



Dr. Charles Riley "Doc" Shick

December 20, 1928 - January 19, 2013

Dr. Charles Riley "Doc" Shick, O.D. age 84 of Bloomington passed away Saturday morning January 19, 2013 at the Indiana University Health Hospice House. Doc was born December 20, 1928 in New Bethlehem, Pennsylvania to Harry Clifton and Marie Elizabeth Riley Shick.

He graduated from New Bethlehem High School in 1947 and went onto receive his bachelors degree from Indiana University/Purdue University Fort Wayne and ultimately his Doctorate of Optometry from Indiana University in 1958. In the late 40's and early 50's he proudly served in Panama as a sergeant in the United States Marine Corp.

Doc spent his professional career as an optometrist in private practice for 28 years as well as posts with the Indiana University School of Optometry. He was a full professor from 1958 thru 1993; the clinic director in 1971; the director of continuing education and was a professor emeritus with the school as well.

In addition to his professional career he was very involved with other outside interests. He served as President of the Sycamore Valley Gun Club fro 42 years; firearms instructor for the Boy Scouts and 4-H; firearms counselor and lifetime member of the NRA; a senior marksman; belonged to Ducks Unlimited; a member of

the Rocky Mountains Elk Foundation and recipient of their life time achievement award; a 67 year member and Past President of the Trout Run Hunting and Fishing Club of Williamsport, PA; and established and served as it's President until his death, the Sycamore Valley Conservation and Education Foundation.

Doc is survived by his wife Shirley Mae Young Shick of Bloomington; son Charles Timothy Shick and his wife Robbin of Indianapolis; daughter Kelly Lynn Shick Barrow and her husband Aaron R. of Bloomington; daughter Lisa Marie Shick Kleindorfer and her husband Joe of Bloomington; step daughter Constance Young and her husband Steven of Bowling Green, Indiana; grandchildren Christie, Tim, Kyle, Robyn, Nicole and Michael; step grandchildren Sami, Nathan, Kyle, and Andrew; five great grandchildren; 2 step great grandchildren; brother in law Vernon Young and his wife Bonnie of Bloomington; nieces Jeanne Shuff of Pittsburgh, PA, and Jaye Kebe of Kansas City, Kansas. He also leaves behind his special pet, Spikey.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister Marion O'Brien, Louise Grande, and step son Samuel Riddle.

A Celebration of Doc's Life will be held Friday January 25, 2013 at the Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old State Road 37 at 11:00AM. Reverend Murray Thompson will preside. On Thursday January 24, 2013 the family will receive friends and family at Allen Funeral Home from 3:00PM until 8:00PM.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Sycamore Valley Conservation and Education Foundation or the Dr. Charles Riley Shick Scholarship for the Indiana University School of Optometry in care of the Indiana University Foundation.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org.

Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Dr. Shick was a favorite professor of mine. I recently created a Power Point Slide presentation about how I prescribe prism. I used a quote he gave me in clinic when I was a student at IU... "There is no substitute for Grey Matter"....How true. John M. Brand, O.D., IU Optometry Class of 1974.*

Dr. John M. Brand - January 09, 2020 at 04:10 PM

JA

“ *I was shocked and saddened to learn of Professor Shick's passing. In an attempt to contact him On 4/30/15 I was notified of this by IU School of Optometry staff. After graduating in 1966 , I served 3 years in the US Army and then returned to graduate school at IU followed by a 40+ year career in optometric education. Lately I have reflected on those teachers at IU. I was blessed to have so many good ones but the one who had greatest impact was Charles Shick. He also was a great friend who among other things assisted me with employment after OD school while awaiting licensure. He was a great man. May God bless him. James E. Bailey, M.Opt., PhD*

James Bailey - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

RA

“ *Doc was a good friend to me as he was to so many. His wonderful sense of humor made each conversation very enjoyable. I will miss answering my phone and hearing Doc's voice say "Have I reached L.L. Bean?", followed by laughter. Goodbye for a while my friend.*

Ralph Bean - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

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Ralph Bean - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

CR

“ Dr. Shick could wine & dine with Kings and Queens, then would sleep in alleys & eat pork & beans. One of the greatest he will be greatly missed. Gone but never forgotten-Rest in Peace, Doc. Deepest Sympathies to all in the Family.

