



## Charles William Ketchum

March 25, 1925 - February 11, 2025

Charles William Ketchum, 99, of Dewey, passed peacefully from this life into the hands of the Lord on February 11, 2025. Charles, "Charley" would have celebrated his 100th birthday on the 25th of March.

Charles was born March 25, 1925, in Dewey, to Abraham "Fish" William and Ella (Hudson) Ketchum.

Charley was a decorated World War II Army veteran who received several metals for his service in the Philippines, including a Bronze Star, a Bronze Arrow and numerous unit citations.

He and his wife Patricia "Pat" (Smith) spent most of their life living on the family farm north of Dewey, where they raised their five children, Debbie, Cathy, Steve, Mark, and Jim. In addition to working on the farm, Charley also worked in the oilfields and as a machinist. He and Pat shared many happy moments fishing for crappie on the banks of Copan Lake.

After Pat's passing in 2011, Charley continued to live on the homestead until 2022 with his beloved blue heeler "Blue."

Survivors include his five children, Debbie Minter and husband George, Cathy Etheridge and husband Jimmie, Steve Ketchum, Mark Ketchum, and Jim Ketchum and wife Linda; nine grandchildren, Chris Minter and wife Kristen,

Jeremy Batchelder and wife Lindsay, Danelle Cook, Heather Hunter, Michele Hawkins and husband Brady, Shanna Boyd, Chase Ketchum and wife Erica, David Schulte, and Jimmy Dale Schulte. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Pat; his parents, Abraham and Ella Ketchum; a brother, Benny Ketchum; a sister, Wanda Zoski; and a grandson, Patrick Clingen.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 29, 2025, at Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel, 113 S. Osage Ave., Dewey, OK 74029, 918-534-3030. Arrangements are under the direction of Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAR **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel

113 S Osage Ave

Dewey, OK 74029

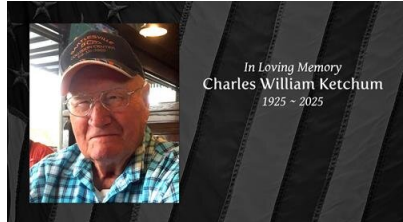
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles William Ketchum*



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**Davis Family Funeral Home** - March 27, 2025 at 05:03 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Charles Ketchum*



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**Davis Family Funeral Home** - March 28, 2025 at 03:43 PM



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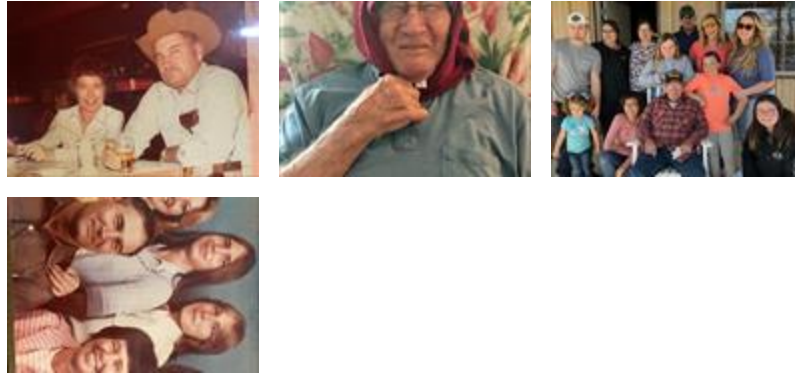


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**Mark Ketchum** - March 21, 2025 at 12:51 PM

DA

“ Sharing a few photos I love of him ☐



**danelle** - March 20, 2025 at 03:15 PM

MR

“ What a kind man he was. Sending thoughts and prayers to all the family.

**Melissa Renner** - March 20, 2025 at 03:02 PM

BK

“ So saddened to hear ,I have so many fond memories of when I would visit my grandpa and grandma Ketchum, would always go hang out at Uncle Charles and aunt Pat's,,and fool around on the creek on their property, Uncle Charles is a great family man ,so sorry for his children loss your in my prayers Benny Joe Ketchum

**Benny Ketchum** - February 24, 2025 at 12:21 AM

JO

“ My prayers and thoughts are with all of Charley's family. He had a full life and I always enjoyed seeing him and Pat❤️ he had a great smile and witty in his later years! RIP Prayers, Jona Martin



**Jona** - February 20, 2025 at 08:20 PM

DM

“ We always enjoyed our visits with Charlie and Pat. Nice couple. So sorry for his family. May God be with you.

Dick and Kay Maddox - February 14, 2025 at 12:10 PM

RS

“ Love, comfort and prayers to the Ketchum family on the loss of your dad.



Robyn Stokes Sumpter - February 14, 2025 at 10:41 AM

SU

“ Sending love to the family and prayers for comfort as you learn to live each day without Charley there with you, especially Jimmie and Cathy who cared for him daily in their home. I know you will miss his presence but he will live on in your hearts.

Susan - February 13, 2025 at 08:48 PM

RJ

“ Sorry to here news of Charlie. Was a good friend and I always enjoyed stopping by with a few crappie. He would have pan of water and knives ready for me to clean. Always enjoyed our visits. Prayers to family from Rick and Denise

Rick Jackson - February 13, 2025 at 06:35 PM

MM

*Charles was one of my favorite friends ! Over the years we had such special visits and a barrel of laughs ! I learned many valuable life lessons from Charles which I will carry with me each day . He was such a strong and good man.  
I will miss my friend !!!*

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**Marilyn Minter** - February 15, 2025 at 11:44 AM