

Charles William Ward

October 10, 1945 - March 21, 2024

Charles William Jaramillo Ward, age 78, left us on March 21, 2024, a beautiful spring morning in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Charles' family at www.andersonbethany.com.

There will be a rosary and memorial service at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home followed by interment services at General Douglas L. McBride Roswell Veteran Cemetery on Friday, April 12, 2024, at 11:00 am.

His life began on October 10, 1945, in Willard, New Mexico, to Lyle and Severa Ward. He attended Silver City High School and upon graduation enlisted in the United States Air Force and was stationed at Walker Air Force Base in Roswell, New Mexico. During the time he served his country, he was awarded the Expert Marksman, Small Arms Marksmanship Certificate of Achievement qualifying as a sharpshooter, Air Force Good Conduct Medal for demonstration of exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity. His education began while enlisted in the service and continued well after, obtaining a Masters in Psychology, Masters in School Administration, Licensed Professional Clinical Counseling, and Educational Diagnostician Certificate at Eastern New Mexico University in Roswell and Portales in addition to New Mexico Highlands University in Las Vegas, New Mexico. In 1967, he married his beloved wife Arcinia and together they raised five children and were overjoyed with seven grandchildren, their twelve dozen cherished roses. At

the beginning of his career, Charles was the youngest Superintendent in the state of New Mexico. He spent over thirty years dedicated as Superintendent of Schools in Mosquero, Moriarty, Logan, Ft. Sumner, Lake Arthur, Santa Rosa and Loving. He continued his professional career as a Diagnostician of Schools, also Director of Namaste Foster Agency, Director of the Roswell Boys and Girls Club, and GED Educator for the Roswell Juvenile Detention Center. During his professional career he influenced, guided, and impacted many lives. Charles and Arcinia also welcomed and provided a loving home for many foster kids.

Charles Ward, also known as Pompei, Chuckie Boy, Chuckie, Charolas, Uncle Charlie, Tío de papel, and Compadre, made life long lasting impressions on many people. His nieces, nephews, cousins, and lifelong friends were always welcomed with open arms, jokes, and an abundance of love. Charles was a devoted father, grandfather, uncle, and friend whose presence at any family function lit up the room. He had a way of making each person in his life special in a unique way. His early morning birthday calls to serenade “Las Mañanitas” and weekend morning breakfasts with papitas and bacon were cherished and loved by many. Charles always spoiled the ones he loved, he was sincere, caring, helpful and a role model for many. He enjoyed taking his wife Arcinia to the casinos, sitting on the front porch graciously reminiscing on his blessings, supporting his children, attending his grandchildren’s school functions, listening to music, making carne seca for others, and providing a welcoming and warm home for many to enter.

Those left to eternally treasure, cherish memories and continue in the legacy of Charles William Jaramillo Ward are his wife, Arcinia Torres Ward, children: Cynthia Dulong, Michael Ward, Celena Miranda (Ismael Miranda), and Kimberly Ward (Lenny Romero); grandkids: Madelyn Dulong, Evan Dulong, Teagan Dulong, Fabian Ward, Rodney Ward, Gabriella Miranda and Evelyn Miranda.

Charles William Jaramillo Ward is preceded in death by his son, Rodney

Wilfred Ward; his father, Lyle Ward; mother, Severa Jaramillo Ward; adoptive mother, Geraldine Ward; and grandparents: Salvador and Fidela Jaramillo.

Honored to serve as Pallbearers are Charles' seven grandkids, Fabian Ward, Madelyn Dulong, Gabriella Miranda, Evan Dulong, Rodney Ward, Teagan Dulong and Evelyn Miranda.

The family of Charles Ward wishes to extend sincere thanks to Dr. Piñon, Dr. Adajar, Dr. Andrews, Nurse Anita Marrujo, and the Albertsons Pharmacy staff at store #690 in Roswell. We want to extend our grand gratitude and admiration to the amazing and caring medical staff at Lovelace Heart Hospital in Albuquerque, Dr. Prescott, Dareena Gurule CNP, Nurse Mo and Nurse Andrea for their attention and dedication to our loved one's medical needs. In addition, a special recognition for, the Gonzales extended family, Flora Jaurequi, Ralph and MaryAlice Sigala, Lupe and Sally Mendez, Fred Pacheco, Sheila Flowers and countless friends and family for their love, thoughts, prayers and support during this time. The family of Mr. Ward is honored by those who cherished and shared his life.

Charles' tribute was lovingly written by his family.

Previous Events

Rosary

APR 12. 11:00 AM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory
2609 South Main
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5888
abfh@andersonbethany.com

Memorial Service

APR 12. 11:30 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Rest In Peace Mr. Ward.
Thank You for opening yours and your wifes
door to me as a little girl, while I was on
respite in foster care.
May You Fly High.*

-Diamond Musick aka Kimberly Trujillo

Diamond Musick - April 29, 2024 at 03:28 PM



BE

“ *Rest in heaven. Mr. Ward was the
superintendent when I went to school in Lake
Arthur. Praying comfort for the family. Belinda
Klein*

Belinda - April 12, 2024 at 03:05 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of
Charles William Ward.*

April 11, 2024 at 04:23 PM



LM

“ Please accept our deepest sympathies for the loss of Chucky who was a dear lifelong friend of our family. Every day knowing Chucky was to know love and laughter. He was fiercely loyal with a smile and hug always at the ready for anyone in need. So many childhood memories include Charlie, Archie, and their beautiful family. He was a blessing to all who knew him. May he rest in eternal peace and may his family and friends find comfort in the countless memories filled with love and laughter. May God bless you all.

