



Charles E. "Charlie" Davis

February 13, 1928 - November 5, 2021

Charles E. "Charlie" Davis, a resident of Springdale, Arkansas, passed away on November 5, 2021, at the age of 93. Charlie was born on February 13, 1928, in Dewitt, Arkansas, one of eight children of Frank M. and Paluna Marie (White) Davis.

Charlie grew up over in the "east bottoms," as he called it, where he learned to hunt and fish to help put food on the table. His love of hunting and fishing, and the outdoors in general, endured throughout his lifetime. Following high school, Charlie proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps. Following the Marine Corps, Charlie attended college and law school in Fayetteville, often hitchhiking from Fayetteville back to the east bottoms to visit family and friends. After graduating from law school, Charlie worked as a Special Agent for the FBI under then Director J. Edgar Hoover, after which he moved to Springdale, Arkansas, and opened his law practice. In 1954, Charlie married Betty Jo (Lane) Davis, and to this union were born two daughters, Anita Marie Davis and Lane Davis. Betty Jo was often heard to say that she knew it was going to be a long marriage when she found Charlie skinning a deer in their shower.

Charlie practiced law in Springdale for well over 50 years, during which time he also served as Springdale Mayor, a Workers Compensation Judge, and State Representative. Charlie was, and will always be, a legend among his fellow lawyers, friends, and clients. He was a mentor to many law students and young lawyers who went on to pursue successful careers in the law. He

was a fearless fighter for his clients and a compassionate friend to those in need. He was “old school,” and his word was his bond.

Charlie is survived by his daughter, Lane, of Dallas, Texas; two sisters, Ruth Ann Woods and Margie Hess; two sisters-in-law, Polly Davis and Lois Davis; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Betty Jo Davis, daughter Anita, brothers Fred Davis, Arthur “Shorty” Davis, Frank Davis and Walter Davis, and one sister, Freda Durham.

A memorial service will be held at a later date under the direction of Sisco Funeral Chapel.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Elite Hospice, 4847 Kaylee Ave Suite A, Springdale, AR 72762.

Online condolences may be sent to www.siscofuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 5. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel
705 West Meadow
Springdale, AR 72764
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<https://www.siscofuneral.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Lane I had great respect for your parents, most especially Charlie. He was a mentor to me while I was a lowly law student at UA in the late 80s. He took me fishing and invited me to his home in Springdale for Bbq and good times. He was a legendary NWA lawyer and was not affraid of the devil. I learned a lot from him. I just saw his obituary and wanted you to know that I frequently think of he and Betty and your crazy sis Anita. Very fond memories 🙏🕊️
Oscar Jones, Batesville, Ar

Oscar Jones - February 25, 2024 at 08:01 PM



“ Charles E. "Charlie" Davis

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ So thankful for the experience & great life-long memories of working for Charlie! If he didn't have court on a particular day...it was not unlike him to show up at work EARLY in his hunting gear & boots... straight out of the deer woods or mushroom hunting & get right to work. Loyal, fierce in his representation & definitely one-of-a-kind. Still proud I had the opportunity of being one of Charlie's "young-uns"!
Patsy Chance

Patsy Chance - May 05, 2022 at 03:47 PM

JD

“ I release the BLESSING, upon Lane and family; family. Jesus bore your grief and carried your sorrows and the chastisement of your peace is upon Him, and by His stripes you were healed and made whole, in Jesus Name. Love, Jan DeWese

Jan DeWese - May 01, 2022 at 08:37 AM

JD

I'm so blessed that I could share Jesus with Charlie in a years of friendship.

Jan DeWese - May 11, 2022 at 02:49 PM

TJ

“ I was terribly saddened to learn of Charlies passing. I was one of the younguns he went out of his way to school in the art of being a gentleman-lawyer. I enjoyed many years as a City and District Prosecutor because, it seemed ,Charlie was always in court. He was not just another lawyer friend, he was a true friend and I will greatly miss him. Terry Jones

Terry Jones - November 12, 2021 at 08:09 AM

SR

“ What a character! I'm so glad I was able to work with and try some cases against Charlie- he wouldn't let me call him Mr. Davis. And of course, like so many I was called young 'un. He was one of a kind! Godspeed!

Shannon Poore Rubin - November 12, 2021 at 12:04 AM

RO

“ Charlie's obituary hit the nail on the head. For those of us that worked with him over the years he will be remembered. I was a clerk, janitor, gardener, and overall gofer while going to Law School. He was like a second Dad. He was certainly 'one of a kind'. Godspeed, and rest in Peace.

Rodney Owens - November 09, 2021 at 10:53 AM

SR

“ Mad respect for this Northwest Arkansas legend. He ALWAYS fought the fight, he ALWAYS stayed the course and if he was fighting for YOU, you loved him. Never tired of visiting him in his office and seeing him running around in his sock feet. Seems like yesterday we were celebrating his 80th birthday. God speed, Charlie!

Sandy Robinson - November 08, 2021 at 11:05 AM

TA

“ I was one of those clients years back, he was a fearless lion, I valued his fight, expertise and knowledge of Law and helping me through my tough times. I have always had great respect for this Amazing Man and Lawyer. So sorry to hear of his passing. May God be with you in this difficult time of Loss.

Tammy - November 07, 2021 at 11:45 AM

TA

“ Tammy lit a candle in memory of Charles E. "Charlie" Davis



Tammy - November 07, 2021 at 11:40 AM

TI

“ *I'm so saddened to hear of this. Charlie was a hoot to work for. He made every day interesting and fun. RIP Charlie. God please bless the family!* ”

Tiffany - November 07, 2021 at 10:30 AM