



# **Carrol Wayne Nees**

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**C**arrol Wayne Nees, 74, of Broken Arrow, passed away March 24, 2021. He was born on April 20, 1946 in Drumright, Oklahoma to Carroll and Mary Nees. After joining the United States Army in 1963, Wayne served three tours in Vietnam where he was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for his sacrifice, bravery and honor while serving his country.

After active duty, he joined the Army Nat'l Guard Reserves and became a Tulsa Police Officer in 1973 while concurrently earning a Associates degree from TCU. Wayne spent 10 years serving the City of Tulsa before he chose to return to his first love, the United States Army. Wayne retired as a highly decorated Master Sergeant on August 31st of 1994.

After retirement, he began working for the security company Wackenhut before beginning an 8 year career in contract security for military bases in Bosnia and Kuwait.

Wayne was a leader in every aspect of his life. He had a quiet strength about him. His presence was comforting. His confidence was calming. He was such a wise man with a unquenchable thirst for knowledge. His experiences in life taught him that nothing meant more than family. He often used those experiences to teach invaluable lessons to his children and grandchildren. He accepted people as they were. He was proud of people's accomplishments and didn't judge them by their failures. He lived a full life and touched the lives of so many along the way. These are just a few of the things we loved about this great man.

Wayne dedicated his life to serving his family, his country, and his community. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents and Brother-in-arms, Jerry Paschall.

Wayne is survived by his adoring wife and absolute love, Kimberlie; Three sons Brandon Nees, Michael Bilby, David Nees; Three daughters Jennifer Nees, Michelle



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Bilby, Jennifer Rose Nees; Four grandchildren Cameron, Alexandra, Colten, Macie;  
Two sisters Hope Cox, Chaunette Bilby; one brother Joseph Bilby.



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MV

**Maxwell Vargas** posted:

I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Nees while doing security work in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Mr. Nees was a great mentor and friend. He was consistent with showing up to duty and lead by example. I learned so much from him, we had great conversations together about family and home, and he left me with a lot of good advice and encouragement. He never spoke about all of his accomplishments or was boastful about what he earned, he was kind hearted and modest, loved his family, and loved the guys he served with. I love you Wayne, see you in heaven.

March 1 at 8:51 AM

DH

**Darrell Hicks** posted:

To the family: I am sorry for your loss. I also went to school with Wayne at Edison Elementary and High School in Drumright, Ok. He was a good friend and loved by all. May God bless you and comfort you in your loss. Darrell Hicks

March 31 at 8:36 AM

JN

**Jennifer Nees** posted:

Rest in peace Dad. I have made a donation in your name to the Fisher House Foundation that provides to support to families of wounded soldiers. -Jennifer

March 31 at 5:15 AM

SF

**Sharon Merrill-Ferguson** posted:

Dear Family - So very sorry to hear about Wayne's passing. He and I were classmates from elementary through high school. I remember him as one of the nicest, most intelligent and fun-loving big guys who was liked by everyone. It is no surprise that he was highly successful and dearly loved throughout his life -- such a wonderful legacy he has left you, and for generations to come. God Bless, Sharon Merrill-Ferguson, DHS Class of '64

March 30 at 7:39 AM



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