



## Chuck (Charles) Weyland

September 25, 2020

Chuck (Charles) Weyland, 61, of Lancaster and formerly of Marietta, shuffled off this mortal coil and entered The Great Wide Open on Friday, September 25. He died at home surrounded by family, friends and music. Chuck was a rare guy and so perhaps it is fitting that he had a rare disease, Progressive Supranuclear Palsy. PSP is a Prime of Life degenerative brain disease Chuck was diagnosed with in 2015.

Born in Allentown, PA in April 1959, the son of Carl Mertens Weyland and Ellen (Grant) Weyland, Chuck grew up in Quakertown, PA – the Big Q – and graduated from Quakertown High School. His legendary soccer skills and mad oboe playing talents made an impression on many of his fellow Panthers, class of 1977.

He followed his dream of going to Penn State, arriving in Happy Valley in 1977. Chuck's ability to make friends, drink beer and party on (Garth) endeared him to many, some who became lifelong friends. He also managed to graduate on time with a degree in Environmental Resource Management in 1981.

His career led him to Bethesda, MD and then to York, PA. On a whim, Chuck decided to move to Marietta after drinking beer in Shank's Tavern one afternoon. He worked for ATEC, Buchart/Horn at Harley-Davidson, and lastly

at High Company LLC in the Environmental, Health and Safety Department. Chuck was a lifelong steward of the earth and the king of compost, recycling and restoration.

Relocating to Marietta eventually led Chuck to meet Mary Gildea, his wife of 28 years. Their wedding was a blast with the musical contributions of the Rastafarian band SOUP (Sounds of Uplifting Positivity). They have two amazing daughters, Julie Slabinski (Steven) of Lancaster and Hannah Thompson (Jackson) of Akron, Ohio. He loved them fiercely and was immensely proud of their accomplishments, including Julie's graduation from law school and Hannah's goal scoring in the NCAA Division 3 soccer championship game. Chuck's grandchildren – Jude, Owen, Luca, Annette and grandson due in December – were a constant source of joy and laughter for Pop Chuck as he was affectionately called.

He is also survived by his sister, Kit Igusky (Bernard) of Reading, PA and Gregory (Kathryn) of Silver Spring, MD. He will be missed by his nieces and nephews and the dogs he had through life, including Suki, Herman, Sunny, Snoopy and Lucy, his latest BFF.

If music be the food of love, then Chuck's best memories are those associated with music. There are many, from dancing to Tom Tom Club's "Genius of Love" while wearing punk sunglasses, harmonizing with Hannah on UB40's "Rat in the Kitchen," playing "Happy Birthday" on his saxophone every year for his daughters, wailing on the harmonica with his friends Jimmy D. and Tom on the patio at Papa Joe's in The Buck, or listening to favorite artists such as Neil Young, Tom Petty and The Waterboys. He and Mary appreciated live music and attended many concerts over the years, from Richard Thompson at the Chameleon to the Grateful Dead at RFK Stadium to David Byrne in Hershey (best concert ever).

Chuck always laughed at Mary's rants about why Bob Dylan is THE MAN, and

their collection of random lines from songs they sang together every time: “Is there gas in the car? Yes there’s gas in the car” from Steely Dan, “Somebody get me a cheeseburger” from Steve Miller, “I got blisters on my fingers” from The Beatles, “Two turntables and a microphone” from Beck, “Tin roof – rusted” from the B52s and on and on.

Per Chuck’s request, donations in his memory may be made to his favorite indie non-profit radio station, 88.5 WXPB, at 3025 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104-3402.

Chuck, the ultimate recycler, donated his body to Penn State Hershey’s Medical School for future PSU students to study. Roar, Chuckie, Roar.

Family and friends may pay their respects to Chuck’s family on Friday, October 2, 2020 from 6 pm to 8 pm at The Groff Family Funeral Home, 528 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603. Chuck’s wishes were to ask those in attendance to proudly wear Blue and White colors.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc  
528 W Orange St.  
Lancaster, PA 17603  
(717) 394-5300  
admin@thegroffs.com  
<https://thegroffs.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Chuck (Charles) Weyland*

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October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *I sure did love spending time with chuck  
Every time was a good time...  
Miss you  
Love  
Mark*

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**mark** - October 13, 2020 at 10:28 AM

GS

“ *Mary and family,*

*My wife Deborah and I are so sorry to hear of Chuck's most recent passing. We are most saddened and offer our most deepest sympathy to you, your daughters and extended family.*

*I retired 18 years ago from Harley-Davidson and now live in Florida. Chuck, through Buchart-Horn, worked in my Environmental Engineering Department at Harley and is so dearly remembered by me. Chuck was such an asset to the department and was so dedicated to our work in environmental compliance and resource conservation.*

