



Charles J. Swedo

March 9, 1952 - November 14, 2014

Charles J. Swedo, age 62, passed away on Friday, November 14, 2014 in Detroit, Michigan. He was born March 9, 1952 in Detroit, Michigan.

Beloved son of the late Stanley and Josephine Swedo. Loving cousin of Mary Weiss, Helen (Charlie) Halatsis, Richard (Pam) Darga, and Patrick Weiss.

Visitation Thursday 3-9 p.m. with a 7 p.m. Scripture Service at the Wasik Funeral Home Inc., 11470 13 Mile (west of Hoover) Warren. Instate Friday 11:30 a.m. for 12 noon Funeral Mass at St. Paul on the Lake, 147 Lake Shore Rd, Grosse Pte Farms. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

17100 Van Dyke St
Detroit, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 20. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Warren
11470 Thirteen Mile Road
Warren, MI 48093
(586) 751-3131
warren@wasikfuneralhome.com

Scripture Service

NOV 20. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Instate at Church

NOV **21**. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Paul on the Lake
157 Lake Shore Drive
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
<http://www.stpaulonthelake.org/>

Funeral Mass

NOV **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

HH

“ I still remember loading everyone into his car and driving around with the windows open in the winter-I was in the front seat-we had the heater on. He was always a giving and caring guy. I could listen to him play the organ for hours. RIP Chuck-You will always be in our hearts.

Helen Halatsis - November 17, 2014 at 06:47 PM

JM

Helen, don't forget the part where he shouted "Freeze Out!"

So sorry to hear of Chuck's passing, but grateful to friends who let me know. I am sorry we lost touch. Chuck, I will never forget the great times at Uncle Eddie's house on Minden down the street from mine, your fresh baked apple pies, the masses and weddings we played together at OLG, the Virgil Fox records (uh, the Redd Foxx records), the Andres Segovia concert at Masonic Auditorium, your Lincoln Continental, your amazing talent, your indescribable laugh, and your generosity to a younger kid who just wanted to tag along. Chuck, I toast you this day. Thank you for sharing so much of your life and love of music with me and so many others. I know you and Uncle Eddie are enjoying your reunion. I pray that God holds you in the palm of His hand today and always, confident that someone like you who did His work in His house for so many years could never be anywhere else.

*John Meehan
New Orleans, LA*

John Meehan - November 18, 2014 at 03:28 PM

PK

Chuck, it comes as a shock to me and so many others. You were always picking out such great music for our choir to sing at St. Matthias. I will remember how you were so supportive and kind to me when my sister passed away. You and Julie made such beautiful music together with the choir. Watch over her. I'll miss and remember the good times we all had. I'm still in shock :-(Love you and will miss you so much, Paulette Kukula

Paulette Kukula - November 18, 2014 at 08:32 PM

CK

Chuck, it's so hard to believe that you're no longer in this world. You literally were bigger than life! Your talent, your humor, your laugh, your love of music filled rooms and cathedrals. I will always remember fondly the times we worked together since the early 70s. There were so many weddings where I sang, and you accompanied me patiently without rolling your eyes at the artistic liberties I took! I enjoyed your friends, sharing dinners at your place, the parties, and a visit to your cottage, too. None of us will ever forget the production "The Passion", back in the 80s, with beautiful music from Godspell and Jesus Christ Superstar. What a labor of love that was! All the musicians in the band, the choir, the soloists and main characters were never the same after those productions that we did year after year before Easter. It was something we all looked forward to with all our hearts, and we bonded together like family. Our hearts break for your loved ones, and for Julie, who so enjoyed collaborating with you and your friendship. How blessed you were to enjoy her amazing voice, and to work together. An era has passed for us, you have left us all far too soon. I pray that you will continue to hone your musical gifts in Heaven, and we will try to do you proud here. I have a feeling you will be able to listen to "By My Side", and know how grateful we are that you were by ours for so many years, Chuck. XO

Christine Kole - November 20, 2014 at 02:46 PM

MP

Dear Lord...please watch over Chuck , lead him to the angels in paradise. I had the pleasure to sing for Chuck this past Christmas , and at the closing mass at Sacred Heart. I was so happy to be in the choir after a long absence from singing in a choir.....his playing was just awesome! Rest in peace dear friend!

Margie Lyle St Pio Parish - November 20, 2014 at 03:03 PM