



Charles "Chuck" Mason

October 7, 1932 - December 16, 2024

Charles "Chuck" Mason passed away Sunday, December 16, 2024. He was born October 7, 1932, in Selma, Alabama to Frank J. and Lena Harwell Mason.

Chuck was raised in Detroit, Michigan and spent his early years there with summers spent visiting relatives in Selma, Alabama. He graduated from high school in 1951 and joined the United States Air Force the same year. His career in the Air Force was as a Communication Maintenance Technician from which he retired with the rank of Master Sergeant in 1975. During his military career, he served war eras assignments in Korea and Vietnam. Chuck was assigned to Forbes Air Force Base in 1960 and there met his future wife, Patty M. Davis, a marriage that has lasted for 60 years.

Chuck enjoyed traveling and his Air Force career offered him the opportunity to visit a number of foreign countries. Fortunately, his wife Patty also enjoyed seeing other parts of the world and their travel continued after his retirement from employment with the State of Kansas in 1992.

Chuck was most proud of his family, his Air Force career, graduating from college in 1973 with a BA in Sociology, his Alabama roots, and his decision to become a vegetarian in 1987. In addition, he enjoyed spending time exercising and visiting with friends at the Downtown YMCA.

Additionally, he enjoyed being a reader at Masses at Mater Dei Assumption and St. Matthew Catholic Churches. He enjoyed listening to jazz music, volunteering at the Community Thanksgiving Dinner and at St. Francis Hospital. Chuck strived to live by the motto, "service is the rent one pays for living."

Survivors are his; two children, Scott Mason of New York City, Kelly of Topeka; two grandchildren, Desaray Morton and Tyler Lewis; and three great-great grandchildren, Kierra, Santana, and Malyiah.

Chuck is preceded in death by his wife, his parents, brother, Frank Mason, Jr., and sister, Joyce Marie Mason Smith.

Graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 4, 2025, at Mount Hope Cemetery, 4700 SW 17th Street, Topeka KS 66604.

Memorial contributions may be made to Charles & Patty Mason Scholarship at Topeka Community Foundation or St. Matthew Catholic Church, in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Condolences may be sent online at www.kevinbrennanfamily.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Hope Cemetery

4700 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SL

“ I remember all the wonderful times mom and dad had with Ms. Patti and Mr. Chuck. Just hanging out and being the best roll models of what married life should be like. We are truly saddened by his passing, and send our condolences to the family.

Sincerely~The Lane Family

S. Lane - February 12, 2025 at 06:14 PM

DS

“ Cousin Charles was a dear friend that I was blessed to get to know during the Pandemic. I'll miss our long talks on the phone about his growing up as an East sider in Detroit. Growing up here myself, and being third generation, I could relate to much of his experience. He was always kind and concerned about others. I learned a great deal from him, and will miss him dearly.

Rest well, Charles! I pray to live in such a way that I'll see you in eternity some day!

Dexter, Jr.

Dexter Sullivan - January 06, 2025 at 12:16 AM

DS

*Detroit**

Dexter Sullivan - January 06, 2025 at 12:17 AM

LM

“ Sending my condolences to Mr Mason’s family. I met him at St. Matthew’s. We were readers and Eucharistic Ministers. I loved running into him at St. Francis too. He always had kind words to say. May he rest in peace.



Lisa Mendoza - January 04, 2025 at 11:25 AM

KH

“ Scott and Kelly, I am very sad to hear about Chuck’s passing. Your father was a very special and caring person. He will be greatly missed. I hope that your memories of your father will bring you comfort. You and your families are in my thoughts and prayers.

Karen Holzmeister - January 03, 2025 at 10:50 AM

NK

“ My deepest condolences to Patty and the family. He was such a great human being. I always enjoyed visiting with him and Patty at church. He was great at proclaiming the word of God. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. My prayers are with you. Netti Kostecki

Netti Kostecki - December 17, 2024 at 12:55 AM

CT

Chuck Mason was the perfect example of a gentleman and a good, kind and faithful Christian. He will be missed at his faith community of St Matthew’s Catholic Church.
The Townsend & Herman
Family

Connie Townsend - December 18, 2024 at 04:05 PM

LS

Mason Family,

Chuck was the perfect example of a true gentleman in every way. He was always very kind and considerate in his demeanor with everyone he came in contact with him. He will be missed by all.

Laynard (Lanny) Shearer, Lt. Col. KHP (Ret.)

Laynard L Shearer - December 25, 2024 at 04:42 PM

LT

To the entire Charles Mason Family our condolences are extended.

We're sorry for your loss!

Chuck, Patty and my wife Marva for an extended number of years attended WU football, basketball and community concerts. He will be missed and remembered. Chuck's interests were in education, current events and generally being aware of life. He was a kind and patient individual in every regard. Chuck was an avid sports fan. He played football while in High school in Detroit Michigan, Eastern high school, we all attended that same school. Chuck was an ice skater himself, and followed the Detroit Red wings with interest. He regularly played racquet at the downtown YMCA.

Leo Taylor - December 28, 2024 at 04:32 PM