



Charles "Chuck" Rout

May 4, 1926 - July 7, 2020

Charles Frederick Rout of Upper Arlington, Ohio, age 94, passed away Tuesday, July 7, 2020. He was born May 4, 1926, in Rensselaer, Indiana, the son of the late Beverly Ellis Rout and Esther Thompson Rout. Because of his father's employment, Chuck attended high school in three states, graduating in 1944 from Port Clinton, Ohio. He served during World War II in the United States Navy as a Pacific Theater Petty Officer. Chuck graduated from The Ohio State University majoring in Business-Human Resources. He and his wife, Dorothy Wurster Rout, were married October 15, 1950. They are parents of two daughters, Emily Jean (David) Scardena and Julia Ann (Terry) Smetzer; grandparents of Frank (Shalise) Scardena, Andrea (Jason) Henry, Elizabeth (Adam) Brown, John (Erin) Scardena, Alexander (Ashley) Smetzer, and 15 great-grandchildren. For 32 years, Chuck was employed in various positions including Vice President-Telephone Marketing with Highlights for Children, educational publishers. He was a life member of the Presbyterian Church serving as Deacon, Elder, Sunday School Superintendent and Commissioner (Representative) to the General Assembly. Chuck also served in a number of civic and charitable organizations including, while a resident of Grandview Heights, Ohio, a member of the charter review, civil service and school advisory commissions. He was also an Admiral of the Christopher Club and elected honorary life member of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce. Chuck was a past president of the Tri-Village Lions Club and received both district and club "Lion of the Year" awards, elected a Melvin Jones Fellow, and received an International Lions President's Citation for fundraising leadership. Chuck served as board president of Pilot Dogs and was a member of the Ohio State University Alumni Association, Maennerchor, Association of Naval Aviation, Navy League, and board member of Travelers Protective Association. Memorials may be given to Tri-Village Lions Club, PO Box 12721, Columbus, Ohio 43212. Calling hours will be held at SCHOEDINGER NORTHWEST CHAPEL located at 1740 Zollinger Road on Friday, July 10, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Guests are required to wear masks and attendance will be monitored to ensure safety for everyone attending. Private family burial at Grandview Cemetery, Chillicothe, Ohio with Pastor Preston Shealy officiating. To share memories or condolences, please visit <http://www.schoedinger.com>.

Cemetery

**Grandview Cemetery -
Chillicothe**

Chillicothe, OH, 45601

Events

JUL Visitation 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Schoedinger Northwest Chapel
1740 Zollinger Road, Columbus, OH, US,
43221

Comments



“ We learned today of your dad's death and so sorry to learn belatedly. We live on Halesworth and also attend Boulevard, there were many occasions for us to spend time together. Several visits to your parents down at Westminster, both locations. We always enjoyed our visits, your dad shared many experiences, his memory always amazed us.

Bob and Joye Bullock

Mrs R L Bullock - July 30, 2020 at 04:47 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss. Mr. Rout was a wonderful boss. Wonderful memories .



Rebecca Messer - July 13, 2020 at 01:14 PM



“ What a nice thing to say! Thank you for your kind words.
Emily and Julie.

Emily Scardena - July 20, 2020 at 09:27 PM



“ I am a current singer in the Columbus Damenchor and member of the Maennerchor Corporation. Please accept my sincerest condolences on the passing of your loved one.

--Gail Heffner, Past-President of Columbus Damenchor

Gail Heffner - July 11, 2020 at 09:27 AM



“ Thank you for your thoughts. We appreciate them.
Emily and Julie.

Emily Scardena - July 20, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ Please accept my condolences...it's always hard to have a loved one 'leave' us, but especially when they've been with us so long. Mr. & Mrs. Rout were such an integral part of my GHS 'band' experience. Prayers of comfort for all of you!

Vickie Morris - July 10, 2020 at 08:07 AM



“ Your thoughts brought back good memories. Thanks for reaching out to us.
Emily and Juice

Emily Scardena - July 20, 2020 at 09:29 PM



“ Thinking of you and your family and grateful for your fathers thoughtfulness and dedication Peace to you all. Lois Grinstead Patton



Lois - July 09, 2020 at 06:28 PM



“ Thank you for thinking of us.
Emily and Julie.

Emily Scardena - July 20, 2020 at 09:31 PM



“ Julie and Emily: I am sorry to hear of your dad's passing. He was a wonderful man and a great storyteller! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your mom and all your family right now.

Ann Dudley Millar - July 09, 2020 at 09:21 AM



“ Julie and Terry, we are sorry for your loss. May God be with the entire family during this time.

Blessings, Bill and Barbara Coombs

Barbara Bidwell Gray Coombs - July 08, 2020 at 02:18 PM



“ Emily, I am sending my regards for your father and condolences to you and your family.

Will keep you & yours in my prayers....

Bonnie (Amrine) Evans

Bonnie Evans - July 09, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ Although I only met Chuck at company events after he retired from Highlights, I have heard much about him and his service to Highlights and to the children and families we serve. In 32 years of dedicated service he made immeasurable contributions to our mission and to our business. I want to express my condolences to the entire Rout family at this time of loss. The extended Highlights family shares in this loss. Highlights and the Myers Family are grateful for Chuck's life and his role with our company.

May he rest in peace.

Kent Johnson (CEO Highlights for Children)

Kent Johnson - July 12, 2020 at 01:48 PM