



## Mr. Bart Wheeler

April 13, 1948 - October 20, 2014

Funeral services for Barton McDonald “Bart” Wheeler, 66, of Mt. Enterprise, will be held at 9:30 am, Thursday, October 23, 2014 in the chapel of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home with Rev. Marty Grounds officiating. Interment will be at Dallas-Ft. Worth National Cemetery in Grand Prairie at 2:00 pm, Thursday, October 23, 2014 under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

Visitation will be from 5-7 pm, Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at Crawford-A Crim Funeral Home.

Mr. Wheeler passed away at his home on October 20th. Bart was born April 13, 1948, in Yazoo City, Mississippi. An Eagle Scout and graduate of Grand Prairie High School, Bart served in the United States Army from 1968 to 1971, including a tour of duty in Vietnam. A helicopter pilot, he earned the rank of Chief Warrant Officer and was awarded an Air Medal, a Bronze Star, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and two Purple Hearts. He later served as an officer of the Irving Police Department and was employed by Texas Utilities Mining Company.

Bart was a member of Sulphur Springs Missionary Baptist Church in Mt. Enterprise.

He was preceded in death by his father, Lucian “Bud” Wheeler.

Bart is survived by his wife of 47 years, Juanita "Nita" Wheeler; son Jason and wife Kyla, all of Mt. Enterprise; mother Bobbie Jo Wheeler and brothers Marc and Scott Wheeler of Henderson; grandchildren Andy Enloe and Ali Lang and husband David Lang, and great-grandson Gabriel Enloe, all of Dallas, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Corey Brown, Randy Brown, Chad Brown, Anthony Cantrell, Matt Wheeler, Jerry Gill, Andrew Enloe, and Ed Schmidt.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial gifts be made in Bart's honor to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675, or to the Sulpher Springs Missionary Baptist Church 17564 CR 3227, Mt Enterprise, Texas 75681.

# Cemetery Details

## Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery

2000 Mountain Creek Parkway  
Dallas, TX 75211

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home  
1414 South Main Street  
Henderson, TX 75654  
(903) 657-2562  
murphy@crawfordacrim.com  
<https://www.crawfordacrim.com/>

## Service

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## Graveside

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OCT **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery  
2000 Mountain Creek Parkway  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - October 22, 2014 at 03:22 PM

AH

“ *April Hines lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**April Hines** - May 11, 2015 at 06:19 AM

LN

“ *Nita:  
I am so sorry to find out about Bart. I did not know until now. I am sure he is having a good time with Sam. God bless you and the family. Will miss him greatly.  
Love Lynn Nacol*

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**Lynn Nacol** - October 29, 2014 at 09:38 AM

MH

“Michael and I are sending our love and prayers to you and your family Nita. We wish we could have been there today. The few times that I met Bart, he made me laugh so, that tells me that he had a sense of humor and was someone that I wish I knew better. We are thinking of you and praying for peace in your heart. This poem helped me with I lost a person close to me and I hope it helps you. We love you!

*When I Must Leave You*

*When I must leave you  
for a little while  
Please do not grieve  
and shed wild tears  
and bring your sorrow to you  
through the years*

*But start out bravely  
with a gallant smile  
and for my sake  
and in my name  
live on and do  
all things the same*

*Feed not your loneliness  
on empty days  
but fill each waking hour  
in useful ways*

*Reach out your hand  
in comfort and in cheer  
and I in turn will comfort you  
and hold your dear*

*And never, never  
be afraid to die*

*for I am waiting for you, in the sky!*

*Helen Steiner Rice*

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**Michele Hoot** - October 23, 2014 at 03:17 PM

RS

“ *Very sorry to hear about Bart. Within the last two weeks I was telling someone a story that Bart had told me about his days working security on the Dallas Cowboys bench.*

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**Robbie Stephens** - October 23, 2014 at 10:37 AM

CJ

“ *Carol Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**Carol Jones** - October 22, 2014 at 10:54 PM

LS

“ *Nita and Jason*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you - we so love coming to see you and always will have the family memories. all our love Lynn, Ken and Jeanne*

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**lynn styne** - October 22, 2014 at 07:49 PM

RM

“ Words cannot express how sad Dick and I are. We loved our Bart so much. There is no end to the stories we could tell of our adventures with the Wheelers. -- our Christmas pig, trip to Florida , trip to WI , Vegas , so many others including Bart Nita and Andy to the rescue when we got stuck in the sand last spring. Love to you Nita, Jason and Kyla. We're with you in spirit.

Rose Meixl - October 22, 2014 at 02:47 PM

DS

“ Black Bart and I flew together in the Avenger Gun Platoon during 1969 in Vietnam. You will be missed.

