



## Charles R. Thompson

June 13, 1950 - February 25, 2023

Charles R. Thompson, 72, of Greene, Iowa, passed away Saturday, February 25, 2023, at Avera St. Anthony's Hospital in O'Neill, Nebraska.

A public visitation will take place from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, March 2, 2023, at Counsell Woodley Funeral Home in Greene. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, March 3, 2023, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Greene with an additional hour of visitation at the church prior to the service. Burial will take place at Rose Hill Cemetery in Greene.

Charles "Chuck" Roy Thompson was born to Verne Roy and Leota (Hearn) Thompson in Charles City, IA on June 13, 1950. He grew up on the family farm driving tractors and farm machinery from a young age and had the opportunity to work building roads near Ames. On September 11, 1968 he enlisted in the Army engineers and served in Vietnam as part of the 572nd light engineers near Bao Loc driving his 6 by 6 10 ton truck clearing trees and building highway 20.

Upon discharge from the Army Chuck settled back in Greene. A mutual friend set him up on a date with Carolyn Thomason and the two were united in marriage on January 11, 1974. Little did they know the adventure God would take them on when they took their vows. They were blessed with twins, Shawn and Dawn, on November 15th, 1976.

Chuck enjoyed farming the family farm and welding in his free time. Chuck also worked as a rural mail carrier for the United States Postal Service. He designed and built a couple 4-person pedal cars that the family enjoyed together. On July 4th, 1993 his daughter Dawn died in a car accident within a mile of the family farm triggering Shawn's bipolar disease. Despite difficulty and tragedies in life Chuck and Carolyn had a loving, enduring relationship depending on Christ and supporting each other.

During his retirement Chuck enjoyed reading, going out to movies and concerts, and going out to eat with Carolyn till her death February 26th, 2022. He then moved to Nebraska, living at the Country Lane Assisted Living in O'Neill, NE and spending time with Shawn and wife Kim and his grandchildren Caleb and Genny. He was blessed his remaining 7 months getting to see Shawn almost daily and grilling steaks with the family each Sunday night.

Chuck was preceded in death by his wife Carolyn, daughter Dawn, his parents, brother Bill Thompson and by his sister Jill Gillespie.

He is survived by his son Shawn (Kim) Thompson and his grandchildren Caleb and Genevieve.

What Chuck believed can be summed up in the words spoken by General Robert E. Lee, "I can only say that I am nothing but a poor sinner, trusting in Christ alone for salvation."

Counsell Woodley Funeral Home of Greene is caring for Chuck and his family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Greene - Woodley Funeral Home  
519 N 1St St  
Greene, IA 50636  
(641) 823-4457

## Visitation

MAR 3. 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM (CT)

St Peter Lutheran Church  
324 E Traer St  
Greene, IA 50636

## Service

MAR 3. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St Peter Lutheran Church  
324 E Traer St  
Greene, IA 50636

# Tribute Wall



“ Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles R. Thompson



Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory - March 03, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ Shawn and family, sorry for your loss! Always remember Chucks brite smile 😊❤️

Vicki Majewski - March 02, 2023 at 07:24 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Charles R. Thompson.



March 02, 2023 at 11:09 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Charles R. Thompson.



March 01, 2023 at 09:19 AM

GD

“ Our condolences. Chuck was a good friend in high school. Good memories.

Gary Debner

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**Gary Debner** - February 28, 2023 at 10:36 AM

SB

“ The Astor kids offer their sincere sympathies to Chuck's family.

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**Susie Astor Brinkley** - February 27, 2023 at 10:30 PM

JB

“ My condolences to the family. I will never forget the church trip to Virginia Beach he chaperoned. We visited the Vietnam Memorial along the way and listening to him speak about his friends and experiences during that time are unforgettable. A few of us helped locate some names so he could do a pencil rub. I learned a lot about him during that trip. He was an awesome person and will surely be missed. RIP Chuck.

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**Jason Brinkman** - February 27, 2023 at 08:20 PM

LD

“ Sending my deepest sympathy to the family. I have lots of fond memories of Chuck as I spent childhood time at their home. What a neat guy. Lyna Debner

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**Lyna M Debner** - February 27, 2023 at 12:25 PM