



## Charles E. Volak

May 14, 1948 - April 28, 2023

Charles E. Volak, age 74, of Lorain, passed away at Main Street Care Center in Avon Lake, Ohio on the afternoon of Friday April 28, 2023. He was born in Berea on May 14, 1948 and had been a resident of Lorain for the majority of his life.

Following his graduation from high school, Chuck entered the military and fulfilled duty assignments with the United States Army as a Specialist 4 attached to 17th Artillery Group during the Vietnam War. He was the recipient of the U.S. Army Good Conduct Medal, the SPS Marskman's Medal for the M-14 rifle, and the National Defense Service Medal.

Upon his return from the service, he joined the Lorain County Sheriff's Department and embarked on a career in law enforcement that spanned three decades. Chuck was one of the first K-9 officers to serve the department and was the proud partner and handler of George and Rocky during his time with the unit.

He was a member of St. Peter Parish in Lorain as well as Amvets Post # 47 also of Lorain.

Chuck was an amateur radio enthusiast and identified by his call sign N8TOH. Additional interests included camping and long-distance motorcycle trips on

his Harley-Davidson; he and his wife made numerous trips to the annual Harley-Davidson conclave in Sturgis, South Dakota always riding and never using a trailer.

He is survived by his wife Marcella (nee Chulig), and sons Mark E. Volak and Jason A. Volak both of Lorain. Chuck was preceded in death by his parents Eddy and Frances (nee Knowing) Volak.

Chuck's family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff and caregivers of Wellspring Hospice and, in particular, to Jennifer, Lily, and Mark for the care and support they provided to them during a very difficult time.

Private graveside services will be conducted in Calvary Cemetery where Amvets Post # 32 of Elyria will conduct military honors.

The family encourages contributions in Mr. Volak's memory to Wellspring Hospice – 3905 Oberlin Avenue, Lorain, OH 44053.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

555 N Ridge Rd  
Lorain, OH 44053  
<https://clecem.org/Cemeteries/CalvaryLorain.aspx>

# Tribute Wall

PW

“ I think about "Chuck" on the special day...we meet on the Radio years ago ..a friend of our that was Deputy Chief of our nearby town of Bridgewater,Nova Scotia sent the dept's crest to send to Chuck for his collection. But one of the things that tied him to my late husband George ...was that they shared the same birthday. So on this 14th of May ..I hope that they are celebrating together and sharing radio stories as well.



Pauline Wessell - May 14, 2024 at 08:43 AM

DF

“ I worked with Chuck for over 20yrs. He was fun, funny, and could be as hard as nails when he need to. I could trust him with my life

Dean fischer - May 02, 2023 at 05:09 PM

JM

“ Jose Montes lit a candle in memory of Charles E. Volak



Jose Montes - May 01, 2023 at 09:05 PM

JM

“ Rest in peace my friend you will always be remembered at the SO.  
Jose Montes

Jose Montes - May 01, 2023 at 09:03 PM



“ I am sorry to learn of Charles' passing. I went to school with him for probably the whole time I was in school in my hometown of Lorain, Ohio. Sending my prayers for comfort during this most difficult time. May Charles rest in eternal peace.

Charles has a Find A Grave memorial.:

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/253091032/charles-e-volak>

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**Linda Ellis** - May 01, 2023 at 07:20 PM

JC

*Sleep in Heavenly Peace, my friend*

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**Jeanne Camera** - May 01, 2023 at 09:54 PM

RH

*I have known Chuck and his family for about 30 years. I will always remember the fun times working the midnight shift together at the S.O. and the great times our family had camping together. I will remember great time we had on the motorcycle trips we took through the Blue Ridge parkway. But most of all i will remember your friendship. Rest in peace my friend and God Bless Ron, Julie, Rod Houchins*

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**Ron and Julie Houchins** - May 02, 2023 at 08:07 PM

SH

*Rest in peace brother. We had a great midnight shift. Also I apologize for when I first started there, We were partnering together and you were driving. I told you Law Rd went all the way through to Mennell when in fact it was closed and all mud about wheelwell deep. We got stuck and you could fry an egg on your head. You made me push the car in mud over a foot deep. We did get out though. Took the car to the old cmg and Whitey helped us wash off the caked on mud. Im glad Bell never knew or I would have been toast.....Shawn Hadaway*

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**Shawn Hadaway** - May 03, 2023 at 12:43 AM