Dave Speer Avenger #10

Dave Speer - October 22, 2014 at 12:55 PM

DW

“ Nita & Jason,  
Bart is very memorable. We had good times at choir parties and at church. Tim & I will keep you both in our prayers. Love to you both at this very difficult time.

Debbie Wasson - October 22, 2014 at 11:07 AM

DW

“ Debbie Wasson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler



Debbie Wasson - October 22, 2014 at 11:00 AM

BC

“ Bobby Colston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler



Bobby Colston - October 22, 2014 at 10:47 AM

JG

“ Bart was a genuine great person, funny, caring, loving, and always there for me. Someone I could confide in and feel better for having done so. I will always have fond memories of days gone by. I will never forget him. Love you Nita.  
Jerry Gill

JERRY GILL - October 22, 2014 at 10:04 AM

BC

“ Bobby D. Colston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler



Bobby D. Colston - October 22, 2014 at 09:42 AM

LM

“ Lottie Morris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler



Lottie Morris - October 22, 2014 at 07:58 AM

LC

“ *What a sad loss! Nita and family, I am just so sorry! I pray that you will be comforted and uplifted by the love that surrounds you and the God who will never leave you.*

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**Linda Crabtree** - October 21, 2014 at 09:36 PM

AM

“ *Amy Miley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**Amy Miley** - October 21, 2014 at 08:46 PM

JH

“ *Jo & Scott - You are in our thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time. We pray for your strength and courage through your Love for God and His Grace. If you need anything at all, please contact us if we can help. Much Love from Joe & Lill Haley*

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**Joe & Lill Haley** - October 21, 2014 at 06:29 PM

BA

“ *Dear Nita, Jo, Jason and family, I am so sorry to hear of Bart's passing. I am too far away to attend the services, but will have you all in my thoughts and prayers. May God comfort you and give you peace. Love, Betty Alspaugh-Turner*

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**Betty Alspaugh-Turner** - October 21, 2014 at 05:37 PM

TR

“ *My parents and I are thinking of you and yours with our deepest sympathies and much love.*

*Tamara Respass  
Nashville  
Charley & Linda Respass  
Crowder*

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**Tam Respass** - October 21, 2014 at 04:26 PM

RS

“ *3 files added to the album Avenger9 - Black Bart*



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**Randy Storey** - October 21, 2014 at 03:13 PM

BP

“ *Nita, I am so sorry to for you loss. May God comfort you during this time*

*Beth Hale Pope*

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**Beth Pope** - October 21, 2014 at 02:33 PM

RS

“ *Randy & Deb Storey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**Randy & Deb Storey** - October 21, 2014 at 02:00 PM

RS

“ To my Brother, best friend and the Gunship Pilot who showed me how to stay alive in Nam.

*R.I.P. Black Bart*



Randy Storey - October 21, 2014 at 01:57 PM

RS

“ 10 files added to the album Avenger9 - Black Bart



Randy Storey - October 21, 2014 at 01:50 PM

RS

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Randy Storey** - October 21, 2014 at 01:45 PM

DM

“ *Donna McNevin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**Donna McNevin** - October 21, 2014 at 12:05 PM

DM

*Our prayers and thoughts are with you Nita and Jason, we cherish the memories of your friendship and want you to know how much we love you!*

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**Donna McNevin** - October 21, 2014 at 04:51 PM

 Pat  
Patterson

“ *Pat Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler*



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**Pat Patterson** - October 21, 2014 at 11:44 AM

AL

“ A light has gone out in Rusk County. Bart & Nita were among my first friends when I moved back to East Texas and are some of the best people I have ever known. Nita, hugs and prayers to you and Jason. I love you all!



Alexa - October 21, 2014 at 11:34 AM

NC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, Nita and Jason. I can only smile when I think of how he always made me laugh. Memories of Bart will always remain strong and forever in my heart.  
Nikki Jo Flanagan Clark

Nikki Jo Flanagan Clark - October 21, 2014 at 09:46 AM



“ I will always remember how you cooked for us at a holiday when Nita and I worked late for Mothers Day And Valentines day. Bart was an awesome cook. I will treasure having worked at Rayford Florist with yall. I love you. Sonja Hale Patterson

Sonja Hale Patterson - October 20, 2014 at 06:32 PM



“ Sonja Hale Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Bart Wheeler



Sonja Hale Patterson - October 20, 2014 at 06:29 PM

JC

“ *Nita and Jason, I am so very sorry. I loved Bart so much and he made so many memories for me when I was younger. Skip Bo was the best. I love you and please know you are close to my heart.*

*Judy Stephens Case*

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**Judy Case** - October 20, 2014 at 05:07 PM

BG

“ *Nita & Jason,  
So sad to hear about Bart. We have lots of fun times together and will cherish those memories. Prayers for peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

*John & Bonnie Geddie*

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**Bonnie Geddie** - October 20, 2014 at 02:26 PM