Tech School Training Center in June of 1949. He was 18.

Chuck loved hunting, fishing, country music, dancing and golfing with his best friend, Cliff Lanning, who passed in 2012. He also liked Westerns and crossword puzzles. Chuck was a lifetime member of the NRA and AMVETS. He had many friends and was loved by all who met him. Chuck loved his family very much. Chuck loved boxing and was a Golden Gloves Champion in Flint, Michigan.

Over the years he attended Mesick Methodist Church, Harrietta Methodist Church and most recently Minar Bible Church of Mesick.

On June 23, 1988 he married Sandra Joy Popour and she survives him along with his children: Debra (Tom) Meissmer, Charles Heit, Jr. of Las Vegas; stepchildren: Douglas (Bridget) Geiger of Orlando, Florida, Michael Geiger of Flint, Lori Kay (Roger) Burgess of Durand, Mark (Sandy) Geiger of Coral Springs, Florida, Cheryl Ann (Brian) Beckley of Gaylord; grandchildren: David Heit, Kyle, McKenzie, Ethan and Lanie Geiger, Rebecca Geiger, Ronnie Younger, Taylor (TJ) VanKeuren, Quintin Burgess, Jonathon, David, Thomas Geiger, Samantha, Cassandra, Lindsey Beckley, Tyler Gavarinski, Jody Lickfeld; great-grandchildren: Kaitlyn Geiger, Isabella and Lincoln Younger, Alijah Slivinski, Zayn Odden; a brother, Bill Heit of Davison, MI; a sister, Gloria (Jim) Key of Columbiaville, Michigan; many nieces, nephews, cousins and his sweet puppy, Joy.

He is also survived by in-laws: Pete, Gary and David Popour, Donna Osentoski, Sharon Hunter; special friends: John and Valerie Zerbe and Allen and Jan Harris who helped with the many health concerns and medical needs Charles faced.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Ken in 2005.

Per Chuck's wishes cremation has taken place and no services will be held at this time. His final resting place will be Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan.

Memorial contributions may be made Munson Hospice Cadillac Chapter. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

SW

“ Hi Love..Well today I woke up and looked over at who was beside me. Guess what? Joy our beautiful little puppy is the one beside me. She is the only one that comforts me now. So it's your birthday today my handsome,loving man. They say I won't recognize you as my hubby in heaven but I can be your friend. I'd give my life to be your friend. After all where does love (real love) begin? With a friendship that just won't settle for less than the needs that it craves. I needed you and you needed me. We knew that after our long friendship and I consented to be your wife. So the truth comes out. I knew you for a long,long,long time before I could truly be yours. What a roller-coaster ride that was! I'd do it again for the love of you. I will carry that love forever. So happy 93rd birthday "American Eagle. Fly high and just love and remember that you were mine in this life and you will be mine forever for eternity. Tell the others how we missthem all and will never ever forget them and the love they showed us all their lives too. Amen..These kisses are for you Chuck xoxoxoxo. Talk to you later.



Sandra Heit(your wife) - August 24, 2024 at 09:56 PM

TT

This is so sweet. I read your other comments. I know you don't know me or your husband didn't know me, I just ran across this and figured to read it. I started to cry and wanted to read more. I have you in my prayers 🙏 and your family.

TC TUNA - May 10, 2025 at 02:59 AM

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“ PS 000000000000000000XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX. i'M collecting all these when I see you again. Maybe you can't be my hubby in heaven like you were here on Earth, but you will certainly be my friend. That's how it all began on the CB that day you said "I'd like to talk to the Little Blonde" I became your loving wife Mrs. Sandra Joy Heit June 23, 1988, and we had 33 years of blissful love and that was all meant for you and me. I will love you forever..

Sandra Heit - June 26, 2023 at 11:46 AM

SH

Hello love... Today is your birthday. You are 92 here in my world, but I know you are a young man about 32 now in heaven. You are full of strength and love. I feel that love every day when I in my reverie discover another heart of stone. The signs of the love you send me every day, especially when the days are so hard for me when I grieve for the loss of my "American Eagle". You knew how I loved stones when we were vacationing in our country when you were the driver and I was the passenger beside you when we excitedly arrived at the places that we loved. Family was always there to greet us and we knew we were always loved. God was there to greet you when He took away the pain and suffering that you had away from you on May 15, 2021, and I knew I couldn't keep you any longer in our home, but, this I know, you will always be in my heart as long as it beats. I love you and just know, that I know you are watching over me and my loved ones now, just as you protected us while you were here on earth. Happy birthday, darling. xoxox.ps I'm collecting these as you know when I get to see you again. I don't care if you are or not to be my husband then but I will know you the minute I see you. Watch for me! THAT'S HOW STRONG MY FAITH IS. ISAIAH 40:31 your loving wife..Sandy Joy Heit

Sandra J. Heit - August 24, 2023 at 10:25 AM

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“ Hi Baby, Well today you would have been 91. You said you were going to live to be 100. What happened? I guess you were just too tired and too ill to stick around that 11 more years. I don't blame you for going home to a much better place. I would if I could. The kids all need me now, especially Mike. He loved you so. He wears most of the clothes you left behind, and he wears them with pride.. It's true, we brought nothing into this world and we certainly cannot take anything with us when we leave it.. We went to Red Lobsters today to celebrate your birthday and your life. I ate scrimp scampi. They didn't have your favorite mai mai fish. You should see the price of their meals now! It didn't matter to me tho, cause I want what I want when I want it! You know me! I miss you so much and I give your picture kisses every day and every night. You send me hearts of love. You said in your card I just read you will take my love into eternity with you and you certainly did! Well I got to go now. Talk to you soon you handsome love of my life. Your "little blonde" xoxoxoxo. I'm going to give you a thousand more when I see you.

