



Charles J. Vesely

June 1, 1937 - January 25, 2019

Charles J. Vesely, Jr. of The Villages passed away Friday, January 25, 2019, after a short illness at the age of 81.

After graduating from Valley Stream Central (NY) High School, Charlie joined the military. He served in the Army and was a member of the Green Beret, Special Forces, Ranger and Airborne Units. He left active duty and served in the NY National Guard until age 65. While serving he received his BA and Masters Degree in Education and went on to enjoy a long career as teacher and then as Dean of Students at Flushing High School. In 2003, he and his wife, Kate, retired to Hawaii where they enjoyed the Hawaiian weather and culture. In 2016, they moved to The Villages, FL to be closer to family. It was in The Villages that Charlie really learned to play golf, a game he truly enjoyed. His genuine smile, quick wit and wonderful stories (Charlie-isms) will be remembered fondly by his military colleagues, friends and the many students whose lives he profoundly influenced.

Charlie leaves behind his loving wife of 46 years, Kathleen. Also survived by his children, Mary (Ken) Maszy, Charles III (Genevieve), and Christopher (Linda). He is further survived by his grandchildren and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his son, Thomas.

A Celebration of Charlie's life will be held on Monday, February 4th from 11

AM - 12 noon at Beyer Funeral Home, Lady Lake. A short prayer service will immediately follow. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held in New York with burial at Calverton National Cemetery, New York. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Charlie's name to Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, FL

Tribute Wall

GM

“ I wanted my son to meet a real Army guy, a real soldier and Charles was the one! My son and I visited Charlie and Kate on December 22 before my son went back to basic training and now Charlie has passed away to be with his son Tommy! Charlie touched the many lives of his students of whom he still kept in touch. My son doesn't know yet, that he has passed on. I will tell him soon when I see him that a great guy has left this earth as we know it.

Gloria Marsilia - February 06, 2019 at 04:19 PM

CC

“ So sad to hear of Charles passing. I always looked forward to talking with him at the gym at Rohan. He always had a smile on his face and a story if you had the time. A true warrior and professional soldier. I salute you Charles.

Charles Cook - February 02, 2019 at 04:38 PM

DS

“ I worked with Charlie at Flushing H.S. for many years and was sad to hear of his passing. He was always concerned for the students and many graduates would return seeking his advice. I personally enjoyed our conversations about his days with the military and the many e-mails he shared with me over the years. A true gentleman and American hero, he will be greatly missed.

Dan Schwab - January 31, 2019 at 11:07 PM

AK

“ Mrs. Vesely and children: I was shocked to learn from a friend that Charlie had passed. He and I were colleagues at Flushing High and communicated via e-mail. He let me know he was going for heart surgery on Wednesday. You may find an e-mail get well card on his internet. A good and forthright man and a pleasure to know.

Alberta Kanya - January 31, 2019 at 04:28 PM

PA

“ Was a great man and soldier. Served with him in National Guard and learned a lot from him, He will be missed.

patrick g andrews - January 31, 2019 at 04:10 AM

SG

“ Our condolences to your family. It was a great honor to serve with Charles when I was a Private at the Leeds armory. I learned a lot from him and enjoyed his humor. Rest easy warrior we have it from here. The boys from Leeds will always remember you.

SFC John & Maritza Gallo - January 30, 2019 at 10:08 PM

KC

“ My heart is so saddened to hear of Charles passing. He always made me smile and laugh with his jokes. He was like family to us at the gym and we will all miss him very much. Kim

Kimberly Counts - January 30, 2019 at 02:28 PM

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Kimberly Counts - January 30, 2019 at 02:21 PM