



Robert Murphree Overbey, Master Sergeant US AF Ret.

April 9, 1938 - July 27, 2024

Robert Murphree Overbey, Master Sergeant US AF Ret. (April 9, 1938 - July 27, 2024) Obituary

Robert Murphree Overbey (also known as Bob), Master Sergeant US AF Ret. passed away from this life on Saturday, July 27, 2024. He loyally and honorably served in the United States Air Force from 1956 to 1980. He earned his B.A. near the end of his service, and he continued to work in communications (which was one of his many specialties while in the military) for several different companies after his retirement.

Always an artist, tinkerer, and history buff, two of his hobbies after retirement were restoring old mannequins and various toys. Some were very lifelike, and, at times, his family would find it both creepy and amusing, but he always used his creative talent in unique ways. An example of this unique talent can be seen in two of his favorite restoration projects that he donated to the Lewis and Clark Museum located in his childhood home of Hohenwald, Tennessee. They are beautiful likenesses of Sacagawea and her papoose.

In his current community and church, he was known for being a kind, humble, giving, and quiet man. He loved his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren very much, and in his later years, his home became the hub for almost all family gatherings and activities. It was dubbed "The Gathering Place."

He is survived by his loving children Tamathy Williams, Stephanie Healy, Mary

Uzzell, and R. Todd Overbey, and the beloved mother of his children and lifelong friend Shirley Jarrett (Thompson) (Overbey, 1956-1977).

Grandchildren: Courtney Overbey, Kyle Healy, Jeremy Williams (Kristen), Kevin Healy (Jessica), Joey Overbey (Megan), Ricky Healy, and Jacob Uzzell, four great-grandchildren, two step-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Joe Herbert Overbey Sr. and Myrtle Estelle Murphree Overbey; brother, Joe Herbert Overbey Jr.; sisters, Margarite Hinson, Annabel Brown, and Eleanor Brown; and a great-granddaughter, Lillian Nicole Healy.

Our loss is Heaven's gain, and his family and loved ones will miss him dearly. However, even in our grief, we know we can also rejoice because the Heavenly Father has called him home.

A graveside service with military honors will be held on Saturday, August 24 beginning at 1:00 PM in the Swiss Cemetery in Hohenwald, TN, and will be presided over by Joseph Griner, preacher and Mr. Overbey's high school classmate. Following the service, friends and relatives are invited to share condolences, memories, and food at Piney Baptist Church in Hohenwald, TN.

Cemetery Details

Swiss Cemetery

281 Summertown Hwy
Hohenwald, TN 38462

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KH

“ *Please accept my condolences and prayers.* ”

Keith Holsted - August 24, 2024 at 12:03 PM

KH

“ *Keith Holsted lit a candle in memory of Robert Overbey* ”



Keith Holsted - August 24, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ *Betty Love lit a candle in memory of Robert Murphree Overbey, Master Sergeant US AF Ret.* ”



Betty Love - August 23, 2024 at 03:43 PM

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“ *MICHAEL BATES sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Murphree Overbey, Master Sergeant US AF Ret.* ”



MICHAEL BATES - August 19, 2024 at 10:47 AM

MU

Thank you! ❤️

Mary (Overbey) Uzzell

Mary Uzzell - August 23, 2024 at 10:33 AM

RG

“ Ronald Gammons lit a candle in memory of Robert Overbey



Ronald Gammons - August 16, 2024 at 08:40 PM

MU

Thank you! ❤️

Mary (Overbey) Uzzell

Mary Uzzell - August 23, 2024 at 01:53 PM

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“ A heart attack almost claimed dad's life over 20 years ago but he survived to see his grandchildren become adults. Dad is missed for a number of reasons but especially due to his home being "the gathering place" for whatever life event was worth celebrating over a good meal. Condolences to my siblings (Love You Always, Tammy Overbey Williams)



Tammy Williams - August 16, 2024 at 05:49 PM