



## SSGT(Ret.) Erica Jane Wheeler

July 8, 1958 - August 21, 2024

SSGT (Ret.) Erica Jane Wheeler, a United States Air Force retiree, age 66, of Waynesville, MO, passed away Wednesday, August 21, 2024, in her home.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, Aug. 30, 2024, in the Christ Mission Church in St. Robert. Burial with Full Military Honors will follow in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Waynesville under the care and direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

Visitation will be held Friday, from 10 a.m. until service time at 11:00 a.m. in Christ Mission Church.

She is survived by her two daughters, Callie Wheeler and Carlie Wheeler, both of Waynesville, MO; three sisters: Susan Darmstatter of Waco, TX, Sara Provoe (Micah) of Jacksonville, FL, and Judy of the State of IL; sister-in-law, Jean Duffield of the State of IL; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and many friends.

Memorial contributions can be made in memory of Erica Wheeler and may be left at the church or the funeral home.

Online condolences can be sent at [www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com](http://www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com)



# Cemetery Details

## Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H  
Waynesville, MO 65583

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ's Mission  
22535 Hwy Y  
St. Robert, MO 65584

## Funeral Service

AUG 30. 11:00 AM.

Christ's Mission Church

# Tribute Wall

RR

“ Erica, Doug and the girls have been our great next door neighbors for nearly 20 years. Little did I know when I visited with Erica at the mailbox less than 24hrs later she would leave this earth. You were doing good lady you were coping and taking care of business. Doug would be proud and pleased. I did promise you I would grade the driveway and want you to know I did. Brenda and I will miss you both. Be assured we will be close for Callie and Carli as always. Rest in peace my friend.

Rob Rothbauer - August 30, 2024 at 07:20 PM



“ 101 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - August 29, 2024 at 07:11 PM

LG

“ I met Erica when we were stationed at Ft. Mc Clellan Alabama and then Ft. Leonard-wood Mo.

When I spoke with her, you knew how much she loved Doug, her precious Callie and she loved her country. She was so excited when she found out she was pregnant with Carlie. She loved her Mom and her siblings. Her family and her faith were everything to her. Callie and Carlie, you were everything to her.

We spent hours on the phone talking about our little ones. I am thankful for our friendship, her wisdom, and her kindness to me. We lost touch after I moved away, but did reconnect on Facebook.

Callie and Carlie, all of those that loved Erica, I am so sorry and you are in my prayers

Lea Guiles, Lindsey and Robert Zerfowski.

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**Lea Guiles** - August 25, 2024 at 09:32 PM

LC

“ Linda cole-schonbok sent a virtual gift in memory of Erica Wheeler



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**Linda cole-schonbok** - August 24, 2024 at 09:51 PM

SS

“ 7/14/24 Our Last hug/kiss & U said "oh don't cry I love you, Im coming to visit soon" @Fort Leonard wood airport & we almost missed our flight.

I Always hated saying Goodbye to u from our visits💔 I would always say "I wish u lived closer." I have so many memories but I wish I still had U. RIH FMS

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**Sara Beth Provoe (Her Sister)** - August 24, 2024 at 07:34 PM

DB

*I have known Erica for 47 years. We talked by phone for 3 hours the morning before her passing!! We talked about everything from our past time in Murphysboro working and living together. Then she told me how she met and fell in love with Doug. She talked about her beautiful daughters. Then we talked about her coming to see me or possibly me going to see her. She sounded ok given the grief that she was going through. I can't believe she is in the presence of Jesus. I'm just in shock 💔 May you rest in peace my dear dear friend 💔🙏*

**Deb Barger** - August 26, 2024 at 01:25 PM

LB

“*Aim High Erica!!!!!! Erica and I served together in the Air Force. I repost this picture every year during November. We were at a Combat Dining in. Like our readiness combat formal to us. It was a combat readiness party. We were on the Civil Engineering Prime Beef Team at Eaker AFB, AR.*



**Lori Bolden** - August 24, 2024 at 06:40 PM

JH

“ EJ was a wonderful human. She loved with all her heart. I met my Military Sis during Desert Storm which was 33 years ago at Sheik Isa, Bahrain. As Disaster Preparedness we had alot to do during the war. We all were family and after the war we partied a little in country and then when we got home we stayed in touch. She will be missed. I love you Sis and may you Rest in Peace along wirh your hubby. Blessings. I have added some pics during the war and after the war ended. You can see her smile shine through.



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**Jeri Harwood** - August 24, 2024 at 06:34 PM

MS

“ I remember Erica from church at the Christian Church of Waynesville. She was on the Praise team. A wonderful lady. My condolences to family and may GOD bring you peace and comfort during these trying days. God Bless You.



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**Marge Scott** - August 24, 2024 at 11:18 AM

JT

“ I was blessed to meet Erica at First Christian Church of Waynesville when she was expecting her second daughter Carley. Callie, her first daughter was a lovely young sweetheart. We became friends and shared our lives throughout those many years. My love goes out to those sweet daughters and all her family.



Janis Thompson - August 24, 2024 at 09:04 AM

JH

“ I will miss you forever sweet friend. I'll make the ribbons for your girls and your Bible. Sending you love to heaven.



Jenna Hamilton - August 23, 2024 at 11:51 PM

NA

“ Erica was such sweet lady. I enjoyed knowing her as a colleague and friend at Waynesville High School. She will leave behind a lot of love and fond memories by so many who knew her. May your family find peace. 🙏

Natalie - August 23, 2024 at 11:02 PM

DN

“ My thoughts, love, and prayers are with you girls. -Darla

darla noble - August 23, 2024 at 05:42 PM