



Charles Ishmul Chancellor

1931-2020

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Charles Ishmul Chancellor, 89, of Bowie went home to be with the Lord on Monday, Sept. 28, 2020.

Funeral is 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, in the chapel of the White Family Funeral Home in Bowie with Chaplains Joe Veracruz and Robert Holguin officiating.

Burial will follow at Alvord Cemetery in Alvord.

Charles was born June 17, 1931, in Electra to Charles Arthur and Edna Bell (Taylor) Chancellor. He attended Alvord High School and graduated top 10 (out of 10) of his class in 1949. As a young man, he joined the United States Army in 1951 and served his country as a sergeant during the Korean War. Charles was honorably discharged in 1954 and was awarded a Purple Heart, as well as various other medals for his service.

After the service, he completed fire school and worked as an engine driver for the Dallas Fire Department. He retired on June 1, 1981, after 25 years of service. During his off days at the fire department, he worked as a delivery driver for Summers

Electric Company, and even after his retirement, he continued to work for Summers until age 62.

In the summer of 1998, Charles moved to Bowie. He bought land near Sunset, where he spent time raising cows and enjoying the land. Charles always had a special place in his heart for children. He devoted himself as a Mason and Shriner for more than 35 years. Most of all, family was always very important to him. He was a loving father, and in return, Charles was loved by all his family and well-liked by all those who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; children Cathy Chancellor and Michael Chancellor; and brothers W.J. Stark, Ray Chancellor, Lonnie Chancellor and Crawford Stark.

Charles is survived by his daughter, Carrie Creager of Waxahachie; sons Matthew Chancellor and Mark Chancellor, both of Bowie; grandchildren Taylor Chancellor of Waxahachie, Jonathan Chancellor, Matthew Chancellor and Andrew Chancellor, all of Bowie; two great-grandchildren; sisters Estelle Watts and husband, Bobby, Rosemary Miller and husband, Pat and Margaret Anderson and husband, Curtis, all of Decatur; sister-in-law Diane Stark of Granbury; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host of family members and friends.