



Phillip W. Wells

May 19, 1944 - October 16, 2024

Master Sergeant Phillip William Wells (Ret.), 80, Scranton, Kansas, gained his heavenly wings on October 16, 2024.

He was born to Phillip and Lily Flowers Wells on May 19, 1944. Phillip met and married the love of his life, Carolyn Simmons, on August 1, 1969. Together they raised four children.

He joined the US Marines at 18 years old, where he became known as "Gunny." He served six years before being honorably discharged on August 28, 1970. Following discharge, he worked in the private sector for several years and then in 1983, Phillip joined the Air Force National Guard. He served 21 years, retiring in 2004.

Phillip enjoyed his retirement while fishing, hunting and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his son, Charles Prewit; daughters, Brenda Rose (Tracy) and Shelly Wright (Joe); 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters and two brothers.

Phillip was preceded in death by his wife, Carolyn Wells in 2007; daughter, Debbie Wells; grandson, Justin; and four brothers.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Friday, October 18, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Funeral service will follow at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in Emmanuel Cemetery, 5344 SE 53rd Street, Berryton, Kansas.

Memorial contributions may be made to Topeka Rescue Mission sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Emmanuel Cemetery

5344 SE 53rd Street
Berryton, KS 66409

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TR

“ Thoughts and prayers go out to family and friends.
Proud to have Phil for a friend, a co-worker both in the private sector, as well as in the 190th. Helped convince him to join the 190th.
Can't say enough about him. Good man.
Only found out this evening of his passing.
Msgr Tom Roit 190th (retired)

Tom Roit - November 07, 2024 at 08:55 PM

TH

“ I'm sorry to hear of your passing you will be missed have lots of fun memories My condolences to the family love Tammy Highfill

Tammy Highfill - October 21, 2024 at 05:37 PM

PO

“ sorry to hear of phil "gunny" wells passing, a truly awesome mentor, co-worker and even more important a great friend. I had the pleasure to work with phil for quite a few years at the 190th ARW, had lots of good trips, memories, and times together, he will be missed greatly. phil had a great personality and a great sense of humor and was a hard worker that gave a 110% all the time, love and miss you little buddy, your friend, MSgt paul owens 190th ARW (ret)

paul owens - October 17, 2024 at 03:49 PM

SW

“ I'm truly honored to call you my Dad! Thank you for choosing me to take care of you in your final days. I wish it was longer. I love you so much

Shelly Wright - October 17, 2024 at 01:54 PM

JW

“ Great day with these guys and a great memory!



Jannell Wells - October 16, 2024 at 08:01 PM

CG

Fly high uncle Phillip gives Debbie big hugs for and aunt Carol to I know you're in heaven with them both this is no good bye I been there you all one of these days and know you're looking down on all of us gives big hugs for me I will miss you love you uncle Phillip

Cynthia Grissom - October 16, 2024 at 10:58 PM

SW

He loved his Brothers so much.

Shelly Wright - October 17, 2024 at 01:55 PM