



## CW3 (Ret) Andrew Griffin Jr.

December 22, 1951 - February 1, 2026

Andrew Griffin, Jr. was born in Earle, Arkansas on December 20, 1951, to the late Andrew Griffin, Sr. and the late Lovennis White-Griffin. He was called home to be with the Lord on Sunday, February 1, 2026.

Andrew graduated from Dunbar High School with the Class of 1970.

Andrew was a proud United States military veteran, dedicating 20 years to honorable service and retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer 3. Throughout his career, he received several awards and commendations, including the Meritorious Service Medal – 2nd Award, Army Commendation Medal – 5th Award, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Good Conduct Medal – 3rd Award, National Defense Service Medal – 2nd Award, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon – 3rd Award, Safe Drivers Badge, Mechanic Badge, and Expert Qualification Badge M-16 Rifle. While stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, he served with the 5th Engineer Battalion.

After retiring from the military, Andrew continued his commitment to service with the Department of Defense TACOM (Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command). He remained actively involved with the 44th Engineer Battalion Association, preserving lifelong connections with his fellow service members.

Andrew's military career took him around the world, serving in and visiting many countries such as Korea, Germany, Canada, Iraq, Afghanistan, and more. While stationed in Seoul, South Korea, he met the love of his life, Aekyong Kim. They were married on February 11, 1974, and together they built a life grounded in love, faith, and shared experiences across the globe.

Andrew was admired and loved by many. Renowned for his strong work ethic, he was a devoted provider who proudly cared for his family. He lived a life marked by service, strength, and integrity. Most importantly, he cherished his family and will be remembered as a loving son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, and friend.

Affectionately known as "Bunny", "Junior" or "Andy" by close friends and family, Andy leaves behind a legacy of faith, honor, and unwavering love.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Debra Udell; his mother, Lovennis White-Griffin; and his father, Andrew Griffin.

Andrew leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, AeKyong Griffin of the home; four children, Angela Griffin of Alexander, AR, Amy Griffin of Little Rock, AR, Jerome Griffin of Little Rock, AR, and James Griffin of Waynesville, MO; nine grandchildren, Deante Gaskins, Jaylon Mosby, Jasmin Mosby, Jordan Griffin, Kyra Griffin, Myles Khabeer, Omarion Talbert, Amia Griffin, and Alyza Griffin; four great-grandchildren, Gianna Mosby, Kai Washington, Aaliyah Mosby, and Kiyomi Washington. He is also survived by six siblings: Hazel Walker of Little Rock, AR, Elizabeth Smith-McKinney (Tyree) of Little Rock, AR, Beverly Wade (Guy) of Little Rock, AR, Dwayne Griffin (Tracina) of Kansas City, MO, Darren Griffin of Bryant, AR, and Carlton White (Dinora) of Lawrenceville, GA; brother-in-law, Eugene Udell; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Though he has transitioned from this earthly life, Andrew's commitment to his country and family will live on in our hearts forever.

Funeral services were held at 12:00 p.m. Friday, February 13, 2026, in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Pastor Eugene Udell, Sr. officiating. Scripture reading and obituary reading was provided by Tyria White, opening prayer by Guy Wade, acknowledgments by Tondalayo Wade, and video by Jerome Griffin. Serving as honorary escorts were Dwayne Griffin, Darren Griffin, Carlton White, Jerome Griffin, and James Griffin. Burial with military honors followed in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of Waynesville, Missouri with military honors being provided by the United States Army of Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Services were under the care and direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Andrew Griffin and may be left at Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

# Cemetery Details

## Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H  
Waynesville, MO 65583

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 13. 11:00 AM.

Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

## Funeral Service

FEB 13. 12:00 PM.

Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

# Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Webcast in memory of CW3 (Ret) Andrew Griffin Jr.*



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**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - February 16 at 02:31 PM

JJ

“ *To the family of my friend and classmate of 1970 Dunbar High school. May God bless you all and give you strength. Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal. Jesse Johnson , Benton Harbor, Mi*

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**jesse johnson** - February 12 at 02:15 PM

TS

“ *Our Hearts and Prayers to you! Andy was a great man, friend and Brother!!! He will be missed!*

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**Travis Spurrier** - February 11 at 02:55 PM

CW

“ *I remember his kindness when my father passed away. My father regarded Andy as one of the best people he knew. He enjoyed the trips they took together. I'm sure he leaves a hole in the hearts of his family. Sending prayers of comfort. The family of Jake Burger*



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**Christina Waterfield** - February 10 at 05:19 PM

DL

“ DEYONNE LEAKS lit a candle in memory of Andrew Griffin



DEYONNE LEAKS - February 10 at 08:41 AM

DL

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DEYONNE LEAKS - February 10 at 08:37 AM

RH

“ I will miss the great times we had at the 44th Engineer reunions.

Rex Hurd - February 09 at 04:35 PM

DL

“ Condolences to my family.  
May God strengthen you in the days to come.  
Praying 🙏 for you.

Love and prayers  
Deyonne White Leaks



Deyonne White Leaks - February 09 at 03:03 PM

DL

“ *My condolences to the family.  
I will miss you.  
We spent so much time at each other homes growing up.  
You were more as a brother to my family.  
Rest in peace.*

*Your cousin  
Deyonne White Leaks*

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**DEYONNE LEAKS** - February 09 at 02:59 PM

GW

“ *The few years Andy have lived, great and many accomplishments  
have been made.  
He have much love from family, friends, soliders that trained, and  
served under you.  
Their are many from the community Andy grew up around, send  
their love and condolences to the family.  
To the family, from a ( comrade) brother-in-law and sister. Andrew  
(Bunny/Jr) Griffin Jr.  
The earthly body is gone but your spirit continue to live within us all.  
Guy and Beverly Wade*

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**Guy & Beverly (Griffin) Wade** - February 08 at 06:08 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of CW3 Andrew Griffin Jr., give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom.  
You will not be forgotten...  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US Army Veteran, CW3 Andrew Griffin Jr., is “A True American Hero” God Bless†  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - February 08 at 07:21 AM

EM

*My brother, my brother this hard is all I can say.my  
Heart is so heavy now since you are gone  
I love you. My brother. You will always be missed and never forgotten  
LOVE YOU*

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**Elizabeth MCKINNEY** - February 09 at 02:57 PM

SW

“ *I will miss you! I can here your laugh right now! Rest now my uncle,  
you are loved.*

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**Shirlunda Walker** - February 06 at 08:25 PM