



Charles "Jack" Reeves

January 5, 1930 - August 27, 2012

Funeral services for Col. Charles Willard "Jack" Reeves, Jr. will be 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 29, 2012 at the First Baptist Church of Carthage. Burial with full military honors will follow in the Odd Fellows Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Tuesday evening at Hawthorn Funeral Home. Mr. Reeves died August 27, 2012 in Carthage, Texas.

Col. Charles Willard "Jack" Reeves, Jr. was born January 5, 1930 in Marshall, Texas. He was one of two sons born to the marriage of C. W. and Sadie Anderson Reeves. Jack graduated Carthage High School with the class of 1948 later attending Panola College. In 1952 Jack enlisted in the military serving two years and then was accepted in the aviation Cadet Program and began flying school at Bainbridge AFB in Georgia. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant at Bryan AFB, Texas on August 17, 1953. That day he was awarded his wings becoming a pilot in the USAF and most importantly he married the love of his life, Patsy Jean Adams. Jack reported to Da Nang AB in Vietnam and while serving in Southeast Asia he served as Flight Commander and Instructor Pilot, also flying 218 combat missions during his 28 year Air Force career. During his career Col. Reeves was awarded the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross (First Leaf Cluster), the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (Basic through Tenth Oak Leaf Cluster), Air Force Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster), Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Combat Readiness medal, Good Conduct

Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, RVN Gallantry Cross with Palm, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. Jack retired from the Air Force in 1980 returning to Carthage. He worked many years as a corporate pilot for R. Lacy and continued to fly over the next 15 years.

Jack was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Carthage in the Berean Sunday School Class, a devoted Rotarian in the Carthage Club, voted Alumnus of the Year for both Carthage High School and Panola College.

Mr. Reeves is survived by his loving wife, Pat Reeves of Carthage; sons, Scott Reeves and wife Kelly of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Randy Reeves of Bedford; daughter, Jackie Carpenter of Carthage; brother, Mike Reeves of Conroe; grandchildren, Stacey Larkin and husband Nelson of Arlington, Kristen Carpenter of Arlington, Ben Reeves of Arlington, Meredith Reeves of Hot Springs, Arkansas and Emily Reeves of Hot Springs, Arkansas; numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be his fellow Rotarians and the members of the Berean Sunday School Class.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Carthage
256 S Market St.
Carthage, TX

Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Charles "Jack" Reeves



Hawthorn Funeral Home - August 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ we love you....
the german pilots###imported-begin##Jack&Jens
Weinknecht###imported-end##

January 11, 2013 at 06:04 PM



“ Rest in peace, Jack, and thank you for your many years of service to our country. You will be missed by many. It was a privilege to know you when we lived in east Texas in the late 90's.

Pat, you and your family will continue to be in our prayers.###imported-begin##Bob & Alice Stanley###imported-end##

September 17, 2012 at 01:17 PM



“ I'm so so sorry for your loss. He was one of the finest men I've ever know. I was unable to come due to an illness, but you're in my prayers.###imported-begin##Ronnie Mutina###imported-end##

September 11, 2012 at 06:13 PM



“ *Scott and family,*

Our prayers are with you.

Cole & Sandy Morgan

*Hot Springs, AR##imported-begin##Cole & Sandy
Morgan##imported-end##*

August 31, 2012 at 11:05 AM



“ *Mrs Reeves and family,*

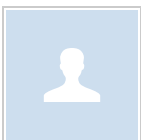
I was saddened to hear about the passing of Colonel Reeves. I was privileged to have visited with him at Rotary when I visited during the summer. My dad, Eli Davis, was a good friend of his and I know that he will be missed by many in Carthage. May God give you comfort and peace.##imported-begin##Randy Davis##imported-end##

August 30, 2012 at 09:46 PM



“ *I've only known Jack for the past five years and I must say it was a true honor. What a gentleman he always was. The Reeves family will be in my prayers. God bless.##imported-begin##Noel Crosswhite##imported-end##*

August 29, 2012 at 09:34 PM



“ *I just found out about Jack. He was a good friend. I will miss him.##imported-begin##Dennis Golden##imported-end##*

