

## Charles Weiss



Charles Ray "Chuck" Weiss, 86, of Edwardsville and formerly of Granite City, Illinois passed away at 12:25 a.m. on Sunday March 6, 2016, at Meridian Village in Glen Carbon, Illinois.

He was born February 4, 1930, in Belleville, Illinois, the son of the late Lilbert and Harriett (Deskin) Weiss.

He married his beloved wife Ida Mae (Schellhardt) Weiss in 1953. She passed away in 1997.

He married his beloved wife Barbara (Barr) Weiss in 1999, and she survives. He will be remembered for the love of his family and friends.

In addition to Barbara, he is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law; Brad and Ann Weiss of Springfield, Mo and Brent and Cathy Weiss of Glen Carbon, Ill; one step-daughter and son-in-law; Elizabeth and Eric Ryterski of Louisville, Colorado; eight grand-children, Luke and Jake Weiss, Evan Ray, Shelby Ray-Weiss, Lily Ida Mae Weiss, Meghan, Max, and Michael Ryterski; two sisters-in-law, Fanny Sue Schellhardt of Fults, Ill and Dee Schellhardt of Hoopeston, Ill; two brothers-in-law, Howard Ludwig of Waterloo, Ill and Eric Horn (Colette) of Maryville, Ill; one cousin Tom Mentzer of Millstadt, Illinois; many nephews, other extended family and friends.

Upon graduating from Belleville Township High School in 1948, Chuck signed with the New York Yankees, and played five years in their minor league system. During his time in professional baseball he played with Whitey Herzog and Mickey Mantle. After his professional baseball career, Chuck worked on the SIU staff as assistant baseball coach and instructor of the P.E. staff. In 1960, he left SIU and came to Granite City as a teacher and coach in their school system. He later became principal of Grigsby Jr. High where he retired in 1985. Chuck was a member of Masonic Lodge #877, for 46 years; a Shriner of Ainad Temple for 43 years; as a Shriner he was a past president of the Hospital Unit, Chairman of the Hospital Unit's annual Golf Scramble, and enjoyed giving tours at Shriners Hospital; he was also a Jester of 86. He was a member of Elks #1063 of Granite City, Illinois. He served as a trustee for Regional Supt of Schools. He was a member of the Praise Community Fellowship Church in Edwardsville, Illinois.

Chuck loved to play golf, go fishing with his family in Park Rapids, Minnesota, take family vacations, and spend time with his family and many dear friends.

In celebration of his life, memorial visitation will be at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road on Friday, March 11, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with an Ainad Shrine R.O.J. Southern Illinois Court 86 walk through at 6:43 p.m. followed by an Ainad Shrine Hospital Unit walk through and a 7:00 p.m. Masonic service.

A memorial service will be held at Irwin Chapel in Granite City on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Kent Schuette officiating.

Memorials may be made to [Shriner's Hospital for Children](#) and may be accepted at the funeral home.

More may be found at [www.irwinchapel.com](http://www.irwinchapel.com).

## Funeral Home

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