LuGina Mendez-Harper - April 11, 2024 at 11:04 AM

TJ

“ The Jaramillo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles William Ward.

The Jaramillo - April 10, 2024 at 11:11 PM

TJ

“ The Jaramillo purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles William Ward.



The Jaramillo - April 10, 2024 at 11:11 PM

NJ

“ *They say that success in life is to leave this world a better place than you have found it and without a doubt Charlie has certainly done that*



Charlie was truly a giant among men, a perfect example and role model of what it is to be a good human. Not just in word but in action. We have unmeasurable gratitude for the love and kindness Charlie has shown us.

Thanks to Charlie for being the angel that walked among us and thanks to Archie and family for allowing us to be a part of your lives. Please lean on us for comfort.

*The Jauregui's
Flora, Patricia, Nellie, John, George and Jackie*

Nellie Jauregui - April 10, 2024 at 06:09 PM

GG

“ *To the Ward family my deepest sympathy, Chuckie I would like to thank you for being wonderful to my parents Epifanio & Maryann they thought highly of you ,and now you are with them in heaven laughing and joking around, RIP You beautiful soul, Richard and Gloria Maes Garcia*

Gloria Maes García - April 09, 2024 at 09:41 PM

BM

“ *Such a wonderful and caring man. I had the privilege of working with him at the Boys and Girls club and remained close friends with him. Charlie was so supportive to me when Sam ended up with Cancer and always called to see how we were doing and if we needed anything. Archie, please know how special he was to us! God give you and the kids, and grandkids the strength to get through this most difficult time. We love you all*❤️

Bernice Martinez - April 08, 2024 at 12:17 AM

DJ

“ *My condolences to the Ward family.
I was glad to be your neighbor in Midway.*

David Jarry

DAVID A JARRY - April 07, 2024 at 08:16 PM

RM

“ *Arcinia and family. Our heartfelt Condolences go out to all of you. Mr. Ward was one very Special friend to our family. We will forever cherish and remember him and the many memories he left us. (Fried papitas) for our Delicious Breakfasts. You will all be in our thoughts and Prayers. We are here for you all. We Love you. Many Hugs going your way.*

Ralph and Julie Martinez



Ralph and Julie Martinez - April 06, 2024 at 07:40 PM

MH

“ Arcinia, Cyndi, Mike, Celena, Kimberly, and grandkids, our hearts are saddened by your loss of an incredibly kind, smart, loving, and giving man. Sending prayers and love for peace and comfort in your hearts. 🙏✝️🕊️❤️
May he rest in peace.



Mary & Scott Hicks - April 06, 2024 at 02:23 PM

PR

“ So sorry for your loss. Keeping your family in my prayers

Patricia Romero - April 05, 2024 at 04:06 PM

ER

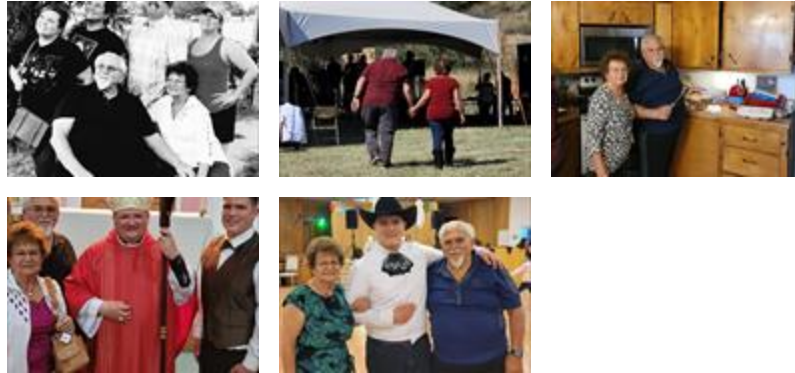
“ Arcinia and family...sending my most heartfelt condolences on the loss of your beloved Charles. Charles is now resting in the loving arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and free from pain.
May God give you all strength and comfort you, in the day's to come. Charles was a great man who cherished his family. I thank him for his service to our country! His family will treasure his beautiful music. A beautiful angel is now singing to you from heaven. My love and continued prayers are with you all. May God Bless you!



Eliza Romero - April 05, 2024 at 03:09 PM

CM

“ *Just a few of a wonderful life shared*



Cmiranda - April 05, 2024 at 02:24 PM

RT

“ *Roserosmary tegeda lit a candle in memory of Charles Ward*



Roserosmary tegeda - April 01, 2024 at 03:25 PM

RS

“ *The best of the best. I would always wait with anticipation for Chuck to call on my birthday and serenade me with his rendition of "Las Mananitas"...."...De las estrellas del cielo tengo que bajarte dos, una para saludarte y otra para decirte adios..."He was right, I did marry up. May God bless his soul.*

Ralph Sigala - March 30, 2024 at 04:02 PM

RS

What I admired about Chuck

His:

Compassioin

Generosity

Diligence

Loyalty

Intellect

Adaptability

Humility

Wit (Tacos de la mocosa)

Rafel Sigala - April 03, 2024 at 09:02 PM