



## Charles William Baker

September 9, 1925 - November 19, 2009

Charles William Baker age 84 of Neodesha, passed away Thursday, November 19, 2009 at Fredonia Regional Hospital. Charles was born September 9, 1925 to Chester Sr. and Alta (Beebee) Baker, in Conway Springs, Kansas

Charles was a lifelong farmer, and cattleman, his family moved to the Longton area in 1940 and then to the Fredonia area in 1943. Charles also worked 24 years for the Alfalfa Mill in Benedict and Fredonia. He also worked 14 years at IMCO Farm Machinery.

On December 8, 1944 Charles married Merle Lewis, and they later divorced. On June 30, 1977 Charles married Geneva R. (Usher) Goode, they have been married for 32 years, his wife Geneva survives at the Golden Living Center in Neodesha.

Including his wife Geneva, Charles is survived by:

Two Daughters:

Martha Ann and husband John Davis of Springfield, Missouri

Phyllis and Kelley Starbuck of Benedict, Kansas

One Brother:

John Baker of Mayfield, Kansas

Two Sisters:

Viola Griffin of Newton, Kansas

Hazel Wehlage of Chanute, Kansas

4 Grandchildren: Daphne Frye, John Davis, Kevin Starbuck, and Karen Russell

10 Great Grandchildren

Charles was preceded in death by; four sisters: Gracie Baker, Edith Rice, Stella Callaway, Ruby Stam, three brothers: Ralph, Delbert and Chester Baker Jr., and 1 grandson Preston Davis.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday November 24, 2009 at 11:00 am at Countryside Funeral Home in Fredonia with burial to follow at High Prairie Cemetery. Visitation will be held Monday November 23, 2009 from 1-7 pm with family receiving friends from 5-7 pm. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Wilson County Old Iron Club, and may be sent to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at [www.countrysidefh.com](http://www.countrysidefh.com). Arrangements are under the direction of Countryside Funeral Home, P.O. Box 247, 420 S. 20th St. Fredonia, KS 66736 620-378-2882