



## Charles Edward Pratt

January 22, 1940 - September 20, 2024

Charles Edward Pratt, 84 of Thida, passed away on Friday, September 20, 2024, at his home. He was born in Tyler, Arkansas on January 22, 1940, to William Frank and Gladys Mae (Totten) Pratt.

Charles was a self-taught man; he began his journey as a Beekeeper in California for 17 years, later he owned and operated the old Thida Store then became a Master Electrician for more than 30 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing, mostly crappie and catfish. His favorite meal was fish which he ate at least once a week. Hunting was on his list of things he enjoyed. He always looked forward to deer camp, his favorite part of time spent at camp was the food and company. The cold weather was not to his liking, so he was happy hanging back at camp. Throughout the years he spent spare time watching major league baseball. He loved his family and will be missed by all. Those left to cherish his memory are his son, Kevin Pratt (Shelly); daughter, Holly Pratt; grandchildren, Brandon Pratt and Kolby Watson; great-grandchild, Hunter Pratt; stepchildren, Shane Ferguson (Cyndy), Tammy Helms (Rob); step-grandchildren, Kyler, Kaylee, Delaney and Noah Ferguson, Joshua Helms; numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Vernell Pratt; siblings, Willie Pratt, Ethel Pratt, Elmer Pratt, Carol Branscum, Eugene Pratt and Kay Sutterfield.

Funeral Service will be at Powell Funeral Home of Bradford on Monday, September 23, 2024, beginning at 2:00p.m. Visitation will precede beginning

at 1:00p.m. Interment will follow at Brown Cemetery, Thida, Arkansas.  
Arrangements were entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Bradford.

# Cemetery Details

## Brown Cemetery

Thida, AR

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 23. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home of Bradford  
5230 Highway 367 N P.O. Box 922  
Bradford, AR 72020  
(501) 344-1330  
bradfordfuneral@gmail.com  
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## Funeral Service

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## Interment

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SEP 23.

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# Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles Edward Pratt



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - September 23, 2024 at 01:49 PM

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“ So sorry to hear this, sorry for all his families & friends loss.  
Norma Spence

Norma Spence - September 21, 2024 at 08:39 PM

MF

“ Mr. Joe Pratt & family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Charles Edward Pratt.



Mr. Joe Pratt & family - September 21, 2024 at 04:21 PM

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“ Good ole Charlie! He chewed tobacco or backer as we called it. We lived on a gravel road at that time and Charlie lived down hill from us. Now this was in later 50's and the boys/men would spend spare time sitting on a coke case on the porch of the only store in Thida. He kept a plug of “Days Work” chewing tobacco in his hip pocket. As he would walk home he had to pass our house. Even though I was about 4 years old, I could hear the gravel crunching under his feet as he walked. I knew it was him by the way he made those gravel pop. Even if I was engrossed in play I'd leave it. Remember hitting that screen door and running across the yard waving, “ Charlie Pratt, Charlie Pratt”. He'd stop and wait on me. When I got there I'd say, “can I have a chew of backer?” He'd laugh , pull it out and let me bite it off. He grew tired of me catching him so often and backer was 25 cents a plug! So he started telling me he had just peed on it, I'd snarl my nose and pass on the chew. 😂 how'd I chew it? I don't know, more than likely I didn't keep it in my mouth very long. So glad it didn't become a habit for me!

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**Deb Wilson** - September 21, 2024 at 10:44 AM