



Charles E. Bailey

January 15, 1946 - November 03, 2016

“Coach” Charles Edward Bailey, at 70 years young, finished his last game and made his heavenly journey on Thursday, November 3, 2016.

There will be a visitation from 1pm to 4pm on Sunday, November 6, at Salem Lutheran Church, Roland, Iowa. Funeral services will begin at 1:30 pm on Monday, November 7, at Salem Lutheran Church, Roland, Iowa, followed by a celebration gathering. Coach will be laid to rest at the Roland Cemetery. Chuck was born to Marion and Marie (Nelson) Bailey on January 15, 1946. Charles grew up on a family farm and attended Roland High School, Class of 1964, where he met Kathryn Ann Egland. Chuck and Kathy married August 14, 1966 while attending Iowa State University. Coach graduated with a degree in History, Physical Education, and Driver Education in 1968-9. He served in the United States Army Reserve for 9 years. Charles first began his 42 year teaching and coaching career at Bayard High School, followed by Eldora High School, then Western Dubuque High School, North East Hamilton High School, Des Moines North High School, and Hiatt Middle School. After “retirement,” he enjoyed substitute teaching at Bondurant-Farrar High School and Ames High School. The highlight of Charles coaching career was when he coached his two daughters in basketball at North East Hamilton High school. Although he coached softball and football, he truly loved coaching girls’ basketball and enjoyed multiple winning seasons, conference championships, two amazing state tournament runs, and winning a 1995 State Runner Up title. Charles loved his players and Coaches deeply on and off the court.

Charles felt much joy in life and spent his days laughing and making other people laugh. He spread joy wherever he went and always had a huge grin on his face. He was fun-loving, playful and mischievous, and loved to tell stories and jokes. His non-stop sense of humor kept him youthful, and he loved spending time with his family and friends. Chuck had one volume -LOUD- and a nickname for everyone. His hugs, his laugh, his pranks, his presence, was that of a giant man despite his modest stature. Charles made everyone he met feel accepted, worthy, appreciated, and most especially, loved. His passion was Iowa State basketball and St. Louis Cardinals baseball, second only to his family, who he felt could “walk on water”.

Charles legacy continues with his wife of 50 years, Kathryn “Kathy” (Egland) Bailey, loving daughters: Kristine (Bailey) Townsend and Jolyn (Bailey) Daniels, Son-in-laws: W. Jason Townsend and Shawn R. Daniels, his six grandchildren: Olivia Kristine Townsend, Grace Kathryn Townsend, Carter Ray Daniels, Ava Suzanne Townsend, William “Will” Jason Townsend Jr., and Hudson Jo Daniels. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, David Bailey.

Coach was loved by all who knew him, revered by all he coached, admired by his children and grandchildren, and “of course” will always be the greatest “Coach” the world has ever known. Rest in Peace Husband/Father/Grandpa. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in his name to benefit Cancer Research.

Cemetery



ROLAND CEMETERY

59168 130th St., Roland,
IA 50236

Events



VISITATION

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Salem Lutheran Church
102 S. Main Street,
Roland, IA 50236



SERVICE

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

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GRAVESIDE

2:30 PM - 2:40 PM

Roland Cemetery 59168
130th St., Roland, IA
50236

Tribute Wall

M


Mary Lynne Poole Ellis

What a special guy. Coach Bailey gave me the nickname "Robby" in track. Am sure it was because I was as slow as Robin Evans was fast. :-) Enjoyed time at my folks house with him and Kathy. Great memories. His wife Kathy pierced my ears at their house in Bayard. He was my teacher, coach and friend. Prayers of comfort for Kathy and family. Love and Hugs, Mary Lynne Poole Ellis



"Heart"

was given in memory of Charles E. Bailey

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C

Cynthia Williamson

My deepest sympathy on the loss of your dear husband/father!! I just now saw it in the Story City Herald I had set aside some time ago and was now looking at. I pray God's richest peace over all of you as you face the void in the days ahead. To refresh who I am, I got to know you, Kathy, when you worked at the bank at HyVee on Lincolnway in Ames and I had an account there. I believe you also recently lost your father as well. My deepest, deepest sympathy to you, and prayers that God hold you firmly in His loving arms.
Cynthia Williamson

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Ann Amato

Kathy and Family - Sorry to hear of Coach Bailey's passing. As Sandy stated - he did a great job of coaching us to our potential. He also handed out nicknames - mine was "squeaker". The picture here is such a great picture and looks just like Coach Bailey that we met all those years ago. Keeping you and your family in my prayers. - Ann Fitzpatrick Amato

K

Kris Westlake

Kathy & family... So sad to see this news ... Coach Bailey was many things to the kids at Bayard.. he was my BB coach, softball coach and my Driver's Ed teacher. Many fond memories... so glad he was at the Bayard reunion in 2010. Seeing him at the ISU scorekeeper's table... he will be missed by many... Kris Ebersole Westlake.