Dr. Charles E. Robinson aka Charlie.

Charles Robinson - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

AL

“ Doc was a very special person, always a smile on his face. He will be missed by all of us. Shirley if you need anything, just give us a call. The family is in our prayers.

Alan & Linda Keep - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

LA

“ Charles and Robbin, so sorry for your loss. My sympathies are with you and your family during this very sad time. God bless you.
Lauri

Lauri Trout - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

LW

“ Shirley:

I am so very sorry for your loss. Please know my prayers are with you and the family.

Wishing you peace in the coming days.

Lori Ann

Lori McClary Wagner - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

TI

“ Kelly, Randy and family, know that you are in my prayers in the coming days. Wish I were there with you. This is a hard journey we all have to take - losing our fathers - but remember he lives on in your memories and your heart... forever. Love, Tina

Tina McManama - October 26, 2015 at 04:13 PM

DM

“ On behalf of the members and friends of First Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield, I extend our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Shick. May the eternal light of our Lord's resurrection abide with and strengthen all of us as we mourn the loss of a dear friend.

Dr. Murray Thompson - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

DM

“ Charlie, I am so sorry for you loss, You have my deepest sympathies on the loss of your father. May God watch over you and give you His peace.
Dave and Mary your friends

Dave and Mary Julius - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

MY

“ Kelly,
My deepest sympathies on the loss of your father. I know he meant a lot to you. May God comfort you and your family.

Myra Riggs - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

MA

“ Dear Shirley & Family,

I am beyond sad at Doc's passing. He was a wonderful man, and will live on in our hearts. Love and God bless...

Maynard Raggio - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

SA

“ So sorry for the loss of such a great man. He was my first "boss" as I entered my career at the IU School of Optometry working in the clinic in 1972. He ended up being a life-long friend with many great memories. One I will cherish is the lunch Shirley hosted a few months ago at their home for the "retired ladies of optometry". It was so memorable and touching to see him proudly show and describe his collections, pictures and awards. I will always remember that day and think of him fondly.
With sympathy,
Sandi Pickel

Sandi Pickel - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

MA

“ I was a student of Dr. Shick at IU like so many he taught me how to shoot. I used the training that he provided me in my career in Law Enforcement. He was a great teacher and firearms instructor but more than that he was a great man and friend. He truly cared about his students lives not just teaching them. He was a mentor to so many students and kept up relationships with many of us and our children until his death. When I think of IU I think of Dr Charles Shick a true professional and first class man. God Bless Shirley, Timothy, Kelly Lisa, Constance and the entire family. May God grant Doc eternal rest and let perpetual light shine upon him. God Bless Doc!

Mark Filburn - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

JF

“ I had the pleasure of spending many hours with Dr. Shick discussing the the Sycamore Gun Club and other items relating to the interest of both of us. He was a Great Optometrist a devoted man concerning gun legislation but most of all he was and OUTSTANDING person. He will be sadly missed by everyone who was fortunate to know him.

RIP old friend.

Jerry F. Bales - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

CA

“ My dear friend Shirley, Kelley and Lisa, Doc will be missed by all of us. His wonderful sense of humor, his generosity and genuine concern for others, his lively interest in gadgets of all kinds and his commitment to life long learning of all things new was an inspiration to all of us who knew him. My immediate thought when I heard the news was that Les now has his best friend with him in heaven. I am sure that they will finally get to go hunting together now. And neither of them will be feeling that earthly pain any longer. There will never be another like Doc and no one can replace him, which is why he will always hold a special place in our hearts. He was loved, as all of you are loved. Take care, and I wish I could be with you. Please feel the hug I am sending your way. Carolyn Hash

Carolyn Hash - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

JK

“ Doc was one of the best people I have ever known and a very special person to me. I felt like he was family. I have many great memories of the shooting we did and some of the trips we took. I still remember the first time I met him. I told a fellow gun club member that I wonder if I can con Doc into looking at some gun I was having issues with. He said you don't have to con him. All ya got to do is ask him. I did and that was the start of a great friendship. He will truly be missed and I am very sorry for your loss.

Jason Keep - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM

MR

“ So sorry about my friend He was not only my dr but my friend when ever he saw us he would always come over and speak SO long friend for a little while

modena gallian rollins - October 26, 2015 at 04:12 PM