



Charles "Chuck" Troendle

July 15, 2023

Charles August "Chuck" Troendle, age 82 of Fort Collins, Colorado died July 15, 2023 at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins with his family at his side. Service plans are pending and internment will be held privately.

Charles was born March 24, 1941, in Syracuse, NY, the eldest of four children of Francis and Rose Troendle. He grew up in Syracuse and graduated from Christian Brothers Academy at Syracuse University. He received his BS and MS degrees from New York College of Forestry at Syracuse University. It was at Syracuse University that he met his wife to be, Vineta. They were married February 12, 1966, and brought two daughters, Kathryn and Karin into the world. They lived in Georgia and West Virginia, where Charles began working for the U. S. Forest Service as well as his PhD in Hydrology.

In 1977, he and his family moved to Fort Collins to continue working for the U. S. Forest Service as a Research Hydrologist where he worked for many years. He completed and received a PhD in Hydrology from the University of Georgia during that time. His expertise as one of the leading scientists in the Hydrology industry found him sought after as a consultant, contributing to water-related projects, all over the world.

In his retirement, Chuck enjoyed raising Appaloosa horses and Labrador Retrievers. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and farmer at his property in

Nebraska.

Chuck is survived by his two daughters, Kathryn (and Ryan) Erickson of Stanley, NM and Karin Troendle of Fort Collins. He is also survived by his sister, Patricia Ryan of Albany, NY; his brother, Thomas (and Annette) Troendle of Syracuse, NY and his sister-in-law, Leslie Troendle of Albuquerque, NM. He was preceded in death by his brother, Louis.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Tribute Wall

RB

“Troendle family: We just learned about Chuck's passing today. We are saddened to hear this news. Chuck farmed a few miles up the road from us in Western Nebraska. We purchased hay from him for several years. We would always look for Chuck's truck when we drove past his farm during our weekend drive and wonder if he was staying there in his camper. He will be missed. Randy & Vicki Burbach

Randy and Vicki Burbach - October 27, 2023 at 02:25 AM

MT

“Maureen T. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Charles "Chuck" Troendle.



Maureen T. - July 25, 2023 at 11:52 AM

AE

“Condolences to the Troendle family. Chuck was an inspiration and staunch supporter of me and my hydrologic interests. Our common roots as native Syracusans and ESF graduates (fellow ‘stumpie’) provided a bond from the beginning. Chuck helped me develop a passion and understanding as well as find a footing in the water world profession. I met Chuck at the Rocky Mountain Research Station where he served as a mentor who was approachable and available to assist at all levels and helped see me through graduate studies as a committee member in watershed science at CSU. I am fortunate to have known him.

Alan Ellsworth - July 24, 2023 at 11:50 AM

GA

“ Dear Troendle family and all Chucks friends and colleagues
We, land and Forest Managers of JNF Israel are with your sadness
at Chacks passing away.
We were lucky to share golden moments with Chuck both in Israel
and in several occasions in the US for technical exchange missions
seminars and workshops in class and out in the field
Chuck had the rare ability to connect to people from all parts of the
world and share from his skills and knowhow.
It's true that all our core professional staff has gained from Chuck
essential professional methods for sustainable stream Restoration
and land Conservation.
On top of all said, Chuck was a true friend and we'll miss him
From all friends in Israel
Gill Atsmon
atsmongill@gmail.com

Gil Atsmon - July 24, 2023 at 10:46 AM

GB

“ I was fortunate to have many mentors during my Forest Service
career. Chuck is at the top of that list. From my early career days as
field hydrologist for the Coon Creek Water Yield Augmentation Pilot
Project on the Medicine Bow National Forest, to studying wildfire
effects on hydrology on the Shoshone National Forest, to working
with the Israeli forest service (KKL-JNF) on critical forest hydrology
issues, to working with African Wildlife Foundation in Kenya and
Tanzania on watershed health issues, to always being available
when I had questions, Chuck was an exceptional individual to work
with. The Forest Service research branch and national forest
system branch were fortunate to have him. His high-quality research
and ability to transfer that work to real world national forest issues
was top-notch. Rest in peace my friend... Greg Bevenger

Greg Bevenger - July 23, 2023 at 09:36 PM

DG

“ I knew Chuck through work with the Forest Service. I learned so much from Chuck and all his research. I always admired his ability to explain years of data and research in a clear and concise manner and always with a focus on implications for management of public lands. I'll always remember that great smile and his willingness and ability to interact with people from all walks of life. Hugs to family and friends ... Dave Gloss



Dave Gloss - July 21, 2023 at 04:42 PM