



Charles Cheezum

June 23, 1936 - June 18, 2011

C. Edward Cheezum, "Eddie", passed away on June 18, 2011 at his home just shy of his 75th birthday. He was born in Easton on June 23, 1936. He was the son of the late, Charles and Dorothy G. Cheezum of Cordova.

Eddie served in the United States Army and was fortunate enough to be able to form a Country Music Band and perform for various stations while serving. After returning to civilian life, he formed his own band called The Country Red Topps, then later such bands as The Hi Notes and Kustom Sound. He also was a house painter and worked with Herb Lopez, Timmy Fluharty and others. He was able to play music with Mel Price on USO tours. Country music enabled him to see a lot of the world, performing in several countries and 14 states. He was able to play music for more than 48 years and had quite a following.

Eddie also became well known for his decorative wood carving, practicing this trade for nearly 40 years. He was a familiar face at the Easton Waterfowl Festival for more than 38 years. He also participated at the Centreville Artisan Show. He had been a carving instructor for many years until he became ill. Eddie participated in a regular circuit of shows, winning numerous ribbons, plaques, and awards. He was very well respected and admired for his carving talent among his peers. He never minded explaining or showing a special technique to another carver if it would help someone.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Mary Ann; five children, Connie Bell, of Cambridge, Charles, Jr. and wife, Brenda of Easton, Shelby Rhue and husband, Jerry of Hurlock, Alan and wife, Tracey of Preston, and Robin Lively and husband, Ike of Bethlehem; a brother, Paul and wife, Jackie of Greensboro; a sister, Joann Clough and husband, Charles of Easton; a brother-in-law, Floyd Kemp of Easton; three aunts, Agnes Cheezum, Margaret Jones, and Jean Cheezum; an uncle, Robert Cheezum and wife, Neil. He leaves behind many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his sister, Evelyn Kemp; a brother, Jack Cheezum, and an infant daughter, Karen.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, June 24, 2011 at 2:00 pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Easton where friends may call from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. The Rev. W. Nevin Crouse will officiate. Cremation will follow the service.

Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Cheezum*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Charles Cheezum*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Charles Cheezum*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO ALL OF EDDIE'S FAMILY. THE SCHLOTZHAUER FAMILY HAVE BEEN FRIENDS WITH EDDIE FOR A LONG, LONG TIME. MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN THIS TIME OF SORROW. RITA SCHLOTZHAUER PETITT.##imported-begin##RITA S. PETITT##imported-end##*

June 26, 2011 at 06:36 AM



“ *Uncle Eddie,
Even though you were not really my uncle. You were the best!!
Always had nice things to say to me. I will miss you so much!!!
When you see Mom & Gene. Hug amd kiss them for me. They will
be happy to see you. They loved you so.##imported-begin##Bonnie##imported-end##*

June 24, 2011 at 07:48 AM



“ Eddie may be gone but will not be forgotten. My prayers will be with you and the family.##imported-begin##Isobel Fields##imported-end##

June 23, 2011 at 02:24 PM



“ I don't know if you remember me or not, but I am Grover's daughter... Just wanted to say that I'm so sorry to hear of Eddie's passing. I would love to reconnect with Daddy's side of the family...it's been 35 years and I still think of all of you often! Again, I'm so sorry for your loss....##imported-begin##Karen Hastings Baker##imported-end##

June 22, 2011 at 03:55 PM



“ Mary Ann - My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God give you strength at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Mandy Frey##imported-end##

June 21, 2011 at 05:12 PM



“ I can't begin to describe the loss we are all going to feel not having you here with us. You always had a joke for me, a smile and a song. I will cherish the memories forever. We grew up listening to you, Mom and Uncle Jack sing together. You're all reunited now, sing joyously. I love you and I'm going to miss you.##imported-begin##Wanda##imported-end##

June 21, 2011 at 04:28 PM



“ *He was one of the nicest people you would ever meet. We sure will miss him.*##imported-begin##*Rob & Donna Baer*##imported-end##

June 21, 2011 at 12:40 PM