



MRF Celebrates "Chopper" Charlie Gilmore Sturgis Hall Of Fame Induction

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) proudly congratulates "Chopper" Charlie Gilmore on his induction into the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum Hall of Fame as the 2025 recipient of the Freedom Fighter Award.

A legend in the motorcycling world, Charlie's journey began in the 1960s with a passion for riding that evolved into a lifelong commitment to rider rights and motorcycle culture. As a Vietnam veteran, ordained minister, and former national chaplain of the Sons of Silence, Charlie has lived a life defined by service, both to his country and to the motorcycling community.

Charlie is a founding member of ABATE of Iowa's District 8, and his impact on the motorcyclists' rights movement is immense. His powerful and emotional "Price of Freedom" presentation has inspired countless riders and advocates across the country.

A master builder and restorer, Charlie's custom choppers have been showcased internationally, and he has restored hundreds of motorcycles that are now displayed in museums across the United States.

His unwavering dedication to the MRF and its mission has helped protect the rights of all motorcyclists. Charlie's contributions have earned him numerous honors, including the Motorcycle Riders Foundation's John "Farmer" Eggers Award (2010) and the NCOM Silver Spoke Award (2022). He embodies the spirit of the Freedom Fighter Award and stands as a symbol of grassroots advocacy at its best.

This honor is made even more special as Charlie joins his brother, Dick "Slider" Gilmore, a fellow Hall of Fame Freedom Fighter.

Please join the MRF in celebrating "Chopper" Charlie Gilmore as he takes his well-earned place in the Sturgis Hall of Fame.

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