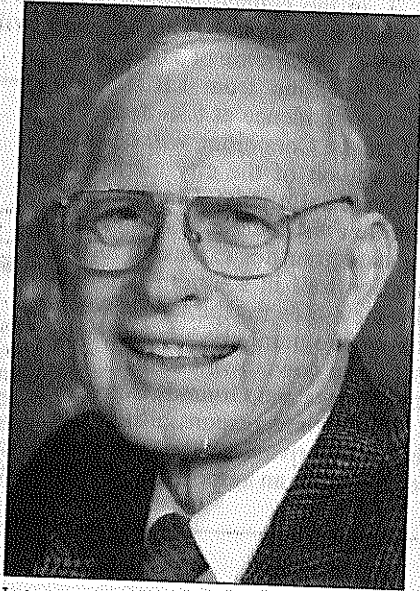


Charles Cree-Anthony ^{GH-R}
Feb. 3, 1931 - July 26, 2015 ⁸⁻³⁻²⁰¹⁵

Charles David Anthony, the second of four children (Dorothea, Chuck, Richard, Helen) was born to Grace Cleone Mayo and David Uriah Anthony February 3, 1931, in Grinnell, Iowa. At the age of 12 Chuck started helping his Dad on the farm in Poweshiek County off Highway 63. As a youngster Chuck enjoyed roller skating and sports. At the beginning of his sophomore year Chuck was chosen as assistant in the Junior High Shop Class for which he got extra credit. He attended the William Penn College Bible camp, two weeks for three summers. Before beginning his farming career



Chuck, 17, attended Iowa State University in agriculture.

He began farming with 80 acres, including hogs, milk & stock cows, crops of corn & beans growing to 1300 acres at the end of his career. Like his father, Chuck enjoyed working with machinery. He preferred International Harvester demonstrating combines when they came out with the rotary cylinder. He and Don Parker exchanged work for years. When a neighbor was in need Chuck was always there to help. Chuck built or rebuilt five homes which included family and community collaboration. Other accomplishments include state championships for rifle shooting sponsored by Farm Bureau & Iowa State, bowling awards with the "Walkers DX" team, awards for plowing contests, corn and soybeans. Chuck started showing livestock at the state fair at the age of twelve and became a 4-H leader.

Kathleen Elizabeth, Philip Wayne and Carol Diane were born to Chuck and Betty (Stanley). Fun times were shared with the neighborhood children and friends in the backyard swimming pool, snowmobiling and MYF events. Chuck was the fourth of five generations that belonged to Sheridan United Methodist Church holding many different leadership roles. He was an affiliate member of Maple Grove United Methodist Church, Waukee, Iowa, for fourteen years.

In 1976 Chuck and (Helen) Barbara Connor were married. They enjoyed many travels with friends, the favorite being to Seattle, Wash. Barbara died January 1992.

July 3, 1993 Chuck and Melinda Cree-Anthony married. Surprisingly he also changed his surname to "Cree-Anthony." In August of 1995 they moved to Fontanelle, Iowa, they resided in Des Moines from October 1998 to the present. Misty, their white German shepherd, also made the move from farm to town becoming a house dog. Canine companions included Scotty, Sierra, Scooter, and now Kody and Casey, both Pomeranian mix.

Three children grew the family to include seven grandchildren, Amy (John) Recar, Christie Anthony (Dennis Grell), Scott (Sarah) Anthony, Heather (Justin) Patton, SFC Jake (Diana) Zhorne, Dr's Derek (Leah) Zhorne, Joy (Bill) Wadey, and eleven great-grandchildren Colin, Claire & Angela Recar, Lily Patton; James, Brendan & Sera Zhorne; Evan Zhorne; and Grace, Gabe, Georgia Wadey. Time with family was cherished.

Chuck is preceded in death by his great-granddaughter Claire Recar; son Lt. Col. Philip Anthony; sisters Dorothea Lang and Helen Clayton Mayo; and parents Grace and David Anthony. He is survived by his wife Melinda Cree-Anthony; children Katie (John) Thorman of Sunrise Beach, Mo., and Carol (Daniel) Zhorne of rural Tama, Iowa; daughter-in-law Barbara Anthony of O'Fallon, Ill.; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and brother Richard (Kathy) Anthony of Anamosa.

A Service of Death and Resurrection is planned for Saturday August 8, 2015, Grace United Methodist Church at 11:00 am with lunch following. Graveside inurnment will be 3:30 p.m. at Sheridan Township Cemetery followed by coffee, tea and refreshments at The Sheridan United Methodist Church 948 - 320th Ave Grinnell, Iowa 50112 (West of Hwy 63 South of Tama, NE of Grinnell). Cremation provided by Des Moines Cremation Society, www.desmoinescremation.com.

In lieu of flowers please consider memorial gifts to The Bright Kavanaugh HCI Hospice House; Animal Rescue League; or church of your choice.