



CMSgt Wendell J. Nusser (Ret.)

October 1, 1930 - November 4, 2015

Wendell J. Nusser, 85, Topeka, passed away Wednesday, November 4, 2015.

Wendell was born October 1, 1930, in Rolla KS to parents, Walter and Anna Hooten Nusser. Graduating from Plevna High School, Wendell married his high school sweetheart, Donna Pieplow, who survives him after 64 years of marriage.

Wendell proudly dedicated 43 years of service to our country in the US Air Force and Kansas Air National Guard. During this time he received many honors including the AF Meritorious Service Medal, National Defense Medal and Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.

Preceded in death by his brother, Lee E. Nusser, Wendell is survived by his children, Greg Nusser (Vicki) and Kay McDowell (Robb); grandchildren, Robbie McDowell and Kristi Cavitte (Jerry); great-grandchildren, Miles and Maci Cavitte; as well as sisters, Sharon Bartz and Jan Bruner.

His love of family and friends will be celebrated with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home and at a Memorial Service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Lowman United Methodist Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Combat Air Museum or The First Tee of Shawnee County, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Memorial Service

NOV 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

Lowman United Methodist Church
4400 SW Drury Lane
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of CMSgt Wendell J. Nusser (Ret.)



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - November 08, 2015 at 02:34 PM



“ CMSgt Wendell J. Nusser (Ret.)

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Kay I am so sorry to hear of Wendell's passing. He always had a great smile and Dana loved visiting with him. I was unaware of his passing until today and we missed the services. I am so sorry. Take Care. Janet Carter

Janet A. Carter - November 16, 2015 at 07:30 PM



“ Chief Nursery was a real jewel. When I came to the 190th he made me feel welcome even though I came from the 184th. Prayers to his family and his extended family, the Kansas Air National Guard. David Hudson, MSgt, ret.



David Hudson - November 09, 2015 at 09:16 PM

BG

“ I have known Chief Nusser since the late 1960s. Always enjoyed being around him marveling at his many talents. I remember the cars he rebuilt, the camper he rebuilt and the self-in-house project he oversaw of building a Security Control Center for our Security Forces after we joined SAC. It was identified as "the best ever in the entire Air Force". After the base closed Wendell's responsibilities mounted to a level no one would have ever anticipated. A complete new program was developed of State Employees and 24 hour coverage and Wendell took it all in stride. When we converted to SAC the impact on Security was overwhelming to everyone on base. The entry points to the flight line, the aircraft on 24 hour alert, the protection of the parameter were just a few of the new security disciplines that had to be learned and supported whether we liked it or not! Chief Nusser was the one to make it work base wide by his professionalism, personality and leadership. We worked together for many years and I have never received better support from a Sr NCO. than I received from Wendell. I cherished his friendship and marveled at his leadership and development of NCOs. We will all miss that great sile and that always positive asking how we are doing. He definitely left a legacy and will be missed by all of us. Bob Webb, KS Air Guard

Bob Webb, Ks Air Guard - November 09, 2015 at 05:47 PM

RS

“ Chief Nusser, it was a honor to work under you at Kansas Air National Guard. You always had a smile. I was Blessed to know you. Kay and Family, my prayers are with you. God's Blessings.

Rebecca Schiefelbein - November 09, 2015 at 09:16 AM

LL

“ I had the priviledge of serving with Wendell in the KS ANG and remember his warm and friendly personality along with his dedication to duty. He had a positive influence on so many young people. I know that his family feels a terrible loss, but have consolation in the fact that God has taken him to a better place.
Larry Lovett, KS ANG (Ret)

Larry Lovett - November 09, 2015 at 09:02 AM

JS

“ Every memory I have of Wendell is of him either smiling or making a joke. He had a wonderful personality and will be greatly missed. He made the world a better place and he leaves behind a beautiful legacy of lives that he has touched. Sending love and prayers to Donna, Aunt Kay, Uncle Robb, Kristi, and Robbie.



Jessica (McDowell) Sonnett - November 08, 2015 at 10:13 PM

DC

“ Wendell and started in 1st grade and graduated in 1948 from Plevna HIGH school, He was my best friend all through school, when one of us was in trouble we were both in trouble, He will be missed, I pray that God will wrap his arms around Donna, Chidren and great grand Children, God Bless.

Duane Childs - November 08, 2015 at 07:56 PM

DF

“ I grew up next door and was glad to have his family there. So many goog memories.he was a good man. You are all in my prayers. Dennis fuller

dennis fuller - November 08, 2015 at 01:34 PM

VI

“ He was such a sweet person and definitely a great landlord! My kids loved seeing him. My family will keep your family in our prayers!



Victorya - November 07, 2015 at 08:57 PM

SS

“ What a great man. Very glad to have known him. So very sorry for your loss. The family is in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time. Peace Be You Always. God Bless !!

Sharon Shepherd Smith

Sharon Shepherd Smith - November 07, 2015 at 12:58 PM