

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

CHARLES WILLIAM ANTES

On March 19, 2000, Charles William Antes, always known as Chuck, died at the age of eighty-four.

Chuck was appointed a district judge on September 1, 1972. For eleven years he served as chief judge of the First Judicial District. He retired in 1984 and served as a senior judge until 1992, when he was forced to retire because of ill health.

Chuck was born August 14, 1915. He was the son of William H. and Ruby Antes. His father, William H., served as a district judge for many years. Chuck attended Upper Iowa University and the University of Iowa, obtaining B.A. and J.D. degrees. He then practiced law with his father until W. H. was appointed to the district bench in 1945. W. H. retired in 1965. After his father's appointment, Chuck practiced law alone in West Union, Iowa, until his son, Jon, joined him in the practice. During World War II, he served as an investigator for the Civil Service Commission in Denver, Colorado.

One of Chuck's primary concerns was education. He served on the local school board for many years. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Iowa Association of School Boards. In addition he served as president of the Board of the Department of Public Education.

Another interest was the Masonic Lodge. He was a sixty-year member of his local lodge. He was a member of the Scottish Rite and Shrine. In 1973 he attained the thirty-third degree in the Scottish Rite. In 1968 he served as a Worthy Patron of the Order of Eastern Star.

Another major interest of Chuck's was the United Methodist Church in West Union. He became a member in 1930. He served on local, district, state, and national committees. After retirement, he was also very active at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in McAllen, Texas, where he and his wife spent their retirement years, serving on several committees there.

However, his major love was his marriage and relationship with his wife, Dorothy. They were married February 27, 1937, and remained married until she died in 1997. They had four children, Alan, Jon, James, and Patti. Anyone that was acquainted with Chuck and Dorothy was aware of the wonderful relationship these two people had and of his great sadness upon her death.

Anyone who served with Chuck as either an attorney or a fellow judge will remember him as a firm, courteous, and fair-minded judge. When he was chief judge, he treated his

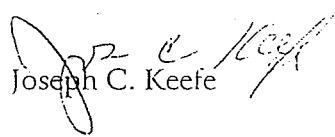
fellow judges with respect, but he was always firmly in command.

Chuck is survived by his four children, two brothers, fifteen grandchildren, and seventeen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

His presence will be deeply missed by the legal community of the First Judicial District.

IT IS SO MOVED that this resolution be accepted by the Association, spread upon the Minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof sent to Chuck's son, Jon Antes, 106 North Walnut Street, P. O. Box 475, West Union, IA 52175-0475.

Respectfully submitted,


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