

MEMORIAL

William (Bill) Ostlund

William (Bill) Charles Ostlund was born in Hot Springs, Arkansas on April 5, 1947, to John and Beverly (Juhl) Ostlund. He left this life on January 29, 2020, at the age of 72 years, 9 months and 24 days.

He was a proud Iowa Hawkeye all his life, having earned his undergraduate degree in 1969. He had attended football games at Kinnick as a young child with his father and then did so with his own children and grandson. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Wyoming in 1972 and was a judicial law clerk for Iowa Supreme Court Justice Warren J. Rees.

Judge Ostlund practiced law and was a judicial magistrate in Jefferson, Iowa until he was appointed as a District Court Judge in 1994. He served the District Court for 24 years, and adjourned his court on his 72nd birthday.

Judge Ostlund was very involved in his community. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, University of Iowa I-Club, Greene County I-Club and the Kansas City I-Club. He enjoyed golf and was a member of the Greene County Golf Club. He was proud to have attended the Master's Tournament and the Ryder Cup. He was a member of the Greene County Bar Association and the Elks Lodge.

Judge Ostlund loved the annual Bell Tower Festival in Jefferson, Iowa. Anyone that knew him was invited to watch the parade from his front yard, a tradition near and dear to him, and celebrated by thousands throughout the years.

Judge Ostlund always had a twinkle in his eye and was admired for his kind, considerate and gentle nature. He often had a new pen or new watch or electronic gadget to show you, usually followed by a funny story or joke he would share. He enjoyed stories about his family, especially George; Iowa Hawkeye games, and his many dogs.

Judge Ostlund is survived by his son Andy and his wife Ann and their son, George, who was the light of his life; his daughter Sarah and fiancé Chris Anderson; his beloved pup,

Belle; brother John Ostlund and his wife Beth and their sons Timothy and Michael; Sisters: Mindy Harkins and her husband Billy and their daughter and son-in-law Emily and John, Janis Graber and her husband Tim and their sons and daughters-in-law Matthew and Erin, TJ and Erin, and their daughter and son-in-law Jenny and Matt; great aunt and uncle Shirley and Don Doolittle; great nieces and nephews Megan, Molly and Wyatt Burns, Taylor, Harper and Kensington Jo Graber, and Emily, Katelyn and Daniel Peters, as well as many other beloved nieces and nephews, cousins, colleagues and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife Marcia Ann Niebuhr, his parents, father- and mother-in-law Albert and Martha Niebuhr, his favorite grandma Esther Juhl and beloved friend Dan Boonstra.

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 Ostlund.