



Charles C. Shotton

September 19, 1937 - April 12, 2024

Charles C. Shotton, 86, of Bowling Green, passed away Friday, April 12, 2024 in Louisiana, Missouri. He was born in Denver Colorado, on September 19, 1937 to Paul C. Shotton and Daffron Givens Shotton. His family moved to California and later to Pike County where he grew up and graduated from Louisiana High School in 1955. He married Helen (Page) Shotton in June 1963 enjoying 33 years together before she preceded him in death. Also deceased his first wife Marlene Orf. Others preceding his passing were his two siblings Lloyd (Buddy) Shotton of High Ridge, Charlene (Jackie) Marshall of Vandalia and his aunts Kathryn Shotton and Frances (Shotton) Carfagno. Charles has 3 children: Chris (Ilona) Shotton of Blue Springs, Bobbette Shotton Schaefer of Columbia, and Boyd (Theresa) Shotton of Bowling Green. His grandchildren are Meghann Woodward, Matthew Shotton, Madelyn Shotton and Cale Shotton.

Charles had a varied career including work as a lineman after graduation, the Army Reserves, welding for Hercules and being a member of the Pipe Fitters Union. He also worked over the road as a welder. This skill led him to teaching many youths and adults at Pike Lincoln Technical Center, Lewis and Clark Career Center and St. Charles Community College until he retired. His love for teaching allowed him many more years substituting for Bowling Green High School as well. Once officially retired, he continued to volunteer for the Pike County Fair Board and Pike Co-Food Bank.

He loved the outdoors spending time throwing horseshoes, bee keeping,

hunting and fishing with his family and good friends. If he was not home, he could be on the river in his camper or pulling it to a vacation spot. All who knew Charlie loved his artistic ability too. He was a master flintknapper and could make the most beautiful arrow heads, welded sculptures and animals, made apple butter and wood carving of decoys, fish and other wildlife. He was never idle and still making primitive folk art with wood until his passing. Charlie will be greatly missed by his family and many friends. May you rest in peace Dad.

A Celebration of Life will be from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm at Collier's Funeral Home in Louisiana on Monday, April 15th, 2024. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Pike County Home Health & Hospice or Pike Lincoln Technical Center for the Welding program in his memory.

Tribute Wall

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“ I’ve known Charlie for about 35 years. I met him when he was a welding instructor at Lewis and Clark Career Center. I would hire his students. He would come through our shop and check on how his students were doing and bring students on tours of our shop. One day he came in and told me he was retiring. Though our conversation I mentioned I was looking for a place to deer hunt, not knowing he had any property. He invited me up to his property to hunt with him, his family and friends. The last 24 years at deer camp have been some of the most enjoyable experiences in my life. I told Charlie the main reason I come up there is so him, his family and friends would rub off on me and make me a better person, because they’re such a warm and caring group of people only concerned about each other. He always made everyone feel welcome. Generous and upstanding. He was a great man and friend. I loved his quick wit and dry sense of humor. He will be missed.

Donald Bell - April 17, 2024 at 09:07 PM

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“ My condolences to the family of my childhood classmate.
Larry Bono

Larry Bono - April 17, 2024 at 07:41 AM