

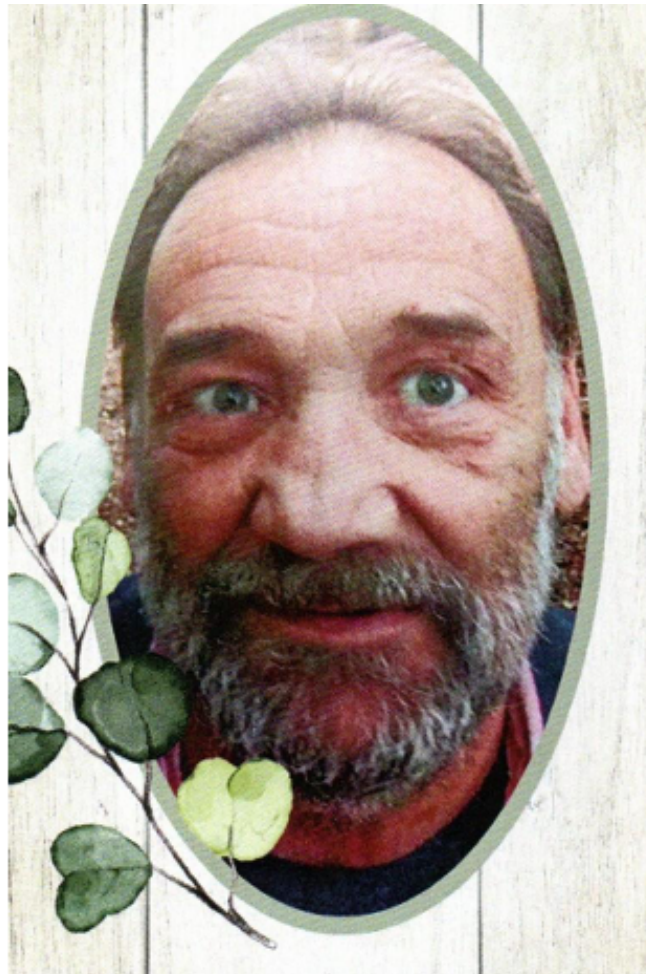
# Trees of Reflection

## **CHARLIE CALDWELL**

Walnut Tree (*Juglans regia*) planted in 2025



Charlie was a much-loved participant at The Cart Shed who sadly died of natural causes in the summer of 2024. The following was written by Charlie's daughter Selena and partner, Diana.



Charlie was a truly unique character! Funny, loving, scruffy, maverick, challenging, creative. He loved family and friends, Saluki and greyhound dogs, reading, music, dancing, blacksmithing and The Cart Shed.

He was born and he spent his early life in the heat of Kuwait, swimming, diving and visiting nearby countries. Later he had to come back to the UK to boarding school which he found very difficult. He read avidly in spite of being dyslexic it was a huge relief to him when he was finally diagnosed as an adult.

Charlie suffered from deep depressive episodes most of his life due to traumas in early teenage years, but he found a safe place with staff and friends at The Cart Shed. However bad he felt, somehow, he would get himself down to the 'woods' and he used to say, 'I've got my head on the right way now'.

For family and friends losing Charlie leaves a huge gap in our lives but memories of him always bring a smile and a chuckle at something he'd said or done.