Sandra Joy Heit - August 24, 2022 at 05:10 PM

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“ My love, it has been 2 months since you left this earth and I see the heart stones you want me to see when I feel sad. I put you and my initials on them and put them in my window box. I miss you so much and every day I spent with you was a blessing, especially at the end of your journey to peace. RIP dear love of mine, my soul-mate and I'll try not to weep as much as I have cause I want you to be at peace yourself. You didn't take your love for me with you cause it remains in my heart
Chuck...xoxo

Sandra Heit - July 20, 2021 at 03:12 PM

DG

“ Chuck,
You took such good care of your BFF , Wife, our Mother Sandra,
and we loved you for that. You always had a firm handshake or hug
and a smile when we got to see you and Mom up north. May you
rest-in-peace and we will meet again our Stepdad and more
importantly, our Friend. The pearly gates are wide open for you,
spread your wings and fly, fly, fly.

Doug & Bridget Geiger - June 07, 2021 at 08:29 PM

JH

“ May my dear cousin Chuck rest eternally in the arms of our Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ. I remember Chuck as always being
sweet,kind and smiling. The last time I saw him at our family reunion
we had a really nice visit. He seemed to really enjoy seeing
everyone. I'
m so thankful I was able to spend time with him. Love and prayers
for his family.

Joyce Hall - May 23, 2021 at 08:58 PM

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“ Chuck was my friend,my sweetheart,my soul mate,my lover and my
husband all wrapped in one. He treated me with the respect and
love that surpassed all my desires. RIP my love. I will miss you and
I loved you with a passion no one else could have given you. You
needed me and I needed you. Your loving wife Sandy xoxox

Sandra Heit - May 20, 2021 at 06:52 PM

JK

“ Chuck was the best BROTHER anyone could have. He had a heart if Gold, and was always there when you needed him. We had such wonderful, happy, fun times shared with Him. Our Children and Grandchildren dearly Love him and we will all dearly Miss Him and his loving ways. Brother & Sister, Jim & Gloria Key

Jim & Gloria Key - May 20, 2021 at 06:11 AM

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Jim & Gloria Key - May 20, 2021 at 06:11 AM

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Hi love, well today is the day that you left this earth and took that trip to heaven. I will be there today to touch your beautiful marble covering. Your ashes are there but I know that your spirit and soul are right next to Our Lord. You believed that there was a better place to be when you got sick. All I know is that you aren't in physical pain anymore. I also know that your heart and love will always be a part of me. I find all the heart stones you want me to see when I'm having a hard time accepting that you are gone from my sight. When I was packing the car to go downstate your picture when you and I were on Lake Michigan when we were on our honeymoon appeared to me and I realized that that picture was in my back seat window all the time. It was as if you wanted to say to me "I am here with you, and I will watch over you always. In that picture, you looked about 32 and you were 57! I love you, my love. I WILL TALK TO YOU SOON. yOUR LITTLE BLONDE ...Sandy xoxoxo

Sandra Heit - May 15, 2022 at 07:51 AM

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I was there, you handsome man!! I touched the marble stone that covers your columbarium. I pictured you as you are now a young sweet loving man next to Our Lord in heaven where you deserve to be at peace. You suffered so here on this earth with all your health issues. Some of them only I knew about. You always listened to your doctors and me tho. Not once did you say " No, I'm not going " to the doctors, or to the hospital? You were always so brave and never feared anything! What a man's man you were!! I was so proud to be your wife and I still am. There can never be anybody else in my life again. That's my promise to you, my love. My "American Eagle". God,I love you so much, and I will always look for the day that I will see you again. The kids are all looking after all my needs and I am doing okay, but you know how I really hurt when I think that I will never see you here on earth, but I will always see you in my dreams as I do every night. I know and feel you holding me and comforting me. I see every "heart" that you leave for me. I kiss your picture every night and day just as you kissed me every nite and day. I will talk to you soon my prince charming. I certainly was a lucky girl when I met you. Every little girl dreams of her Prince Charming. I had mine right here on earth! xoxo

Sandra Heit - May 23, 2022 at 11:30 AM

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Hi, my sweet loving man. I was not at home when it was our wedding anniversary, so I didn't get to go to dinner. I was with our Mike at Becca's. Then we went to Flint to be with your family for your brother Bill's memorial. And now there is one left. Please watch over Glo, cause she hurts so much at the loss of her family. She knew you and loved you before me and I know you loved all your family and mine. Forever is a long time. I only had 33 years of happiness in our marriage, but I had you in my dreams long before that. I came along cause you needed me more than anyone but I and God know. I felt the hurt you did when some of your own deserted you. That was not right. You are such a good man, you fought for your country and were such a gentle man, no one will ever experience the love you felt for me but only me, that's why it is so hard to believe you are not with me. I will love you forever my true love. Thank you and God for all the heart stones I find, when I'm sad and when I'm sad. I don't have to look very hard for them either. I just look down and there they are shining like gold for me to pick up and feel the loving touch of your hand. I love you American Eagle. Ronnie has your ham equipment now and he is 'the eagle'. He said that there was only one of the 'The American Eagle' and he wanted to honor that name always. He talked to a man who knew you on the radio. What a wonderful world. Ronnie is your grandson married to Becca., Mike's daughter. Well, it is time to say "See you later. Never goodbye for you will live in my heart forever. Your loving wife Sandy Joy Heit...ps Joy says hello to you too. I can see it in her eyes when she misses you. She will be 7 this year. arf arf from the Poupster..

Sandra Heit - June 26, 2023 at 11:24 AM