



## Charles Francis Conley

January 10, 1937 - May 25, 2014

Charles “Chuck” Francis Conley, 77, of Napa, California, died May 25, 2014. Chuck was born Jan. 10, 1937, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Charles Francis and Mary Edythe (Harding) Conley. After graduating in 1955 from St. Edward High School in Lakewood, Ohio, Chuck received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of South Carolina in 1959, majoring in mathematics. In 1964, Chuck received a Master of Science degree in Mathematics from Arizona State University. In 1970, Chuck received a Degree of Advanced Graduate Studies from Michigan State University, recognizing his successful completion of course work examinations required for a Ph.D. in Mathematical Statistics. Chuck served as an officer of the U.S. Navy from 1959-1962, reaching the rank of Lieutenant. Thereafter, Chuck served in the Navy Reserves, receiving an honorable discharge in 1972. Most of Chuck’s professional career was spent with the Michigan Family Independence Agency (formerly the Michigan Department of Social Services), first as a research statistician and then as director of the Survey and Analysis Division’s Offices of Quality Control. Through advanced statistical methods, Chuck helped the state of Michigan measure and improve the efficacy and efficiency of its social welfare programs – gaining recognition for Michigan’s Quality Control programs for their high standards and innovation. After retiring from the Michigan Family Independent Agency in 1997, Chuck became a private consultant, continuing to assist with the design and implementation of social services surveys for government contractors. Professionally, Chuck was affiliated with the American Statistical

Association (serving as president of the Mid-Michigan Chapter, 1990-91) and American Society for Quality Control (through which he was certified as a Quality Control Engineer in 1987). Chuck is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Judy Ann Conley; his eight children: Carol (Maui, Hawaio); Thomas (Royal Oak, Michigan); Robert (Rochester, Michigan); Kathleen Bradley (Bend, Oregon); Elizabeth (Ferndale, Michigan); Charles (Alpharetta, Georgia); David (Atlanta, Georgia) and William (Santa Clara, California); his sister, Marianne Phelan (Mesa, Arizona); his brothers Michael (San Jose, California) and Patrick (Manassas, Virginia); and 14 grandchildren. Chuck and Judy raised each of their children in Lansing, Michigan, where they were longtime members of St. Gerard Catholic Church. Committed to civic engagement, Chuck was elected as Lansing Township Trustee for a term in 1998 and, throughout his life, was devoted to many charitable causes – especially programs for youth, St. Vincent de Paul, and Habitat for Humanity. Funeral services will be conducted at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 960 Caymus St. Napa, CA 94559, at 10 a.m. on June 20, 2014. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Food for the Poor ([foodforthe poor.org](http://foodforthe poor.org)), P.O. Box 979005, Coconut Creek, FL 33097-9005.

# Cemetery Details

## Sacramento Valley National Cemetery

5810 Midway Rd.  
Dixon, CA 95620  
<https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/sacramento.asp>

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JUN **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
981 Napa St.  
Napa, CA 94559  
(707) 226-9379  
<http://www.stjb1858.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Francis Conley*

September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Charles Francis Conley*

September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Dear Judy and Family,  
Over 45 years, Chuck was my colleague, boss, mentor, and teammate, and always a friend. In each of these roles he was simply a good man. He gave all of us who worked with him a sense of service to the people of Michigan, poor and not. He tried to bring rational decisionmaking into an emotional and political environment, a struggle we shared. At sports he played hard and wanted others to have the chance to do the same, and to have fun doing it. I grew professionally and personally through our friendship. His devotion to family was always part of his presence. He left too soon.*

*Bob Lovell 6/16/14*

Robert George Lovell - June 16, 2014 at 09:28 AM

TM

“ *Judy and Kathleen*  
*Chuck has been in our prayers as we've seen his name in St. Gerard's bulletin .We think of him whenever we hear Habitat for Humanity or think of time spent hanging with him when we were in Las Vegas. He will be remembered fondly and our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family*

*Tim and Nancy McKay*

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**Tim and Nancy McKay** - June 15, 2014 at 02:11 PM

ND

“ *Dear Conley Family,*

*I worked with Chuck at the Michigan Department of Social Services and remember him fondly. I recall his expertise in all things "quality" -- he was a real leader in the department in that area.*

*I also remember his pride in his 8 children -- I think he once told me that he had originally wanted 11 children but decided that "eight is enough". And I seem to recall a story about a long cross continental train trip with stops in numerous small towns all along the way -- he allowed that he was glad he had done it, but also glad that it was over.*

*I hope that your own happy memories will help sustain you in this time of grief.*

*Nancy Duncan*

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**Nancy Duncan** - June 13, 2014 at 01:01 PM

DG

“ Dear Conley Family,

*We knew Chuck as a quiet, composed and competent man who went about his life with class. He contributed much to quality assurance in Michigan Government and was a good friend of many here in Michigan. Judy and family can be very proud of him and the life that he led.*

*Sincerely,  
Dennis and Joan Gilliland*

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**Dennis Gilliland** - June 13, 2014 at 09:28 AM

RF

“ *Judy, we are so very sorry for your loss which we read in the LSJ. We met at St. Lawrence in Lansing, MI when you gave birth to Kathleen (I think) and I had Mark or maybe it was Tim. Also, when you & your family were at St. Therese parish where we still attend. Chuck was a great achiever and good man. May you and your family find comfort in loving memories and the support of many relatives and friends.*

*Ray & Doris Feldpausch*

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**Ray & Doris Feldpausch** - June 13, 2014 at 09:08 AM

DH

“ *I was saddened to hear of the passing of your daddy. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this sad time. Memories of your daddy will help you all through your grief.*

*Debbie Harp*

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**Debbie Harp** - June 13, 2014 at 06:05 AM