



## Charles Kachulis

June 14, 1945 - June 25, 2009

Charles M. Kachulis of Clive, formerly of Cedar Falls, died Thursday, June 25 at his home, due to ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease).

He was born June 14, 1945, in Waterloo to Barney and Elsie Kachulis.

He graduated from Waterloo West High School in 1963 and received an Associates Degree in Electronics from Waterloo Technical School in 1965. He served on the U.S.S. Kitty Hawk in the Gulf of Tonkin during the Vietnam War. He married Ruth Ann Shriver on September 10, 1967 in West Des Moines. They were divorced in 1994.

He worked for Engineered Equipment and later for ALO Corporation of which he became owner in 1991, retiring in 2004. Chuck loved the outdoors, sailing, biking, trout fishing and organic gardening as well as traveling. He was a good friend to many, always had a desire to learn and was always eager to strike up a conversation.

Survived by three daughters, Carol Anderson (Sam) of Urbandale, IA, Emily Kachulis (Randy) of Cedar Falls, and Rachel Busch (Kevin) of Urbandale; three sisters, Karen Flann (Homer) of Alexandria, VA, Sarah Shirley of Covington, KY, and Jane Kachulis of Alexandria, VA; four grandchildren; and a special companion, Elaine Appleby.

Preceded in death by his parents.

Services will be held 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Cedar Falls Mennonite Church, with inurnment at a later date in Hillside Cemetery, Cedar Falls. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at Richardson Funeral Home (266-3525).

Memorials may be directed to the Robert Packard Center for ALS Research at Johns Hopkins, 100 North Charles Street, Suite 408, Baltimore, Maryland, 21201.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dear Emily,  
I happen to read about your father's death in the Manchester Press.  
My sympathy to you and your family.  
Kathy from The Quiltmaker's Shoppe, Manchester*

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July 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss Emily, Rachel, Carol and family. I hadn't  
seen your dad since I was little, but he was such a nice man. I will  
keep your families in my prayers. Emily, it was so nice to see you  
the other day. God Bless.*

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June 30, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *To Chuck's family: I had lost touch with Chuck after selling our  
ready-mix bussiness in 2003 but prior to that had several bussiness  
dealings with him and appreicaited his honesty as well as ability to  
anylyze a problem. He was a man of integrity.*

*We had many great talks over the years and greatly value having  
known him.*

*Keith Harlan*

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June 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Charles was a wonderful man as I remember him.

*Rebecca Buchanan  
Education and Research Director  
Ozark Research Institute*

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June 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Randy and Emily,  
Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Chuck was a man of integrity and honesty. His life lessons and way of analyzing a situation I will always remember. God's blessings be upon all of you.

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June 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ That picture of Chuck is just how I remember him. That smile was contagious! So many wonderful memories...what a great dad you all had growing up. He will surely be missed - but the life lessons (and his special way of delivering them, "you see") will always be remembered.

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June 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Emily, Randy and Chuck's entire family please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. We're sorry we won't be able to be with you at this difficult time. Everyone that knew Chuck will miss him dearly. Our deepest sympathy goes out to all of you. Sandy & Reed Carlson

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June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you girls and all his family that will miss Chuck very much. Especially the grandchildren because I bet he was an interesting Grandpa with all his wit and humor.*  
*Randy's Mom*

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June 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM