Chuck Wengert, 88

Chuck Wengert, 88, of Montezuma went to live with his Lord and Savior Saturday evening, February 6, 2017, at the Montezuma Specialty Care. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at the Montezuma United Methodist Church. Burial will be at the Jackson Township Cemetery in Montezuma. Visitation will begin at 12 p.m. (Noon) Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma with the family present from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Heifer International or the Montezuma United Methodist Church. Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma is in charge of arrangements.

Charles Stanley Wengert II, the son of Charles and Daisy (Woodfolk) Wengert was born on May 16, 1928 in Kansas City, Missouri. He graduated from Webster Groves High School in Webster Groves, Missouri in 1946. Following high school, Chuck enlisted with the United States Marine Corps during WW II and the Korean Conflict and was honorably discharged in 1949. Chuck continued his education at Iowa State University receiving his BA degree in Agronomy and Masters Degree in Adult Education. Chuck was united in marriage to Jeanette Berry on November 26, 1953 at Grundy County, Missouri. They moved to Okalaska where Chuck worked at the Mahaska County Extension Service for six years. They then bought and operated a service station in Okalaska for several years before moving to Bettendorf in 1965 where he was a salesman for IMC Fertilizer Company. They moved to Montezuma in 1970 where he was the Poweshiek County Extension Director retiring in 1992. While Poweshiek County Extension Director, he had a daily report on KGIB with Frosty Mitchell and always started these reports with a corny joke.

Chuck was a member of the Montezuma United Methodist Church where he served as State President of the Methodist Men and was also a member of the Montezuma Lions Club. Chuck's interests included his family, travel, golf, gardening, puzzles, and he enjoyed flying after receiving his pilot's license. He was instrumental in starting the Rural Water Association in Poweshiek County and was also very involved with the Historical Society and genealogy as well as Community Development.

Chuck also rode RAGBRAI for several years and enjoyed canoeing and white water rafting through the Grand Canyon on the Colorado River. After retirement, he worked a short time at SIG Manufacturing and also drove a school bus.

Chuck is survived by his wife of 63 years, Jeanette of Montezuma, his children, Don Wengert of Des Moines, Carey (Nile) Jones of Davenport, Gayle (Dale) Johnson of Montezuma, Tom Wengert of Grimes and Bridget (Jeremy) Miller of Montezuma; nine grandchildren, Joe (Jeri Lyn) Johnson, Brett (Teri) Johnson, Kyle (Tara) John son, Ellen Jones, Nile Jones, Ben Jones, Hailey (Justin Burton) Wengert, Grace Wengert and Lola Miller; three great grandchildren; two step great grandchildren and two step great-great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, and three sisters, Virginia Herman, Jo Ann Carlson and Elizabeth Beck.

Charles Stanley Wengert May 16, 1928 - Feb, 4, 2017 Chuck Wengert, 88, of Montezuma died, Feb. 4, at the Montezuma Specialty Care. Funeral Services will be at 11 a.m. Feb 4 at the Montezuma United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Jackson Township Cemetery, Montezuma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Heifer International or the Montezuma United Methodist Church.

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