



Col. Robert Williams

July 8, 1929 - July 12, 2012

Col. Robert Henry Williams, USAF, Retired, passed away at 2:55AM July 12th, 2012. Formerly of Maumelle, AR, he moved to Nashville in February of 2011 where he resided at Jackson Park Christian Nursing Home and then later, at 4113 Lone Oak Dr., the Wellness Home, until his passing. He is preceded by his first wife, Lynne S. Williams and leaves behind his second wife, Merle Dean Williams, who resides in Little Rock, AR. He also is preceded by his youngest son, Robert Benjamin Williams and leaves behind his eldest daughter, Cheri W. (Donnie) Spires, his daughter, Nanette Young (Brent) Little and his son, Mark Hanson Williams. Also, he leaves behind his Grandchildren, Heather (Tom) Nix, Christopher Endrenyi and Samantha Spires, Robert Morgan Young, Joseph Lee Young and Tyler Grant Young, Grandson, Robert H. Williams and Granddaughter, Abbey Williams; also his great Grandchildren, David and Josh Nix, Grayson Endrenyi, and Trevor and Ellie Spires. He is also survived by his sister, Alice Shippen, of Tucson, AZ, his sister, Jane White of Memphis, TN, a niece, Gaye (Robert) Anderson of Little Rock, AR and a nephew, Julian Williams of Decatur, IL. Col. Williams who was born in Driver, AR and later grew up in Oceola, AR was also referred to as "Willie". He graduated from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, was a member of Sigma Chi, pledge class of '51; he was commissioned into the USAF in 1951 and retired, a full Colonel January of 1978; he was a decorated war veteran of the Korean War having flown 103 confirmed missions; he also served as a Squadron Commander in Udorn, Thailand, in the Vietnam War.

He was known for his love of the outdoors, being a fisherman, and an avid fowl hunter, joining our brother, Ben, on goose hunts especially. We had a private memorial for our Father at Shaw AFB near Sumter, SC. Later, we will spread his ashes at Cheri's home in Leesville, SC, on their beautiful farm under "the Pecan Trees". He left this world knowing he was dearly loved by his family and friends and mostly knowing that Jesus took him home, peacefully and lovingly. Thank you to DJ Womack and her fiance' Donnie Beard, Dad's loving caretakers, and thank you to Dad's special longtime friend, Mr. Eugene Mason, for the special memories you shared with us, his remaining family. God bless us all, in Him. All those who wish to make a memorial to our Dad, please give donations to The Wounded Warrior Project at www.woundedwarriorproject.org/ or to The Office of Development at the University of AR.

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“ *This is a little late but I just now found Col Williams obituary. We knew the family when stationed at Shaw afb. Ben, Mark and Nanette were good friends of Polly, Penny,Patty , Robby and Paige Peters. So sorry about your parents. The kids would love to get caught up with you. Get im touch: Sandra Peters Hays, PO box 1876, clovis NM 88102*

sandra peters Hays - January 19, 2025 at 02:49 PM



“ *Col. Robert Williams*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM

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“ *Deep condolences and very fond memories from Colonel William Griffin and Lucile Griffin, friends and fellow Shaw people, and neighbors from the Mount Vernon Road days. All the very best.*

Will Griffin - August 12, 2017 at 08:48 PM

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“ We are having a Memorial for our Dad at Shaw AFB this Thursday, July 26th at 2PM. This will be a private time with my sister, Cheri, my brother, Mark, my son, Robert Morgan and our spouses. Please feel free to contact me via my email address (call the funeral home to obtain) if you are a friend or family member who would like to know more or can provide more stories about our Dad. He did pass away very peacefully at the private Wellness Home of DJ Womack and her partner, Donnie, where he spent wonderful days eating home-cooked meals, sitting outside in their garden and having loving friendship. Having said previously that he "saw Jesus" and then saying, "I want to go", he left for Heaven about 2:55AM, Thursday, July 12th. We will miss him very much and will see him again when we will all be reunited, in Him.

Nanette Young Little - July 23, 2012 at 03:22 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy at Bob's death. We were schoolmates at Osceola High School, Osceola, AR.
Outstanding individual!

Ann Maloch Edrington Moore - July 22, 2012 at 01:35 PM