



Charles Paul Littlehailes

December 14, 1941 - July 12, 2015

The Honorable Charles Paul Littlehailes passed away at home in Newport, July 12, 2015, surrounded by his loving family and Corgis. He was 73.

Born in Carmel, California, the son of Dr. Charles E. Littlehailes (then serving overseas in World War II) and Catherine Sewell Littlehailes, Charles arrived seven days after Pearl Harbor on December 14th, 1941. Finding his calling in the law, Charles served as a Circuit Court Judge and District Attorney for more than 42 years. His passion for the law and sense of community was exceeded only by his dedication to his family, including his beloved wife Patti, and his two daughters, Jody and Jennifer.

Charles grew up in Eastmoreland in Portland, Oregon. He was a proud graduate of Cleveland High School, Portland State University (where he majored in economics), and University of Oregon School of Law, where he made lifelong friends.

Well known and respected, Judge Littlehailes spent his entire 42-year career in Lincoln County. He was hired in 1969 as a Deputy District Attorney, and became the District Attorney in 1970. In 1976, Littlehailes became a District Court Judge, in what would turn out to be his only contested race in three decades of serving on the bench. That career came to an end in 2012, when he retired as Lincoln County Circuit Judge. Charles was known for his

strength of character, dedication to public service, and his tremendous sense of humor.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Patti, his two daughters Jody (Mike Tighe) and Jennifer, and his brother Tom (Margaret) and sisters Judy Reid (Russ) and Mary Thorsted.

A celebration of Charles' life will take place on August 29 at 1 pm at the Newport Performing Arts Center at 777 W Olive St. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial gifts be made to the University of Oregon School of Law Class of '69 Scholarship Fund. Checks payable to the UO Foundation can be sent to 1720 E. 13th Ave. Suite 410, Eugene, OR 97403 or online at giving.uoregon.edu. Donations can also be made to the Lincoln County Bar Association Scholarship Fund at Lincoln County Foundation (Charles Littlehales) 1121 SE Spruce Way, Newport, OR 97365.

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“ *As a practicing lawyer I first met the Judge for a jury trial. I liked him right away though he did not always rule my way. He was considerate of every person before him. Polite, humble and authoritative on the law. I always enjoyed coming to Newport for a trial with him presiding. A good man for all seasons. He will be missed. My best to the family. I just read of his passing today. Joe W. Much...Salem OR*

Joe W. Much - October 16, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *A DIGNITY IN WHITE PEDESTAL ARRANGEMENT* was sent on August 19, 2015
Patti and family,
Please accept my condolences and know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.
Charlie was one of the finest men that I have had the privilege to call a friend.
I am very sorry I am not able to attend but I will always cherish the memories of our friendship.
Jerry Hayes

Expression of Sympathy - August 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Pam Johnson - July 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Mary Jane Patterson Smith, grade school and high school - July 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Charles Paul Littlehales*

Jerry Hayes - July 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM