



## TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired)

March 28, 1937 - October 13, 2024

TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired) of Willcox passed away at home Sunday evening October 13, 2024, at the age of 87. Ed was born in Yuma, Arizona on March 28, 1937, to Fenton T. Stewart and Syble E. (Stacey) Stewart. He joined the United States Army as his first enlistment and was in the Special Forces and as a second enlistment he joined the United States Air Force, joined the US Air Force Distinguished Rifleman Program and was one of the first to receive the Distinguished Rifleman Badge. Ed retired with the rank of TSgt. and was a life member of the Special Forces Association, was a member of the Military Marksmanship Association and was a Mason with the Grand Lodge of Texas Valley-Hi Lodge # 1407. On July 1, 1978, in Singapore he married his wife Sylvia who survives him. He is also survived by his daughter Sharon Stewart and grandchildren Michael (Brandy) Whiteley, Melanie Whiteley, Madalyn Fontenot and Matthew Whiteley and his great grandchildren Alyssa Whiteley, Kennedy Whiteley and Aaron Whiteley. Ed's sister Pat Purcell and sister-in-law Frances Stewart along with numerous nieces and nephews also survive him. Preceding him in death was his parents, a granddaughter Michelle Whiteley and his brother Robert Stewart. Funeral Services will be at 9:00 am on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at Westlawn Chapel. Military interment with honors will follow at noon at the Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Please be at the staging area by 11:30 am.

Topic: Ed Stewart Funeral Service

Time: Oct 17, 2024 08:15 AM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83155707041?pwd=brXH56gJo3DvA1y1Na75DHZWGAIGkv.1>

Meeting ID: 831 5570 7041

Passcode: 369975

# Cemetery Details

## Southern Arizona Veteran's Memorial Cemetery

1300 Buffalo Soldier Trail  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635  
(520) 458-7144

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

OCT 17. 9:00 AM (MT)

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

## Staging Area Line Up

OCT 17. 11:30 AM (MT)

Southern Arizona Veteran's Memorial Cemetery  
1300 Buffalo Soldier Trail  
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635  
(520) 458-7144

## **Military Service**

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OCT 17. 12:00 PM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall

KB

“ *Katie Bethel lit a candle in memory of TSGT Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired)*



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**Katie Bethel** - October 18, 2024 at 02:16 PM

NW

“ *norman welch lit a candle in memory of TSGT Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired)*



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**norman welch** - October 17, 2024 at 12:35 AM

JB

“ *Sylvia and Family,  
I am so sorry to hear about Ed's passing. He was a very kind and gentle man. I pray God will comfort and watch over you.*

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**Judy Bailey** - October 16, 2024 at 03:02 PM

PP

“ *Pat Purcell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired).*

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**Pat Purcell** - October 16, 2024 at 10:19 AM

PP

“ Pat Purcell purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired).



Pat Purcell - October 16, 2024 at 10:19 AM



“ Betsy Ajeman lit a candle in memory of TSGT Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired)



Betsy Ajeman - October 16, 2024 at 06:20 AM

SS

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Sharon Stewart - October 16, 2024 at 02:33 AM

KT

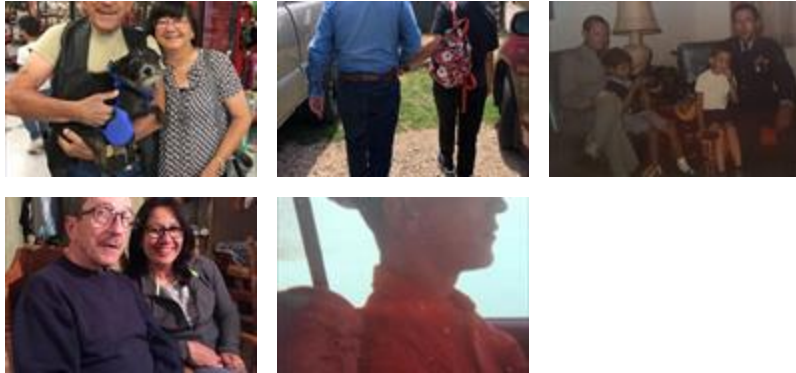
“ Kathy Thatcher lit a candle in memory of TSGT Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired)



Kathy Thatcher - October 16, 2024 at 12:01 AM

SS

“ 5 files added to the album tribute wall



Sharon Stewart - October 15, 2024 at 09:16 PM

FS

“ Frances Stewart, Kevin, Don & Sally planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired).

Frances Stewart, Kevin, Don & Sally - October 15, 2024 at 01:08 PM

FS

“ Frances Stewart, Kevin, Don & Sally purchased the Magnificent Life Sprax for the family of TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired).



Frances Stewart, Kevin, Don & Sally - October 15, 2024 at 01:08 PM

KP

“ Karen Burkett and family from PA purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of TSgt Finton" Ed" Stewart (USAF Retired).



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**Karen Burkett and family from PA** - October 15, 2024 at 11:09 AM

VI

“ Vickie lit a candle in memory of Finton" Ed" Stewart



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**Vickie** - October 14, 2024 at 05:00 PM