



## Armon Gregory Beard

December 24, 1958 - April 1, 2025

Armon Gregory Beard, Retired Chief Master Sergeant, age 66, of Ozark, Arkansas entered into eternal rest, Tuesday, April 1, 2025 in Ozark. He was born December 24, 1958 in Topeka, Kansas to Armon Baxter Beard and Gaylene Ketchum Beard. Greg was a Christian. He served for 36 years in the military. He carried out duties under the 188th National Guard before retiring in 2014. Greg served in Operation Southwest Border, Operation Southern Watch, Operation Decisive Edge, and three combat tours: Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

Greg served his community in establishing the first youth organization in his hometown of Ozark, Arkansas in 1993. The Beard Sports Complex and O.A.Y.O remain active in local and surrounding areas. It includes many sports activities for kids of all ages and focuses on sportsmanship and providing a safe environment to help kids grow.

Greg loved his family faithfully. He was married to his high school sweetheart, Brenda Sturdivant Beard for 47 years. He was the proud father of his two daughters and one son.

Greg is preceded in death by his daughter, Kendra Gail Beard-Bailey; his mother, Gaylene Ketchum Beard; his brother, Kelly Beard; brother-in-law, Allan Sturdivant; and his father, Armon Beard.

Greg leaves behind his beautiful bride of 47 years, Brenda Sturdivant Beard; daughter, Christie Dawn Beard of Ozark; son, Jeff Beard and wife Courtney of Springfield, Missouri; five granddaughters, Ashlyn, Alyson, Emilee, Harper, and Kinsey; two grandsons, Beckham and Luke; one sister, Kitty Beard of Dyer, Arkansas; two brothers, Randy Beard and wife Lisa of Dyer and Terry Beard of Shreveport, Louisiana; one sister-in-law, Mickie Beard of Poteau, Oklahoma; his loving in-laws, Kenneth and Zenith Sturdivant, sister-in-law, Rhonda Dutton and husband Gary, brother-in-law, T.L. Sturdivant and wife Tammie; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Visitation will be 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Monday, April 7, 2025 at Shaffer Funeral Home,

2315 West Commercial Street in Ozark.

Funeral service will be 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at Shaffer Funeral Home Chapel in Ozark, with Brother Tom Smith and General Mark H. Berry officiating, with burial at Hickory Grove Cemetery, Highway 219 North to Mountain Top in Ozark, Arkansas.

Serving as pallbearers will be John P. Warren, Kevin Crumpacker, Davey Joe Kinney, David Tencleve, Steve Reano, Jeff Cady, and Jim Garvey.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations may be made to Kendra's Voice at Bank OZK. This donation will be donated in memory of Greg Beard, to the Rockefeller Center for Ovarian Cancer Research at UAMS.

To leave an online memorial visit [www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com](http://www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Hickory Grove Cemetery

Hwy 219North to Mountain Top Road  
Ozark, AR 72949

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home  
2315 West Commercial Street  
PO Box 680  
Ozark, AR 72949  
(479) 667-4147  
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Funeral Service

APR 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

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## Burial

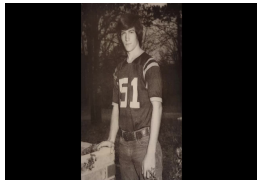
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# Tribute Wall

QU

“ 1 file added to the album Slideshow



quint - May 19, 2025 at 12:53 PM

RG

“ Our prayers



Richard Grandstaff - April 09, 2025 at 11:09 AM

GC

*I will miss you and love you forever. Aunt Clara. You will always be in my heart. You were the best and anyone could ever hope for. My heart and prayers go out to my family.*

Glada St. Clair - April 19, 2025 at 09:48 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.  
-442d Civil Engineer Squadron

442 CES - April 06, 2025 at 06:57 PM



“ A grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Armon Gregory Beard.

April 06, 2025 at 06:52 PM

ME

“ You will be missed and I will always remember bring you a cup of coffee every time you came to visit your Uncle.

Mercedies - April 05, 2025 at 10:53 AM

MB

“ *Myra Bridges lit a candle in memory of Armon Beard*



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**Myra Bridges** - April 05, 2025 at 09:20 AM

MB

“ *Greg will be missed by all of us that went to Greenwood High School! He was a great friend to all of us! Our class is very close to each other and Greg was such a good friend to all of us! We will miss you until we get to see you in Heaven where our class will once again be together*❤️



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**Myra Bridges** - April 05, 2025 at 09:08 AM