



Charles Elmo Bolinger

February 6, 1944 - July 23, 2018

Charles Elmo Bolinger, 74 of Tahlequah, OK was born February 6, 1944 in Muskogee, OK to Denzley and Dona (Barrett) Bolinger and passed away peacefully Monday, July 23, 2018 in Muskogee, OK with his family by his side. He was raised in the Midland Valley area in Muskogee, OK but moved to the Tahlequah, OK area in 1977.

Charles graduated from Muskogee High School and continued his education at Northeastern Junior College receiving an associate's degree.

On July 11, 1970 he married the love of his life, Rebecca Ann Scott, they spent 48 years and 12 days together, and to this marriage two children were born, Jeff and Geneva.

Charles worked as a Leadman at Acme Engineering for 40 years and was the proud owner of Tahlequah Flea Market from 1989 to 2009.

He loved the outdoors. Fishing was one of his favorite things to do along with mowing. Charles loved all types of music but especially enjoyed Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Judy Brassfield.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Rebecca of the home; son, Jeff Bolinger and wife Christy of Tahlequah; daughter, Geneva Ricano of Houston, Texas; two granddaughters, Lola Ricano and Claire Bolinger; two grandsons, Sammy Ricano and Wyatt Bolinger; sisters, Louise Rappe of Okay, OK and Sandra Osborn of West Siloam Springs, OK and brother, Roger Bolinger of Fort Gibson, OK, many nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

No services are planned at this time.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations in Charles' name to Boys and Girls Club of Tahlequah 400 West Morgan St Tahlequah, OK 74464 or to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org.

The family of Charles Elmo Bolinger has entrusted his cremation to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson. 918-478-2555 Online condolences may be left at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Elmo Bolinger*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Sorry for the loss of a good man. Will miss Charlie stopping in at the Flea mkt. He couldnt stay away from it. Always funny and smiling...Prayers are with his family!!*

*Love & Prayers,
Cindy & Jw Woolsey*

Cindy Woolsey - August 09, 2018 at 10:10 PM



“ *Becky so sorry for your loss Charlie was a good friend and owner of Flea Mkt and we've missed him every day since he left !We would chat and his love for you was one of quiet memories and telling some little funny he'd shared and then his chuckle and he'd bump Abe on the shoulder ?And walk off !Becky I know you have had health issues my prayers for you and your family !*

Stella Smith - July 28, 2018 at 12:20 PM



Thank you, Stella. The Flea Market gang was his family too. He missed you as much as you missed him.

Becky Scott Bolinger - July 29, 2018 at 02:30 AM

JO

“ Aunt Becky, Comfort and Strength. Bubby is part of my favorite memories, and you were part of his. I love you for that. Jeff & Geni XOXOXO

Janice Osborn - July 28, 2018 at 03:57 AM

BB

Janice, your Bubby had a special love for all his nieces and nephews. Thank you.

Becky Scott Bolinger - July 29, 2018 at 02:32 AM

CB

“ Charlie and I were always referred to as "Double Cousins". We grew up together just a block and a half apart. We played football together from seventh grade through high school and two years at NEO Jr. College. We were more like brothers than we were cousins. When Charlie left, a huge part of me left. My wife and family and I love and miss you Charlie! Becky, we are praying for you and the family for peace and comfort. Carroll and Jan Bolinger

Carroll and Jan Bolinger - July 27, 2018 at 10:10 AM

BB

Thank you, Carroll. You've always been special to him too.

Becky Scott Bolinger - July 29, 2018 at 02:34 AM

PB

“ Becky, I am so sorry for your loss. Though I did not know your Charlie, I know he leaves a void in the lives of all who loved him. Keeping you in my thoughts.

Paula Brown - July 25, 2018 at 07:58 PM

BB

Thank you, Paula.

Becky Scott Bolinger - July 29, 2018 at 02:35 AM

VR

“ *To the Bolinger Family, I'm so sorry for you loss. Charlie was a great and funny husband and father! I am honored to have known him. You guys are in my prayers. Love you all. Victor Ricano*

Victor M Ricano - July 25, 2018 at 10:40 AM

BB

Thank you, Victor. We do miss him and his jokes. You're correct in that he was one of a kind.

Becky Scott Bolinger - July 29, 2018 at 02:37 AM