



## Charles Utah Murphy

March 3, 1926 - September 9, 2013

Charles Utah Murphy was the oldest of four children born to Benjamin Franklin and Catherine Pauline (Sallinger) Murphy North of Granite, Oklahoma in the Lake Creek Community on March 3, 1926 and departed this life in Hobart, Oklahoma on September 9, 2013 at the age of 87 years, 6 months and 6 days.

Charles grew up on the family farm and graduated from Lake Creek High School in 1944. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and trained at Fort Texas, near where his dad was born. He served in WWII with the 7th Cavalry Division in the occupation of Japan under General Douglas MacArthur and was present when the surrender was signed on the USS Fremont. Charles spent his life as a farmer and rancher and was proud of being an "Okie" on the family's Centennial Farm in Greer County. Except for his time in the Military and in the Hobart Living Center he lived on the same quarter section his entire life. He married Paulita Ethel Pryor on January 15, 1950 in the Lake Creek Baptist Church. He enjoyed playing the Fiddle and participating in tractor pulls. He was a member of the American Legion and of Lake Creek Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Leo Murphy and a brother in law, Bill Roberts.

Survivors include his wife Paulita of the home; 2 sons, Benny Murphy of Granite and Carl Lee Murphy and wife Shelly of Gastonia, North Carolina; a daughter, Charlotte Lean Murphy of Yukon; 2 sisters, Juanita Murphy of Prescott, Arizona and Joy Nell and husband George Lapp of Dumas, Texas; 3

grandchildren, Jason Gilchrist and wife Keri of Ada, Deborah and husband Ivan Reed of Chickasha and Berry Mosley of Holdenville; 6 great grandchildren, Jordan, Luke, Conner, Walker, Reagan and Georgia and many other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn

Mangum, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

People's Co-Operative Funeral Home  
P.O. Box 146  
1400 W. Main  
Lone Wolf, OK 73655  
(580) 846-9018  
pcfhco@gmail.com

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SEP 12. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

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SEP **13**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Lake Creek Baptist Church  
37014 E County Road 1370  
Granite, OK 73547

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Utah Murphy*

October 08, 2023 at 02:10 PM



“ *Charles Utah Murphy*

October 04, 2023 at 11:28 PM



“ *Aunt Paulita,  
You and Uncle Charles came into my life when I needed you the most. Aunt Paulita, you supplied the love I required and Uncle Charles supplied the father figure I needed. Charles was the most hard working man I have ever known. He will be missed my many. May God welcome him into His kingdom where he can finally rest in peace!  
Love, Debbie*

**Debbie Andrews** - September 12, 2013 at 01:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Charles Utah Murphy.*



September 12, 2013 at 10:04 AM