S

Sandy Ramaekers-Peno

Kathy and family: I only today heard the news regarding Coach Baily! It was only yesterday when he walked no..... CHARGED into the gymnasium of that little school in Bayard and introduced himself as the girls BB coach. Such a little guy, such a big heart and such a love for the sport. He made us all play harder, play better, play smarter.....in the game of basketball as well as in the game of life. Though we didn't always like him we did ALWAYS love him! My heartfelt sympathy reaches out to all of you! So sorry for your loss, Kathy. You are in my thoughts and my prayers.....Sandy Ramaekers Peno

M Mary Hanson

Kathy, our friends still teaching at Hiatt shared the news. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know Steve and I will be keeping you and your family in our prayers. We will be sure and let others in Des Moines Public Schools know of his passing. Chuck will be missed by so many! Steve and Mary Hanson

J Jennifer

Kathy- Mom told me of the news this afternoon. I am very sorry to here of his passing. May the God of peace and comfort cover you and your famly . He truly cared about his players. I can remember all the crazy jokes he played and of course the numerous bear hugs i received. God bless you. Jennifer Hohrmann, North High School , Class of 1998

M Michelle

We all loved you Chuck!! I know you are making many new friends up in heaven and I am positive you are keeping them all on their toes and making them laugh. We will miss your kindness, humor, and your smile. Love Clint, Michelle, Emma, and James Haley

B Bud Legg

Kathy, Girls and Family - I only heard this morning about Coach Chuck's passing. In all the years I knew him he always reminded me in a special way about the movie "It is a Wonderful Life." Indeed he had one, touching the souls and spirits of everyone who knew him. Whether a player, a student, a colleague, an opponent, and yes even an official, he always could see the good in everyone and draw it out. What a special gift of how to be a true friend. Many of us are so grateful your family shared him with us. He embodied the word "Coach" - a teacher of skills and values that are needed to be useful in life. He is surely with Our Lord and watching over all of us with that infectious smile that creased not only his lips but was reflected in his eyes. My you receive the blessings and grace of God so that your time together can minister to your healing. Prayers of peace.

M Melissa Spencer

I worked with Coach Bailey at North High for a number of years. He was always quick with a joke, loved teasing, and always made people laugh. He will be missed. Keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers! - Melissa Spencer



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"Sweet Tranquility Basket"

was purchased for the family of Charles E. Bailey

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D

Deborah Chapman

The students and staff of Amos Hiatt Middle School send their prayers for comfort to the family and friends of Mr Bailey. He changed many lives.

T

Tyler Schaul

Got to know chuck the last four years working at Iowa State and enjoyed talking before every home basketball game. Will miss our fist bumps on the court before each game and our chats about life and the Cyclones. Praying for your family Chuck, thanks for the memories.



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"Blue Caribbean"



was purchased for the family of Charles E. Bailey

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B Betty Tungesvik Gordon

Kathy, girls, and extended family, My heartfelt sympathies to each of you on Chuck's passing. Your closest friend, Nancy Eischen, was always talking about being with you 2 and the FUN, LAUGHTER, and serious talks you would have. Yes, as Bob Sydnes said, your contagious smile will be sorely missed, and this greast ISU fan photo reminds us all of that ;) Look how many Chuck will be coaching in Heaven as well as being the timekeeper of those ISU games. You will be hearing from his friends WORLDWIDE as they are everywhere from all those he got to know while at ISU basketball games. RIP CHUCK/BAILS, you gave it your all. When Kathy and your family miss you the most, put on videos of you (making copies 1st so they aren't worn out) hearing your voice and laughter and watching your mannerisms/gestures. May God be with you all now and in the days, months, and years ahead. Your north of Roland country friend from the class of 1967,

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L Larry Ritland

We were the country kids who had to ride the school bus. Wasn't it great when we were old enough to have a driver's license and drive our cars to school or know an upperclassman who would pick up a poor freshman and let him ride along (if he wasn't picking up that cute blond north of Roland). We grew up in a small town where there was "nothing to do", but we always found something to do some well documented, others better left alone. Friends like you made being a "Roland Rocket" so much fun. We lived for the next game, always ready to step up to the plate or dribble down the floor for an easy lay-up. I'll never forget when you and Kathy came to Chicago to visit me. You & I went to a Chicago Cubs baseball game, among other things got home a "little late" the wives were not impressed, not the first time. Btw, your Harry Caray impression was awesome. Yes, you were my coach too, and as I step into the batter's box how I would love to hear you shout out, one more time, "Just get on, Louie!" - Larry Ritland

B

Bob Sydnes

Chuck, Charles, Bailes, Charley ... no matter what I called you ... you were always my friend. Thank the Lord, I had the opportunity to visit with you & to say good-bye this past Wednesday. We stayed friends over the years from your kindergarten days riding the same bus to school ... to riding together while attending Iowa State ... and yes you were my 'coach' when playing men's fast pitch softball in Roland during the summer of 1965. I will also miss seeing you at the scores/clock bench on TV during the I.S.U. basketball games. May God bless you & your family, Chuck and give them strength to carry on., as you & your contagious smile will be sorely missed.
Bob Sydnes



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"Beautiful in Blue"

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