



Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden

October 8, 1943 - March 21, 2025

Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden was called to his eternal home on March 21, 2025. He was born October 8, 1943, the beloved son of O.C. “Buck” Lumsden, Jr. and Frances Stephenson Lumsden.

He was a lifelong resident of a small farming community near DeWitt and was deeply rooted in faith, family, and service. Born and raised in DeWitt, Eddie graduated from DeWitt High School before earning a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, in 1965. He dedicated his life to agriculture, education, and public service, always striving to uplift the people and places he loved.

Eddie’s passion for education was evident through his many years of service on the DeWitt School Board, where he served for 17 years and spent 12 of those as president. He also held leadership roles with the Arkansas School Boards Association and the Phillips Community College’s foundation board in DeWitt, where he served as chairman for 10 years.

He was appointed to DeWitt Bank and Trust Company Board of Directors January 9, 1990, by Elmer Ferguson, and served 29 years on various board

committees, as well as both chairman and vice chairman of the board. He continued an additional three years on the Stone Bank Board of Directors, including six years on the trust committee. Eddie also served as chairman of the Farelly Lake Levee District of Arkansas and Jefferson counties, working in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to reduce flood damage along the Arkansas River.

Beyond his service, Eddie was a man of deep faith and natural talent. A gifted musician, he could play practically anything he heard by ear. Though he was taught piano as a child, he quickly made the music his own, often playing just for the joy it brought him. He would state when asked to play for church, that he would, but he was “playing to an audience of one.”

He and his devoted wife, Pat, raised three daughters on their family farm, which was established by his grandfather, and commemorated its centennial in 2017. Eddie’s love for the land and the beauty of God’s creation shaped his life and the legacy he leaves behind.

Eddie was the proud owner of Lumsden Farms, Inc., The Schoolhouse Lodge, and DOA Guide Service. He and Pat were faithful members of DeWitt Methodist Church. Above all, he loved his family deeply. He was a steady presence, a source of wisdom, and a quiet strength to those who knew him best. His devotion to his wife, children, and grandchildren was the foundation of his life, and this legacy will live on in the hearts of his family and friends.

Eddie is survived by his wife of 62 years, Pat Lumsden; their daughters, Stephanie Bradley (Steve) of Bayou Meto, Laura Lumsden (Kristine) of Little

Rock, Jennifer Gill (Rick) of Stuttgart; their granddaughters, Amanda Helms (Michael) of Springdale, Morgan Gill of Stuttgart, Halle Cirbus (Tom) of Little Rock, Kristin Bradley of Tontitown, Maggie Gill of Orlando; their great grandsons, Jake (11), Barrett (7) and Hunter (5) Helms, William Cirbus (1); treasured employee and lifelong friend, Lawrence Williams.

The visitation will be held at DeWitt Methodist Church on Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. A Celebration of Life will follow at 11:00 a.m.

Memorials may be made to DeWitt Methodist Church, 608 S. Grandview Drive, DeWitt, AR 72042 or The Caring & Sharing Food Pantry, P.O. Box 8, DeWitt, AR 72042.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

DeWitt Methodist Church
608 S. Grandview Dr.
DeWitt, AR 72042

Celebration of Life

MAR 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

DeWitt Methodist Church
608 S. Grandview Dr.
DeWitt, AR 72042

Tribute Wall

DS

“ I am so sorry to see mr Lumsdon died. We meet him when we were plumbing. We worked for him at his house and did the lodge. The entire family has always given us smiles. We will keep the family in our prayers. So proud to call the family our friends

diann & boone stephens - March 28, 2025 at 09:13 AM

RB

“ Pat,
I am so sorry to learn of Eddie's passing. Our prayers are with you & the family during this time of loss. Sending our love...

Mike & Rebecca (Burnett) Bryant

Rebecca Burnett Bryant - March 24, 2025 at 02:46 PM

BR

Pat,
We are so very sorry to hear this. We will be praying for you and the family, also.

Bill, Laura and Alex Rush

Bill Rush - March 25, 2025 at 07:50 AM

PK

“ Paul and Suzy Koesy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



Paul and Suzy Koesy - March 24, 2025 at 02:40 PM

RK

“ Ron & Ginny Keltner purchased the *Fairest of All* for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



Ron & Ginny Keltner - March 24, 2025 at 01:26 PM

LS

“ I will always remember Mr Eddie very fondly. I loved how friendly he was when I performed with him in the late 80s/early 90s in the South Arkansas County Fine Arts Council (SACFAC). When I got married in 1999, the only people I wanted to play at my reception was Mr. Eddie's band. I remember that he “came out of retirement” to make it happen. He was kind and funny. I'm sad to hear of his passing and send my deepest condolences to his family.

Leslie Sexton - March 24, 2025 at 01:14 PM

LM

“ Love Art & Theresa, Debra, Monetta purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



Love Art & Theresa, Debra, Monetta - March 24, 2025 at 12:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.

March 24, 2025 at 11:23 AM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



March 24, 2025 at 11:23 AM



“ *Prentice And Sue Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden*



Prentice and Sue Davis - March 24, 2025 at 08:32 AM



We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Praying for you and your Family. Kenny Pottorff is heartbroken for you all.

Prentice and Sue Davis - March 24, 2025 at 08:34 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*

March 24, 2025 at 01:07 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



March 24, 2025 at 01:07 AM



“ From Rick Hudgeons family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



From Rick Hudgeons family - March 24, 2025 at 12:26 AM



“ Megan, Sean, Liam, and Lainey Withem purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



Megan, Sean, Liam, and Lainey Withem - March 23, 2025 at 08:19 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



March 23, 2025 at 04:48 PM

AA

“ *Angela Anne Dana Leslie Rachelle Amy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*

Angela Anne Dana Leslie Rachelle Amy - March 23, 2025 at 04:24 PM

AA

“ *Angela Anne Dana Leslie Rachelle Amy purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



Angela Anne Dana Leslie Rachelle Amy - March 23, 2025 at 04:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



March 23, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



March 23, 2025 at 01:47 PM

JH

“ James And Ester Hageman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden



James and Ester Hageman - March 23, 2025 at 10:00 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



March 22, 2025 at 10:17 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.



March 22, 2025 at 10:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.

March 22, 2025 at 08:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



March 22, 2025 at 06:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.

March 22, 2025 at 05:43 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Edwin (Eddie) Lumsden.*



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