



## Charles Robert Keck

September 30, 1924 - December 1, 2013

Charles Keck, 89, a longtime resident of Okmulgee, died in Tulsa on Sunday, December 1, 2013. He was born September 30, 1924, in Barnsdall, OK, to Forrest and Blanche Keck. He married Maxine Hamilton on August 26, 1943. Charles was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving as an infantryman and aerial reconnaissance photographer during World War II, and saw service in multiple campaigns in the South Pacific during 1943 and 1944. After leaving the Marine Corps, Charles worked for many years with the Defense Intelligence Agency, traveling around the world making aerial maps. After retiring, Charles and Maxine purchased a 34 foot sailboat in Greece and spent over 30 days sailing by themselves across the Atlantic Ocean to the Caribbean. His wife Maxine and two sons, Russell and Max, preceded him in death. Survivors include a son, Craig Keck of Puerto Rico, a daughter in law, Jill Keck of Okmulgee, a brother in law, Hugh Hamilton of Grove, OK, and a grandson, Lucas Keck of The Woodlands, TX.

There will be a short service held at McClendon-Winters Funeral Home in Okmulgee with Lucas Keck speaking, followed by graveside funeral honors by the United States Marine Corps.

# Cemetery Details

## Okmulgee Cemetery

2601 South Wood Drive  
Okmulgee, OK 74447  
(918) 756-5109

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

DEC 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

McClendon-Winters Funeral Home Chapel  
303 E. 7th Street  
Okmulgee, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Robert Keck*

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December 20, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *My condolences to the Keck family. Many fine memories abound from my years spent growing up around the Keck place. I was fed by the kindness, good food, laughter and funny stories Maxine would provide in her kitchen, by the worldly stories Charles would share over a few cheep beers, by Max's humor, wit, smile and friendship and by Jill's friendship and fine meals shared with friends and family. Those passed will be missed while those present will be enjoyed! Brownie*

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**Steve Brownfield** - December 07, 2013 at 03:39 PM



“ Charles was one of the greatest men we have ever known. Always compassionate, never turned a blind eye to anyone. He always was there to help folks.



The love that he had with his wife, Maxine was truly the love of a lifetime.

They raised 3 wonderful, intelligent men.

He loved his country, and sacrificed his younger years, doing next to the impossible. He was the sole survivor of 3 plane crashes while serving his country. It was always so interesting to sit and hear him speak about his life.

He was a true man of honor and He will be truly missed.

We love you Charles.

Hugh and Nancy Hamilton

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Hugh Nancy Mann Hamilton - December 05, 2013 at 04:16 PM