

Charles "Charlie" Hughes, 74, passed away Monday, May 09, 2011 at the Smith County Memorial Hospital, Smith Center.

He was born July 14, 1936 in rural Smith County, the son of Grant Eugene and Gladys Ellen (Hoyt) Hughes. He married Marilyn Tuxhorn on October 26, 1957 at the Zion Lutheran Church north of Athol, KS. To this union four children were born, Duane, Debra, Kevin and Kelly.

Charlie was a lifetime resident of Smith Center, graduating Smith Center High School in 1955. He worked early in his life at a service station owned by Ralph Jenkins, then worked at Mini-Max for twenty-three years in the warehouse and also driving a semi truck for deliveries. In 1983 Charlie started driving his own semi until 2002 when his health no longer let him be on the road.

Charlie was a past member of the JayCee's and US Center Sam's Camping Club.

He was preceded in death by a stillborn son, Jeffery Scott.

He is survived by his wife Marilyn of Smith Center; a daughter, Debra Pahls of Smith Center; three sons, Duane Hughes & wife Susan, Kevin Hughes & wife Shawn all of Smith Center, Kelly Hughes & special friend Phyllis of Ottumwa, IA; a sister, Maxine Rush of Osborne; two brothers, Bob Hughes and Don Hughes & wife Wilma all of Smith Center; seven grandchildren, Preston Hughes & wife Sharene of Mt. Oreb, OH, Stephanie Singh & husband Ray of Colorado Springs, CO, Danielle Hughes & Troy Ratliff, Melissa Hughes, both of Smith Center, Amber Sherwood & husband Josh of Gardner, Jaralee Hughes of Smith Center & Chelsey Beckmann & friend Travis of Kearney, NE; three step-grandchildren, Kyle, Anne & Vance Cornwell all of Smith Center; ten great grandchildren, Michaela Grizzle, Michael & Brianna Hughes all of Mt. Oreb, OH, Kumar Singh of Colorado Springs, CO, Ethan & Hannah Ratliff both of Smith Center, Tia, Rylee & Brayden Sherwood all of Gardner & Talon Beckmann of Kearney, NE.



***Life is a
Journey
not a
Destination***

A Life Remembered



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July 14, 1936

May 9, 2011



In Memory Of

Charles "Charlie" Hughes

Date of Birth

July 14, 1936

Smith County, KS

Date of Death

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Smith Center, KS

Services

All Faiths Funeral Chapel

Smith Center, Kansas

11:00 a.m. Friday, May 13, 2011

Officiating

Pastor Jim Karg

Music

"Daddy's Hands"

"I Can Only Imagine"

Musicians

Kassie & Jessica Gooder

Honorary Bearers

Marion White

Phillip Breese

Don Tuxhorn

Kenny Mankhey

Tom McNary

Dave Wahl

Loren Schultz

Final Resting Place

Fairview Cemetery

Smith Center, Kansas



The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

