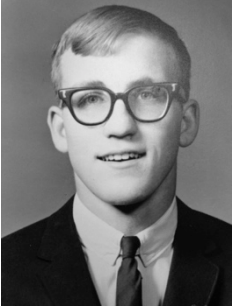
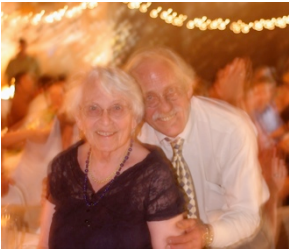


Chuck Gaa 1946-2009



"We knew that no matter what might be going on in our life, he was a short call away and he would listen; he would tell it like it was and he would always care"

- Tom Gaa, Brother



"The second of four sons, he was my kindred spirit"
- Jean Gaa, Mom



"I'm an ok race car builder, but a pretty good welder" - CWG 'Hissel'



"He was a really good buddy of mine... we went on adventures together and saw a lot of awful movies"
- Adam Gaa, Son



"He had such a zest for life! Driven, compassionate and clever. His spirit lives on in infamous 'Granddad Chuck stories' for his 2 grandsons, Alex and Charlie" - Rae Powers, Daughter

Marshall, North Carolina - Charles 'Chuck' Wilson Gaa, 63, of Marshall passed away Saturday, April 4, 2009 at home.

He was born February 22, 1946 and raised in Okemos, Michigan with his 3 brothers and parents, Jean Powers Gaa currently of The Woodlands, Texas and the late Charles John Gaa.

Chuck graduated from Okemos High School and University of Michigan with a Degree in Business and Canadian History.

He was owner of Gaaco Chassis Design and designed and fabricated prototype chassis for Nascar, IMSA and individual racecar drivers. When he sold his company, he worked for Dayco as a management and planning consultant.

Following his retirement, he moved to Marshall, N.C. and found a home within the community and with Builders Express in Mars Hill, N.C. In his spare time, he volunteered on the Madison County Arts Council.

He was a wonderful father, brother, son, and friend.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his son, Adam Gaa of Opelika, Ala.; daughter, Rae Powers and husband Ian Randall of Brighton, England; brothers, John Gaa and wife Cynthia of Willis, Texas, James Gaa and wife Marilyn of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, Thomas Gaa and wife Karen of Menlo Park, Calif.; and a grandson, Alex Powers Randall.

A Celebration of His Life was held at the Madison County Arts Center in Marshall on April 13, thank you to all that attended.