



Charles Michael Tschanz

January 5, 1949 - January 23, 2025

Charles was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin on January 5, 1949, the son of the late Willard and Kathryn (Thorpe) Tschanz.

Chuck graduated from Marquette University in Mechanical Engineering at the top of the class and was asked to give the Graduating

Commencement. While at Marquette he was on a 5-year work-study program with International Harvester where he later began his full-time engineering career and ended up being the Vice President of the USA Technical Center for Komatsu America International Company. It was at Marquette where he met his college sweetheart and later married his wife, Anne (Farrell) Tschanz. He was a member of Prince of Peace Parish where his four children attended school. Chuck loved his church and parish school. He became a school board member for many years.

Later the family joined St Paul the Apostle Church, Gurnee where he became a Communion Minister, worked with his wife at the Blessed Trinity Food Pantry, and joined the Bible Study group.

Chuck was a quiet and unassuming man. He hated titles except for husband, father, and grandfather which he adored. He enjoyed working with things that didn't work and fixing them. Almost everything in our house had a manual on how to fix from cars to appliances. His greatest sorrow was that there was no manual for raising children. We had to wing it with the Lord's help and felt we

did a great job. His hobbies were woodworking, astronomy, reading, biking, and many more.

He is survived by his wife Anne (Farrell) Tschanz, sons Matthew (Julie) Tschanz, Michael(Elizabeth A)Tschanz, Peter (Jenna) Tschanz, daughter Colleen(Donny)Tschanz Chia, and grandchildren Kara, Jonathan, Juliana, Bradley, Ella, Tommy, Everett, Katie, Leighton, and Mila. He is also survived by his brothers John(Rita) Tschanz and Tom(Anne) Tschanz and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his sister Mary Kay Tschanz

Visitation will be at Ringa Funeral Home, Lake Villa, IL from 4-8 pm on Friday, January 31, 2025. Mass will be Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 9:30 am at St. Paul The Apostle Church, Gurnee. Burial will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville, IL.

Cemetery Details

Ascension Catholic Cemetery

IL Route 137 and Saint Mary's Road
Libertyville, IL 60048

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 356-2146
info@ringafuneralhome.com
<https://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

FEB 1. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Paul the Apostle
6401 Gages Lake Rd
Gurnee, IL 60031

Burial

FEB 1 (CT)

Ascension Catholic Cemetery
IL Route 137 and Saint Mary's Road
Libertyville, IL 60048

Tribute Wall



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.*



May 11, 2025 at 03:25 PM



“ *Dear Tschanz Family,
Chuck and I shared many experiences as fellow engineers at IH, Dresser, and Komatsu America.
I have many fond memories of our interactions throughout those many years. Chuck made many professional contributions to the multitude of engineering and organizational challenges we all faced together throughout our careers. Chuck's ongoing optimism, wisdom and kindness was always evident and served us well.
He was a true gentleman, a good man, a "nice guy" ,and he will be missed by many.
May God welcome Chuck to his heavenly reward, and continue to bless his earthly family.
With our sincerest sympathies,
Bernie & Mary Winker*

Bernard Winker - January 31, 2025 at 07:48 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.*



January 30, 2025 at 05:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.*



January 30, 2025 at 02:18 PM



“ *Tony and Cordelia Kudia purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.*



Tony and Cordelia Kudia - January 30, 2025 at 01:54 PM



“ *George & Jody Schreiber planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Michael Tschanz.*

George & Jody Schreiber - January 30, 2025 at 11:29 AM

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“ George & Jody Schreiber purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



George & Jody Schreiber - January 30, 2025 at 11:29 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



January 29, 2025 at 07:07 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



January 29, 2025 at 01:25 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles Michael Tschanz.

January 29, 2025 at 01:25 PM

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“ From John and Rita and Family Tschanz purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



From John and Rita and Family Tschanz - January 28, 2025 at 10:09 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



January 28, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



January 28, 2025 at 09:27 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.



January 28, 2025 at 09:18 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Michael Tschanz.* ”



January 28, 2025 at 07:52 AM