



## Merlin G. Taylor

June 27, 1946 - January 31, 2026

Merlin Guy Taylor returned to the arms of his wife on January 31, 2026. He is survived by his daughters Anita, Tina, and Christina Taylor. He was born in Safford, Arizona on June 27, 1946 to Richard and Hilda Taylor.

Merlin spent 22 years in the Navy after receiving his draft notice in Vietnam. He spent the majority of his time in the Navy at NAS North Island in San Diego, CA working in the sonar as part of a helicopter crew. After the Navy Merlin drove trucks long haul for many years, the majority of the time working for Dunagan Trucking out of Willcox.

Merlin was a lifelong faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His love for his family and his love for the gospel were the only things that outshone his love for his country. He also enjoyed dad jokes, and music, especially singing in the church choir. A Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2026, from 5 to 7 PM at Westlawn Chapel. Graveside services will be 10:00 am on Friday, February 20, 2026, at Sunset Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Cemetery

N. Sunset Strip Road  
Willcox, AZ 85643

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

Westlawn Chapel & Mortuary Inc.  
105 S Arizona Avenue  
Willcox, AZ 85643  
(520) 384-2413  
westwx@vtc.net  
<https://www.westlawnchapelmortuary.com>

## Graveside

FEB **20**. 10:00 AM (MT)

Sunset Cemetery  
N. Sunset Strip Road  
Willcox, AZ 85643

# Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Jody Clement lit a candle in memory of Merlin Taylor*



**Jody Clement** - February 07 at 06:35 PM

SA

“ *Susan Arbuthnot lit a candle in memory of Merlin Taylor*



**Susan Arbuthnot** - February 01 at 09:07 AM

CD

“ *Carol Dickson lit a candle in memory of Merlin Taylor*



**Carol Dickson** - February 01 at 12:06 AM

BA

“ *Betsy and Cary Ajeman lit a candle in memory of Merlin Taylor*



**Betsy and Cary Ajeman** - January 31 at 10:41 PM

BA

*our deepest sympathies to you, Anita*

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**Betsy Ajeman** - February 02 at 06:44 AM

CD

“ *Carol Dunagan lit a candle in memory of  
Merlin Taylor*



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**Carol Dunagan** - January 31 at 07:54 PM