



## Charles Belt Owens

February 11, 1919 - March 1, 2020

Charles Belt Owens of Morrilton, Arkansas, made his flight to heaven on March 1, 2020. His Savior was the pilot and paid for the way in full with His precious blood.

He was married to Jean Winburne for 73 years when Jean passed in 2015. Their son "Topsy" passed eight months later in April 2016. Charlie is survived by his daughter Melinda Carnahan (Gary), nine grandchildren: David Owens; Josh Owens (June) children: Jordan, Belt and Sarah; Holly Sellers (Sam) children: Samuel and Will; Judy Altman (Michael) children: Scott and Josh; Elisabeth Proenza (Rick) children: Caleb, Rebecca and Noah; Daniel Carnahan (Dallas) sons: Levi and Clay; Jordan Owens (Murry) son Charlie; Natalie Baggs (Evans) sons: Elliot and Nathan; and Abby Lacy (David), sons: Owen and Eli. Charlie and Jean were blessed with 18 great grandchildren.

Born on Feb. 11, 1919, Owens grew up in Texarkana and played quarterback on the high school team. He loved music and played the trumpet, clarinet and bass. He attended the University of Arkansas, but when World War II arrived he left school for a commission with the Navy. He was a test pilot and ferried planes from Long Island, NY to San Diego, California. After the war, he and Jean settled permanently in Morrilton, her hometown. Owens and his great friend, A. J. Meadors owned Central Insurance Agency until he retired. This was the perfect occupation for "Charlie" because he loved meeting and

helping people and serving his community.

Charlie helped start The Morrilton Lion's Club and served as their second President. He served as president of the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce. He was Chairman of the Industrial Board and was appointed to Morrilton's first planning and zoning Commission. He was a member of First Methodist Church and served as Chairman of the Administration Board that developed Little Lambs and was Chairmen of the Trustees.

He was a popular figure on the golf course and played 20 plus years in the Arkansas State Golf Association Father-Son Championship. He was an avid Razorback fan and football supporter for almost 50 years. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, hunting and training his bird dogs. He slowly had to give up the things he was active in except for his friendships and love for family. He was a gift to us from God!

The family thanks our faithful caregivers, Velma Wright and Evelyn Moore for their faithfulness founded on their true love for Charlie.

Visitation will be Sunday, March 8, 3-5pm at Harris Funeral Home. Services will be Monday, March 9th at 10am at the First United Methodist Church of Morrilton. Please send memorials to the church or charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Elmwood Cemetery

1830 Highway 113  
Morrilton, AR 72110

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 8. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Harris Funeral Homes - Morrilton  
1325 Oak St  
Morrilton, AR 72110  
(501) 354-4575

## Funeral Service

MAR 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
201 S. Chestnut St.  
Morrilton, AR 72110

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Belt Owens*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Charles Belt Owens.*



March 06, 2020 at 10:50 AM



“ *Pete & LaDon Butler purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Charles Belt Owens.*



**Pete & LaDon Butler** - March 06, 2020 at 10:48 AM



“ *Charlie was a great man and an even better friend to my grandfather A.J. He was always very kind to me. I'm very sorry for your loss. Mark Meadors*

**Mark Meadors** - March 06, 2020 at 10:05 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Charles Belt Owens.*



March 05, 2020 at 11:23 PM



“ *Charlie was an inspiration to all that knew him. Know to his family as Grand Grand he is now in heaven with his wife Jean and son Topyy whom I miss dearly. May he rest in peace with his loved ones. May God be with his family at their time of loss .*

**MICHELE GOLD** - March 05, 2020 at 10:58 PM



“ *Charles truly was an amazing person, I always enjoyed visiting with him when Topyy brought him by. My deepest condolences to the family and praying for comfort during this time.*  
*Tina Potts*

**Tina Potts** - March 05, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ *Tommy & Donna, Jim & Kim and our families purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Charles Belt Owens.*



**Tommy & Donna, Jim & Kim and our families** - March 04, 2020 at 05:50 PM



“ *\* purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles Belt Owens.*



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\* - March 04, 2020 at 12:23 PM



“ *A precious person and a glowing smile always made my day. He was a wonderful encourager and always had a pleasant attitude. I will truly miss him. Charlotte Heidenreich*

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**charlotte heidenreich** - March 04, 2020 at 10:09 AM