

## CHARLES A. SPEVACEK

Aug. 25, 1917 - Feb. 3, 2007

Charles A. Spevacek, 89, Kokomo, died 10:30 a.m. Feb. 3, 2007, at Century Villa Health Care, Greentown. He was born Aug. 25, 1917, in New York City, the son of Charles and Frances (Kubik) Spevacek. He married Marie B. Bouse on Sept. 21, 1946, in Cicero, Ill., and she died May 3, 1997.

He graduated from Morton High School in Chicago and attended college there also. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War I and participated in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. He served aboard the USS Chilton and USS Neville achieving the rank of Chief. After the war, he served in the U.S. Naval Reserve until 1955.

Charley was employed by Cuneo Press in Chicago and was selected to help establish Cuneo Press operations in Kokomo in 1950. He served as manager of their ink department until 1986. He then commuted to Chicago to work for Kerley Inc., where he was in charge of their ink operation until his retirement in 1989.

He was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church, Kokomo Management Club, where he had served as president, Elks Lodge, Life Member, American Legion Post 6 and Izaak Walton League.

He was an avid wood worker who enjoyed the woodshop in his home. In his retirement, he devoted countless hours to serving as a handyman/repairman for the Cheer Guild Gift Shop of St. Joseph Hospital.

Survivors include son, Charles E. Spevacek and wife Robin, Shorewood, Minn.; daughter, Catherine M. Larson, Annapolis, Md.; three grandchildren, Christina Nickel and husband Michael, Baltimore, Andrew C. Spevacek and Sara R. Spevacek, both of Shorewood, Minn.; great-grandson, Thomas Nickel; and sister-in-law, Joan Spevacek, Naperville, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and brother, John Spevacek.

Funeral services are 2 p.m. Wednesday at Shirley & Stout Funeral Home, Lincoln Road Chapel, with Charley's close friend, Pastor Ed Vasicek, officiating. Private entombment will follow at Sunset Memory Gardens Mausoleum with military honors provided by the U.S. Navy. The family will receive friends for one hour before the service at the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at [www.shirleyandstout.com](http://www.shirleyandstout.com).

