

## ANNETTE LYNN BOEHLJE

Judge Annette Boehlje passed away on November 18, 2017, after a courageous fight with cancer. Annette Boehlje was born October 23, 1971. She grew up on a farm in rural Rockwell. She graduated magna cum laude from Marycrest University in Davenport in 1994. She earned her law degree from Pace University School of Law in White Plains, New York, in 1997, graduating cum laude. She later received a ministry degree from Bethel Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Judge Boehlje was in the private practice of law from 1998 to 2000. She practiced with the public defender's office in Story, Boone, and Cerro Gordo Counties from 2000 to 2012. In 2012 she was named District Associate Judge in District 2A.

Judge Boehlje became a foster parent in 2010 which led to her adopting her two daughters, Lea and Emma. She brought that experience to the bench when dealing with the many juvenile cases that came before her and she strove to provide the best outcome for the children in the cases she handled in court.

Annette lived her values. She devoted her career, both as an attorney and a judge, to helping others. Annette always enjoyed a good conversation about legal issues or other topics of interest. She enjoyed her work as a judge. She faced her medical diagnosis with dignity and grace. She worked as long as she was able and never complained about her situation. Annette was always smiling and could fill up a room with her laugh.

Judge Boehlje had wide and varied interests, including reading, NASCAR, music, riding motorcycles, and traveling. She was an active member of the First Covenant Church in Mason City, where she served in many capacities. She had a lovely soprano voice and sang in the Una Vocis Choir. She was active in the local foster parent and adoption community.

Annette is survived by her two children, Lea and Emma; her parents, Ray and Darlene Boehlje; her brother, Daniel Boehlje, and his family.

Mr. President, I ask that a copy of this memorial be accepted and placed upon the permanent record of the Iowa Judges Association and that a copy of this memorial be provided to the family of Judge Boehlje.

## JACK W. FRYE

Jack W. Frye of Charles City passed away on August 2, 2017. Jack Frye served as a District Court Judge for the Judicial District 2A from 1973 until 1999.

Judge Frye was born on February 9, 1921, in Oskaloosa, Iowa. He graduated from Sioux City Central High School in 1939. He attended Grinnell College for undergrad studies and graduated in 1943. He enlisted in the United States Army and served in the Signal Corps in China during World War II.

Following his service in the army, he went to law school at the University of Iowa. While buying tickets to a Hawkeye football game, he crossed paths with Helen Matthews, who was a roommate of a woman he used to date at Grinnell. Helen Matthews was also returning from service in the U.S. Navy. Judge Frye and Helen were married on June 18, 1949. They were married 64 years until Helen's death in 2014. When later asked about significant decisions he made during his career, Judge Frye described marrying Helen as the best decision he made.

Judge Frye began practicing law in Charles City in 1948. In 1952 he joined with Ralph McCartney to open up the Frye & McCartney Law Firm. Judge Frye served as Floyd County Attorney for 14 years. In 1973 he was appointed a District Court Judge for District 2A. Later he was joined on the bench by his former law partner, Judge McCartney. Judge Frye became a senior judge in 1989 and continued to serve as a senior judge until 1999. Judge Frye was known for his soft-spoken nature, his kind and gentle nature, and the never-ending twinkle in his eyes. He was a role model for generations of lawyers and judges.

Judge Frye was active in the Charles City Rotary Club for over 50 years. He was a member of the Congregational Church and served on the Charles City Public Library Board for many years. In 2016 he celebrated his Chicago Cubs World Series Championship. Judge Frye was 96 years of age when he passed away.

Judge Frye is survived by his son, William Frye, and by his daughter, Barbara Frye, as well as grand children and great- grandchildren.

Mr. President I ask the a copy of this memorial be accepted and placed on the permanent record of the Iowa Judge's Association and that a copy of this memorial be provided to Judge Frye's family.