



Charles Ray Boland

June 19, 1941 - October 16, 2024

On Wednesday October 16th Charles Ray (Chuck) Boland was called home. He is survived by his wife, Lida Fiveash Boland, two daughters (Kimberly Paige Boland Critchfield and Christy Boland Ashe with her husband William Ashe and their three children: Aliyah, Lida Rose, and Augustus James “Auggie”); and one son, Charles Scott Boland and his wife Laura). He is also survived by numerous nephews, nieces, and heart-family members. He’ll be met by those who have gone before including his mother Leola Fenter Boland, his brother Thomas Boland and his sister Margaret Boland Shurbet along with her husband Jimmy.

Most of his adult years were spent working, supporting his family in all the ways they needed, and continually adding more “family” throughout all the places he traveled to and resided. He proudly and honorably served his country in the Air Force, managed to pull off mostly amicable 😊 relations after working jobs with both his Father and his Father in Law, and spent several years making sure the trains and train yards he worked in operated as safely as possible for the Texas Pacific Railroad and its iterations. He also had the courage to retire and follow his wife to other regions of the country when her job required relocation to advance her career with the VA.

The last few years of his life were challenging, and he met those challenges as he met everything else in life; with an immense amount of faith and love, a

bit of snark and silliness, a dash of ill temper when circumstances were very trying, and more courage than many will ever possess. His presence in our lives will be sorely missed. He leaves behind a strong legacy of faith, love, memories, and examples. His last words were "I love you."