



## Charles "Chuck" Edward Smith

August 20, 1955 - June 2, 2022

Charles "Chuck" Edward Smith, 66, of Dewey, Oklahoma, passed away, June 2, 2022, in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. He was born on August 20, 1955, to Edward "Sonny" Augustus Smith and Neva Mae (French) Smith in Coffeyville, Kansas.

Chuck spent his life in the Dewey and Wann area and graduated from Copan High School, after school, he met his loving wife Ethel May Sturgeon, and they were married on March 5, 1976. He had an adventurous career with a few different vocations, he became an officer with the Washington County Sheriff's Department, and the Dewey City police for fourteen years, he also worked at Warner Music and Playmore Music, as well as owned and operated Smitty's Music for twelve years.

He had many notable accomplishments and hobbies that included being a certified gun instructor, coroner, an avid musician, a stage musician for over twenty years, a motorcycle enthusiast, and a firearm instructor.

Chuck is preceded in death by his parents, Sonny and Neva, his son, Kenneth Eugene Smith, and his brother David Smith.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel, Son Michael Smith, grandchildren Dalton, Christopher, Kaden, and Maegan Smith, Siblings Norman and Neva Smith, Wade and Donna Smith, Wayne and Nancy Smith, Tim and Lori Smith, Bobbi and Charlie Riggs, Sister-in-law Pam Smith, and numerous nieces and nephews. He will be sorely missed.



# Cemetery Details

## Wann Cemetery

West 800 Road  
Wann, OK 74083

# Previous Events

## Burial

JUN 18. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Charles "Chuck" Edward Smith

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ Charles "Chuck" Edward Smith

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ Sending condolences and prayers. He will be deeply missed! Ethel, so sorry for the loss. Praying for you and your family. Love you so much.

Kim Burruss - June 09, 2022 at 04:01 AM



“ White Calla Lily and Daisies with Red Roses (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Charles "Chuck" Edward Smith.



June 06, 2022 at 04:48 PM

DT

“ I watched Chuck grow up in high school his brother Tom was in our class before he was tragically taken in a car accident outside of Wann we used to go watch both of them play music over in Tyro with the family.....Chuck was a good man, husband and father and one of the better musicians I have played with and watched on stage....always ready to help anyone, always had time for you....I would stop in his store and visit til closing tome lol as we always had great conversations....Chuck was a man of God and followed the path that God had chosen for him...he was a great friend and I will miss him, I know he is on that heavenly stage playing music with his heroes....my condolences to the family RIP MY FRIEND GOD SPEED!!

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**Dave Taylor** - June 06, 2022 at 01:53 PM

AM

Tom wasn't his brother, he was his Uncle 💜

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**Amy** - June 08, 2022 at 08:57 AM



“ Chuck and I got to be friends when his music store was next door to my store. He was a man of his word and godly convictions. I haven't seen him in several years and send condolences to Ethyl and his family. We'll visit again in heaven Chuck!

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**Pam Balentine** - June 05, 2022 at 03:44 PM

KS

“ To Ethel and all the family, I am so sorry to read of Chuck's death. He was definitely one of the most talented guys I know. My prayers for comfort to all of you.

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**Kathy Seigel** - June 05, 2022 at 02:06 PM



“ *Joan L Baughman lit a candle in memory of Charles "Chuck" Edward Smith*



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**Joan L Baughman** - June 04, 2022 at 07:24 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Common Fox** - June 03, 2022 at 03:52 PM



“ Chuck was a dear friend. Whenever I needed a guitar set up, he knew exactly how I liked it. No one was better at it than Chuck. He was a fantastic musician with multiple talents.

*I'll never forget the last time I saw Chuck. I drove from Springfield to K.C. to pickup a Telecaster and I told Chuck I was coming to B'ville for him to set it up along with another Tele I had. He didn't know that the reason I came was that I wanted to give him that Telecaster. After he did the work, I asked him what I owed. I paid him then picked up one of the Teles and started to leave. He said, "Hey, don't forget this one!" I turned around and said, "Merry belated Christmas, Chuck!" The look on his face was priceless and I'll always remember it.*

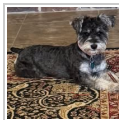
*So sad to have to say "Farewell" to such a good friend. Still, I know something isn't "lost" when you know where it is - I look forward to seeing my friend again one day. God bless Ethel and all Chuck's family.*

*Lex Fox  
Springfield, Mo.*



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**Common Fox** - June 03, 2022 at 03:05 PM



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**Pam Balentine** - June 04, 2022 at 09:07 AM

DB

*I met Chuck and Norman and mama smith and the whole family when I was 15 years old. They had a live show in copan then and I was invited to preform. from that point on, I played anywhere they were. From copan to dewey to Bartlesville to skiatook and nowata! We made a lot of memories on stage together and I learned a lot of licks from Chuck through the years. What a blessing he and the whole smith gang have been in my life! Can't imagine the jam session going in in heaven right now! Rest In Peace my friend!*

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**derek bradford** - June 04, 2022 at 10:10 AM

TT

*My husband ,Bart and I had so much fun when the Smith family had the country music show in Copan. That entire family all so talented. Lots of good memories. Love them all, like family! Sincere sympathy for my dear friend, though haven't seen Ethel in years, and the rest of the families.*

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**Teresa Templeton** - June 05, 2022 at 09:00 PM

KJ

*I have debating on what to say because I am just so in shock still that I have lost my uncle Chuck, he was definitely my go to get was the only one that could get me to sing when no one else could in the whole family. He love playing for me and listening to me sing! 😊 I can't believe he is gone doesn't seem right at all. I am praying and thinking about my aunt Ethel I can't even begin to imagine what she's going through right now. I love him dearly and will truly miss him! he was truly one of my favorite uncles that i was most Closest too. i looked up to him for a lot of different things. Lol even tho most the time he couldn't hear me because I have a low quiet voice. I appreciate everything he taught me especially his cooking was amazing I loved his Food! I love you uncle Chuck so much I am glad he's in a better place lk he was really sick but I feel bad that i didn't spend as much time with him as I should have.*

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**kirsten jones** - June 18, 2022 at 08:51 PM

MM

“ *Mary May lit a candle in memory of Charles  
"Chuck" Edward Smith*



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**Mary May** - June 03, 2022 at 01:16 PM