# Vernon Tomie West

January 6, 1940 - October 25, 2017

Vernon Tomie West, age 77, passed away at home on October 25, 2017. Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 A.M., Monday, October 30, 2017 at Free Will Baptist Church in Skiatook, Oklahoma. Burial with honors will be at 2:00 P.M. at Fort Gibson, Oklahoma, October 30, 2017. He is was the husband of Kathyrn West, they shared 11 years together, from 2006 to 2017. Vernon was born on January 6, 1940, in Springfield, Missouri. He was the son of Tomie and Verna West. He graduated from Pawhuska High School, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, in 1959 and joined the US Air Force and graduated from Sparten School of Aeronautics. Vernon was an All American sniper shooter, enjoyed target shooting, traveling outdoors, ATV riding and motorcycle riding. He retired from American Airlines in 2003. He was a very spiritual man, he loved his God and church family. He loved all his hugs from everyone.

He is survived by his spouse, Kathyrn, three daughters; Tonia Lynn of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Sharon Denise of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma and Gloria Lea of Owasso, Oklahoma; three stepdaughters, Shirley and husband Danny of Salina, Oklahoma, Linda and husband Tuffy of Salina Oklahoma, Trenda and husband Jim of Adair, Oklahoma; two stepsons, James and wife Nancy and Robert and wife Claydean of Locust Grove, Oklahoma; four sisters, Juanita of Alabama, Doris and husband Carl of Skiatook, Oklahoma, Sandy and husband Wiley of Skiatook, Oklahoma, Maryjane of Pawhuska, Oklahoma; one brother, Ben L. and wife Jeannie of Louisiana. Also,16 grandchildren, 15

great grandchildren, uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews, and lots of friends.

# Cemetery Details

### Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK

# Previous Events

### Funeral Service

OCT **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Skatook-Landmark Freewill Baptist
2053 W Rogers Blvd
Skiatook, OK 74070-3962
(918) 396-3985

# Tribute Wall

*Vernon Tomie West*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM

*Vernon Tomie West*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM

*2 files added to the album Flowers*

**Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory** - October 30, 2017 at 10:55 AM

JB

*I knew Vernon for 21 years. He was one of the greatest mechanics and draftsman I ever knew. He loved the great outdoors for sure and loved helping others. It was an honor knowing him and his family, they are all such caring and inspirational people. Vernon was a devout believer in Christ and he truly hid God's word deep in his heart. He was never ashamed of the gospel of Jesus and he was very open with his faith as well. I can say without hesitation that he was an inspiration to me and my family. I was honored to be his pastor for several years. He always encouraged me and treated my whole family as his own. God bless you Vernon as you make your everlasting home in heaven. We all love you and will miss you, but we know you're finally in the place you were destined to be.*
*John Buchfink and family.*

**John Buchfink -** October 29, 2017 at 07:53 PM

SS

*Vernon loved adventure and was always up for a challenge. He was an excellent draftsman, engineer, and inventor. The companies he worked for have most of those but he invented whatever he needed and if he couldn't find a part, he made it too. He had a great sense of humor. I'm grateful my husband & I got to make many trips to the CO mountains and ride motorcycles on long and short trips together. We had a lot of fun times and prayer times, special times. He was a patient teacher, even when he taught my younger brother and I to drive, but he was also an avid student when it came to the Word of God. He had many words of wisdom that I will always remember. Vernon was a good singer too; no one did Johnny Horton's songs better! I'm very proud of all his awards and accomplishments. I'm proudest of his service to our America in the US Airforce. I will miss that smile of his and his laughter!*
*Go Ride high, Big Brother! I will meet you there or in the air!*
*Sande Sears*

**Sande Sears** - October 29, 2017 at 01:25 AM

RT

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**Robert & Claydean Thornton** - October 27, 2017 at 11:41 AM

RT

*To an unforgettable, wonderful, caring man. you were a inspiration to many! You have left lasting memories to a woman whom you loved dearly as she loved you, as you did all of your family. We will miss the many hugs you had for us.We will miss you at family gatherings. You will be surely and forever be missed! Robert and I ( Claydean) salute you for our freedom! And now you have yours. GOD BLESS YOU VERNON WE WILL MISS YOU!*

**Robert & Claydean Thornton** - October 27, 2017 at 11:33 AM

FA

*From your Gates Family, Siloam Springs, AR purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Vernon Tomie West.*

**From your Gates Family, Siloam Springs, AR** - October 27, 2017 at 11:29 AM

*Adoration Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Vernon Tomie West.*

October 26, 2017 at 02:52 PM

TC

*TiVo Corporation purchased the Peaceful White L ilies Basket for the family of Vernon Tomie West.*

**TiVo Corporation** - October 26, 2017 at 12:14 PM

Nancy Thornton

*Vernon was a wonderful man and I enjoyed our long discussions on Sniper rifles, gunsmithing, and loading our own ammo. We discussed politics and held the same views. He loved our Lord and he shared that spirituality with everyone. Please keep my Meme and our Family in your prayers. I will miss him.*

**Nancy Thornton** - October 25, 2017 at 10:08 PM