



## Charles Frederick Specht

March 8, 1925 - May 19, 2017

Charles Frederick Specht, 92, of Alachua, Florida, formerly of Evansville, passed away on May 19, 2017.

Charlie was born on March 8, 1925 to the late Oscar M. and Vena A. Specht of Evansville, Indiana. He proudly served his country in WWII. He was a First Lieutenant in the Army and served in the Philippines near the end of WWII.

Charlie attended UCLA and Evansville College, where he was a member of the Purple Aces basketball team and graduated in 1947 with a degree in accounting. In 1951, he married Anna Marie Smith from Morganfield, Kentucky. He worked in the foundry business most of his career, including being Vice President of Newquist Foundry in DeKalb, Illinois, and ending his career as Plant Manager of International Harvester in Indianapolis, Indiana, which at the time employed 2000 people. He also worked and lived in Milwaukee and Beloit, Wisconsin, and Columbus, Indiana. He was a member of Holy Faith Catholic Church in Gainesville, Florida. He served on the Board of Directors for many years at the Turkey Creek Golf and Residential Community in Alachua, Florida as Treasurer. He was an avid sportsman, and excelled in golf, softball, basketball and volleyball, where his team traveled around the Midwest winning many tournaments in the senior division. Charlie was also quite proud of the fact that he lived in retirement for a longer time than he worked in his career. Along with his wife Marie, he enjoyed traveling

around the country during his retirement years visiting family and friends. Charlie is survived by his son Timothy G. Specht (Sue Ann), and daughters Paula J. Lavin (Larry) and Susan E. Wilder (Ken); grandchildren Gregory Specht, Abby Specht, Lindsey Lavin, Jessica Kelly, Rachel Gore, Zachary Wilder, and 7 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his loving wife Anna Marie Specht and his son "little Freddy" who died as an infant.

Funeral services for Charlie will begin at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at Pierre Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 A.M. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Rev. Anthony Govind officiating. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, where the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.

Friends may visit with the family from 9:00 A.M. until 10:30 A.M. on Thursday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Haven Hospice, 4200 NW 90th Blvd. Gainesville, FL 32606

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive  
Evansville, IN

# Previous Events

## funeral

MAY 25. 5:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
2701 W. Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## Visitation

MAY 25. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Frederick Specht*

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