*We just can not say enough positive things about Chuck. He was a kind, humble, funny, bright person with great work ethics.*

*May Chuck rest in peace and we wish you and your girls the love and comfort of God.*

*Our condolences,*

*Gary & Deborah Seyler*

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**Gary & Deborah Seyler** - October 07, 2020 at 08:31 PM

RS

“ *My deepest sympathy on the passing of Chuck . I always enjoyed seeing him at Rock Steady Boxing!! Rest In Peace Chuck 🙏*  
*Rose Soles (Volunteer)*

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**Rosemary Soles** - October 02, 2020 at 03:58 PM

DN

“ *Mary and Family...I was so sorry to hear of this news. The Chuckster was a gentle and funny human. I really liked him. I am grateful to have had an office next to him for a while and to have gone to a couple Phillies games with him, too. Lilia and I are both under the weather, so we will not be stopping over at the gathering tonight (Friday), but we send you our love and warmest regards. David Nice (also thanks for the wonderful obit, I think Chuck would have loved it)*

David Nice - October 02, 2020 at 02:41 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Chuck (Charles) Weyland.*



October 02, 2020 at 12:26 PM

KE

“ *So sorry to hear about Chuck's passing. We always had a great time together & gave me a good memory when I pranked him one time with Jeff.*

Ken Eberle - October 01, 2020 at 10:05 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Chuck (Charles) Weyland.*



September 29, 2020 at 07:39 PM

MH

“*Mary, Lou and I were so sorry to hear of your loss. Chuck Had a great sense of humor and we have great memories of good times with you both. We will keep you in our thoughts. Marcia Hutchinson*

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**Marcia Hutchinson** - September 29, 2020 at 06:38 PM

SF

“*Mary and family  
My husband Randy and I offer our deepest sympathy to you, your daughters and grandchildren in the your loss of Chuck. I was sad to hear of his passing. I worked with Chuck at Buchart-Horn and he worked for me at Harley-Davidson. In our 10+ years, Chuck was always smiling and a positive force. He tackled air quality permitting which was not my favorite.*

*My of my fond memories of Chuck is being at a get together at Jeff Culton's house. Chuck brought crawdads and ate them with the heads on! That was a 1st for me.*

*Another memory is when Chuck shared his joy when you, Mary, had played as a contestant on Jeopardy. He was so excited for you.*

*I also knew Chuck to be a devoted father. Many times he shared stats on his girls, Julie and Hannah.*

*May Chuck rest in peace and cheer Penn State from the blue and white skies above!*

*Our condolences  
Sharon & Randy Fisher*

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**Sharon Fisher** - September 29, 2020 at 06:28 PM

KF

“ I worked with Chuck at Bucharth Horn for many years. He was a very kind and lovely man who was always available to answer questions or help out. I'm so very sorry for your loss. Peace be with you.

*Karla S. Farrell*

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**Karla Farrell** - September 29, 2020 at 05:33 PM

CL

“ I never knew Chuck. From reading his obituary, I think he must have been SO much fun to be around! Reading about the collection of random lines from songs made me laugh out loud! He was, no doubt, one of a kind! His passing must leave a huge hole in your heart.

*With sincere sympathy,*

*Cindy Larocca  
Mount Gretna*

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**Cindy Larocca** - September 29, 2020 at 02:38 PM

DM

“ Dear Mary,

*So sorry for the loss of your wonderful husband Chuck.*

*Wishing you Peace,  
Deb Miller*

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**Debra Miller** - September 29, 2020 at 01:43 PM

WR

“ Mary so sorry for your loss. I am so glad I got to meet you both and Lucy. He still had a sense of humor and a smile. It has been my pleasure. You are in my prayers.  
Wanda - Visiting Angels

Wanda Lee Reed - September 29, 2020 at 11:46 AM

DT

“ Mary, we are sorry to hear of Chuck's passing. Drew and I send you are condolences and wish you and your girls peace and comfort in the days ahead.

Diane Tyson - September 29, 2020 at 10:44 AM



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September 29, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ I worked with Chuck for many years at Buchart-Horn and then also worked in the High office building where Chucked work. Chuck was a gentle, funny, lovable guy. My condolences to the family. Mike Schober

Mike Schober - September 29, 2020 at 10:26 AM

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**David Nice** - October 02, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“*Chuck, you were the humblest of men, with a sense of humor that was wicked. We love you and will miss you. Love, Rita & Cliff*

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**Rita Gildea-Bryant** - September 29, 2020 at 09:21 AM