



Charles Robert (Chuck) Gasaway

November 12, 1937 - November 15, 2021

Charles Robert, son of Virginia Evelyn (Kraettli) and Harold Leroy Gasaway, was born on November 12, 1937 in Enid, OK. He passed away at Share Nursing Home in Alva, OK on November 15, 2021 at the age of 84 years and 3 days.

The family moved to Norman, OK in 1941 while his father was overseas during World War II. Afterwards the family moved to Enid, OK where Harold established a law practice.

Chuck attended school in Enid, OK graduating with the class of 1955. He went on and attended OU earning a BS in biology and graduated with the class of 1958.

He was married to Carolyn Muir in Enid, OK in December 1958. To their union three children were born; Julianne, Tom, and Debbie.

He continued his education at OU receiving a Masters Degree in Fisheries Biology in 1961 and was a member of ROTC. After college he served in the artillery in Lawton, OK for training and Fort Huachuca, AZ for the remainder of two years as a second lieutenant.

Chuck worked at a goldfish hatchery in Richmond, MO for nine months, and then moved the family to Norman, OK to work for the Oklahoma Fish and Wildlife Service. After four years they moved to Yankton, SD for the US Fish and Wildlife Service. After four years Chuck decided to go to veterinary school at Texas A&M, graduating in 1975 as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. The family moved to Alva, OK where he established Alva Veterinary Clinic retiring

in 2004.

While working as a vet Chuck began volunteering with Christian Veterinary Missions, Prison Fellowship and Kiwanis.

In 2011 he was selected as outstanding volunteer for Oklahoma Department of Corrections.

Growing up he accepted Jesus and was baptized in the First Christian Church in Enid, OK, and for the last several years he and Carolyn have attended the First United Methodist Church of Alva.

He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents and a son-in-law, Van Lee Hodges.

He is survived by his wife of the home, two daughters, Juli (Danny) Nelson and Debbie Hodges, a son, Tom; Two brothers, Allen Leroy and James Edward; Seven grandchildren, Brock (Hannah) Nelson, Jared (Keturah) Nelson, Amber (Brad) Calhoun, Samantha Gasaway, Kayle Hodges and Aurora Land, Tanner (Stormy) Hodges and McKinle Hodges; Seven great-grandchildren; Corban and Natalie Nelson, Gloria and William Nelson, Colbie Calhoun, Scout and Dean Hodges and several nieces and nephews and other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Alva Municipal Cemetery

1698 Flynn Street
Alva, OK 73717

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wharton Funeral Chapel, LLC.
1302 W. Oklahoma Boulevard
Alva, OK 73717

Visitation

NOV 18. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

NOV 19. 1:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
626 College Ave.
Alva, Ok

Tribute Wall



“ *Wharton Funeral Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles Robert (Chuck) Gasaway*



Wharton Funeral Chapel - November 18, 2021 at 03:27 PM

AS

“ *Mrs. Gasaway, so sorry to hear about your husband. He was our trusted vet for my first dog, and he took great care with Bandit the miniature dachshund and our many farm animals after.*

Alice Sneary - January 15, 2022 at 11:50 PM

JN

“ *Chuck was a fellow-employee when we were in Yankton...he was an exemplary biologist and certainly someone to look up to...i send my sympathy to Carolyn and family*

Jerry Novotny - December 11, 2021 at 04:37 PM

DB

“ *I am so sorry for your loss Carolyn and family. Doc was such a great man whom I enjoyed work for him at the clinic. He taught me so much. Still hear him saying "hustle every chance you get". I have used it throughout the years and smile when I say it. I never told him that I co-dedicated my master's thesis to him. He was the one that pushed me to grad school. Thank you Doc. You will be missed!*

Deanna Bohlen - November 20, 2021 at 03:30 PM

RH

“ *It has been a really blessed time to know Chuck over the years! We worked together in Promise Keepers and Prison Ministry! Wonderful to see what God is doing in Danny & Julie and the rest of the family! Lord Bless you all! Roger & Isla*

Roger Hada - November 19, 2021 at 12:45 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Charles Robert (Chuck) Gasaway.*



November 18, 2021 at 09:13 AM

JG

“ *One of the nicest people, I worked with him when he volunteered at SMC..Great compassion, Bless his family.*

Jane Gaskill - November 17, 2021 at 11:56 AM

KR

“ *Kathryn Racette lit a candle in memory of Charles Robert (Chuck) Gasaway*



Kathryn Racette - November 17, 2021 at 10:35 AM

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VS

“ Carolyn & family: Sincere condolences in your loss of Chuck. He was a true gentleman, well respected, smiling & friendly to everyone. My late husband, Dale, said many times, that “Chuck was the best Vet ever, always treating his ‘patients’ as if they were human!” May your hearts be warmed by special memories. 🙏

Vaughna Schmidt - November 17, 2021 at 10:22 AM



“ 81 files added to the album Chuck Album



Wharton Funeral Chapel - November 17, 2021 at 12:15 AM