



## Charles Tipton

July 11, 1927 - July 26, 2010

Charles (Chuck/Will ) Wilburn Tipton died peacefully in his home in Fort Collins, CO early the morning of July 26, 2010. He was born July 11, 1927 in Cora, MO, the son of Charles Raymond and Alice Hannah Clarinda (Wheeler) Tipton. "Wilburn" and Marjorie Bowman were married in 1954. As a newlywed, he worked as a farm hand in Iowa while taking an automobile mechanic correspondence course. After completing his course, he and Marjorie moved to Hammond, IN where he spent most of his adult years. Chuck worked as a mechanic at Highland Motors from 1957 until 1972 and Marcus Auto Leasing from 1972 until his retirement. He and Marjorie raised three children – Tina, Wendi and Dan. Being a devoted father, Chuck spent his evenings and weekends taking them to music lessons and attending every performance, competition and event they were involved in. He also inspired their love for the great outdoors by taking them on many outings to the Indiana Dunes Beach and State Park and camping trips to Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks as well as many other spectacular places. Chuck took up running in his 50's and was able to compete in hundreds of road races in the Northwest Indiana area along with eight Chicago Marathons , the first at age 59. He greatly enjoyed his fellow runners in the Calumet Striders Running Club. In 1995 Chuck retired and he and Marjorie divorced. Chuck moved to Fort Collins, CO in January of 1996 to enjoy his beloved mountains. He also loved baseball and, although he learned to enjoy the Colorado Rockies, he remained an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan. Chuck is survived by daughters Tina L Evans of Fort

Collins, CO and Wendi L Tipton of Walla Walla, WA; son & daughter-in-law Daniel C Tipton and Kimberly L (Starzak) Tipton of Crystal Lake, IL; grandchildren Henry Michael and Dailey June Tipton of Crystal Lake and many nieces and nephews. Chuck was preceded in death by his parents, his sisters Mary Alice Dewitt and Ramah (Totsie) Salisbury, and brother John Tipton. At Chuck's request, there will be no memorial service. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to Pathways Hospice, 305 Carpenter Road, Fort Collins, CO 80525.

# Tribute Wall



“ Charles Tipton

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ On behalf of my husband, Jim and myself, please accept our deepest sympathy.  
Thank you for listing the obituary in the local paper for our area. I worked with Chuck at Marcus Auto Lease for many years.  
We lost touch over the years, but he was never out of our thoughts, especially when it came time for the Chicago Marathon. He was a wonderful person.  
He was always in our thoughts and prayers.  
Take Care - Jim & Toni Bartoszek

TONI BARTOSZEK - July 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Tina, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. I remember him hauling our instruments to the solo contests at Lafayette School. Your dad was such a kind person. I took care of him in the ER when he was shot while jogging. I visited him later in the hospital. I think you lived in Valpo at the time. Your dad made a positive impact on my life so many years ago. I thought of him often. God Bless him and may he rest in peace. I hope all is well with you and your family. Take care. Sincerely Nancy Bacha Druzbecki

Nancy Bacha-Druzbecki - July 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *What a wonderful charming man Chuck was. Loved his laughter and his love for sports we would chat about it for hours on my afternoons with him. I am glad to have met him.*

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**Theresa Brakke** - July 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Hello,  
I send my Condolences and prayers to the friends and family of my Uncle Wilbur. I have fond memories of visits by my Uncle Wilbur, Aunt Marjie and their children both in Kansas City and at the Wheeler family reunions in Milan, Mo.  
I especially remember when our Grandma Tipton passed away and we all helped clean out her house and kept finding cash hidden everywhere. It was a sad time but also very exciting finding all that cash!  
I would love to hear from any of my cousins; Tina, Wendi or Daniel. I know we have never kept close, but it's never too late. If ever in Kansas City, you will always have a place to stay. Randy and I still live in Kansas City with many children and some grandchildren.  
God bless all!*

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**Dusty DeWitt** - July 26, 2010 at 12:00 AM