Charles Edgar Getman

December 19, 1937 - December 12, 2022

Charles Edgar Getman, 84, of Charlotte, MI, a man of many talents, died unexpectedly on Monday, December 12, 2022 at his home. Charlie was born December 19, 1937 in North Tonawanda, NY, the son of Harry and Carolyn (Brown) Getman. He spent summers during his high school years in Okinawa, Japan, where he studied jet engines at a U.S. Air Force base. When he graduated, he enlisted in the Air Force and served from 1952-1959, at base in Texas, New York and Germany, where he was the crew-chief aboard a C-130. Upon his return from service, he went to work as a tool and die maker for General Motors near his home in New York State. During these years, he developed a passion for antique boats, and took ownership of a Richardson, which he piloted all throughout the great lakes and as far as the Bahamas. It was boating that introduced him to his wife, Kathleen Czysz, who herself owned a 1930 Mathews. They married in 1990 and enjoyed time together in various locales. Most recently, they lived in Charlotte, MI and wintered in St. Augustine, FL, where they kept their boat. Charlie was also an avid ham radio operator, and was known to stock every sort of electrical device aboard his boat and throughout the house. He was also loved time spent in the outdoors, especially in the snow. He piloted his snowmobile chasing snow all throughout Canada, even into the Arctic Circle. Charlie was also a scuba diver, and logged many hours in the depths. Also, he was known to rarely miss a question on Jeopardy. Overall, he lived a life full of adventure and experience.

Charlie is survived by his wife of 32 years, Kathleen Getman and his sister, Suzann (Ernest) Chank. He was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Jack Getman.

Friends are encouraged to support Charlie's family by sharing memories on his Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Saved by Zade cat rescue or the Eaton County Humane Society. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Tribute Wall

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Going to miss Charlie coming into the diner. He will be missed very much. 😪

Debbie Hoover - December 13, 2022 at 06:46 PM

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Charlie is already very dearly missed. So sad to hear of his passing.

Jessica Kessler - December 13, 2022 at 06:03 PM