



Charles L. "Chuck" Nichol

July 31, 1937 - March 25, 2021

Charles L. "Chuck" Nichol died Thursday, March 25, 2021 at Good Shepherd Health Center in Mason City at the age of 83.

A memorial service will be held 10:00am Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at Hogan Bremer Moore Colonial Chapel, 126 3rd St. NE, Mason City, with Pastor Kathy Graves of Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Committal services will follow in Rose Hill Cemetery, Greene.

Visitation will be held Monday evening, March 29, from 5:00pm until 7:00 pm at Hogan Bremer Moore Colonial Chapel.

Charles "Chuck" Nichol was born to Ina (Richeson) and Leonard Nichol on July 31, 1937 in Green Mountain, Iowa. He graduated from Greene high school in 1956 and Wartburg College in 1960.

Chuck began teaching science and social studies as well as coaching in Correctionville, IA, Clarksville, IA, Lake Mills, IA and eventually Mason City High School for 21 years. Chuck coached football, boys and girls track, and also started two girls' basketball programs in Lake Mills and Mason City. In 1972 he received an award for such programs. Chuck was honored by the 2013 Girls State Basketball Tournament as a model of sportsmanship and decorum for Mason City High School and its community.

Chuck was an avid fisherman and went to great detail in planning his fishing adventures, including trips to Canada. He was also an avid Iowa Hawkeye fan, and loved to travel. Chuck had a deep faith and took comfort in his faith family at Trinity Lutheran Church.

He is survived by first cousins, Larry (Sharon) Somers, Harold (Joyce) Nichol, Jr., Averil Lee, Sherri (Tom) Ryan, and Betty Butler; as well as by a special cousin, Lori Somers; and close family friend, Jolene Mittelstadt.

Chuck is preceded in death by his parents and several aunts and uncles.

Cemetery

Events

Rose Hill Cemetery

Greene, IA,

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Visitation

05:00PM - 07:00PM

Hogan Bremer Moore Colonial Chapel

126 Third Street Northeast, Mason City, IA, US, 50401

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Memorial Service

10:00AM

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126 Third Street Northeast, Mason City, IA, US, 50401

Comments



“ I coached against Coach Nichol in Girls Basketball when he was at Lake Mills and Mason City and I was at Riceville. His teams played hard and exhibited good sportsmanship, no doubt because of his strong influence. It was a privilege to know Chuck.

Mark McCright - July 09 at 10:39 AM



“ Coach Nichol was my track coach at MCHS. My favorite memory is riding with him, a teammate and the teammate's mom to the state indoor track meet. He was pretty quiet, but the teammate's mom sure wasn't, and we found out more about Coach in those two hours than we had in the past three years!
He also made sure we were taken care of by bringing burgers, hot dogs, sides and a grill to every away meet, instead of picking up fast food on our way home. The school provided a set dollar amount for meals and I imagine he and the other coaches contributed funds because we never ran out of food!

Deb O - April 07 at 10:21 AM



“ My sympathy to the family and friends of Coach Chuck Nichol. I remember him as my football and track coach in the mid to late 1960's.. He guided his teams and players to do the best we all could do and later in my life.. My he rest in peace.

Tom Westendorf

Tom N Westendorf - March 30 at 01:43 PM



“ Coach Nichol started our High School Girls Basketball program in Lake Mills, 1972. Since he had been know as a hard nosed successful Football Coach, we were scared of this carry over to girls basketball. But there could not have been a better pick, his coaching has influenced my own and my drive for playing basketball beyond High School. Hard work and a winning attitude is what he taught best. I will always remember him with great respect and wonderful memories. Especially how red his face would get due to some girl joke we would play on him.
Rest in Peace Coach
Terri Helgeson Craft

Terri Craft - March 30 at 12:41 PM



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Hogan Bremer Moore Colonial Chapels - March 30 at 12:11 PM



“ Coach was always a respected and respectful leader of young people. He was my/our coach on an undefeated, # 1 ranked 1972 Lake Mills Bulldog football team. His mentorship inspired all of us to achieve great things. That particular football team completed a wonderful season, only to be shut out of the 1st Iowa Football Playoffs by some unfortunate High School Association rules. Nevertheless, we proudly remember that season and THE COACH!
In a college English class, we were asked to write a paper on 'Motivation'. I chose to write my paper on Coach Nichol. I also chose to become a teacher and football and basketball coach...for both boys and girls. Coach will always be remembered for the positive leadership he exhibited to hundreds and hundreds of young men and women.
RIP Coach,
Denny Honsey
Lake Mills Bulldogs class of '73.

Denny Honsey - March 30 at 09:41 AM



“ My sympathy to the family and friends of Coach Chuck Nichol, I always enjoyed covering his teams and talking sports with him. Rest In Peace Chuck!

Tim Fleming - March 28 at 06:04 PM