August 29, 2012 at 09:07 PM



“ Pat: It was a wonderful service at the church. The speakers did justice to a man I came to know and love and respect. The void never goes away but with God and time, it gets easier. Cry when you want and laugh when you can and know that some day you will see Jack again I speak from 8 years of experience. Our God is faithful. God bless you. Bob###imported-begin###Bob Scheinblum###imported-end##

August 29, 2012 at 05:53 PM



“ Sorry, I could not attend in person.
My sympathy and best wishes to Patsy and all their family.###imported-begin###Jean (Whitaker) Elson###imported-end##

August 29, 2012 at 05:41 PM



“ Sure wish I could attend your funeral but I have to work this afternoon. I will miss you and will see you one of these days. GOD bless you,
Jesse Ross
VietNam 65-66###imported-begin###Jesse Ross###imported-end##

August 29, 2012 at 12:30 PM



“ Dear Pat and family,
Please know that we are thinking of you and have you in our prayers.
May God give you comfort and strength in the days to come.
With much love,
The Jerry Don Dorman Family
Jerry, Pat, Jeremy
Lance and Lara Kate
Proverbs 17:17##imported-begin##Jerry and Pat Dorman
##imported-end##

August 29, 2012 at 09:48 AM



“ Dear Sweet Reeves Family,
Know you are in our thoughts and prayers. May you find peace and comfort as God holds you close during this time. We love you.##imported-begin##Mary & George Bush##imported-end##

August 29, 2012 at 08:37 AM



“ Dear Pat: I am so sorry and saddened to learn of Jack's passing. I am just thankful I got to spend time with him at the last Lacy fish fry. I have great respect and love for Jack. He was a man's man, a real gentleman and a proud, outstanding Air Force pilot. He would have made a really fine
US Marine. I will miss him and his military aviation stories. May God bless you with His strength and peace.##imported-begin##Col. Bob Scheinblum, USMC Retired##imported-end##

August 29, 2012 at 12:05 AM



“ Our thoughts are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Jerry and Shelley Caraway##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 11:21 PM



“ We are praying for your family, that God will fill the void and give you peace and joy.

Tommy & Charlene Smith

Ps. 139:17-18##imported-begin##Tommy & Charlene Smith##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 05:02 PM



“ Pat

We loved talking to Jack about the plane he designed and built "Chigger," and his experience flying the F-4 Phantom in the military. Hours of hangar flying and his friendship will be missed by lots of pilots. He was very special.

Jerry and Carolyn Hail.##imported-begin##Jerry and Carolyn Hail##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 04:54 PM



“ Pat , Jackie and family
I am so sorry to here about your loss.Mr.
Jack was one of the great ones.Not only as a man but also as a
serviceman.Every time
I saw him I was reminded of my father.Jack
reminded me so much of him in not only looks but both were in Air
Force.May God bless you during this time and help relieve your
sorrow.##imported-begin##Mike Cross##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 04:31 PM



“ Scott, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your father, may God comfort
you and your family.##imported-begin##Ray DeLee##imported-
end##

August 28, 2012 at 03:11 PM



“ Dear Sweet Pat and my friend, Jackie

I am so sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and family during your
time of grief. My heart goes out to all and I certainly understand your
pain and loss.##imported-begin##Debby Skinner Hanka##imported-
end##

August 28, 2012 at 03:10 PM



“ I have known Col. Reeves most of my life, and have always enjoyed his company. He has been a great role model for many people, including myself, and he will be greatly missed. I am deeply sorry for your loss, Mrs. Pat. You and your family are in my Prayers. God Bless###imported-begin##SSgt Gregory Fortenberry, USAF, and Family###imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 02:39 PM



“ Pat, I'll really miss Jack..a whole lot. I have so many fun memories being with Him like the time He checked me out in the 414 (You know He had connections with my boss at the time) and when He let me fly as His co-pilot on the G-I. I had no idea how that airplane even worked yet He was so patient with me. He always made You feel special. Shannon and I love You very much and are so thankful for knowing both of You.###imported-begin##Troy W. Parlin, Capt. Southwest Airlines###imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 11:58 AM



“ We only knew Jack for about six years, and it wasn't long enough. He enhanced all of our lives, and will be sorely missed. This community won't be the same without him. Clear skies and favorable winds, Jack. May God be with you, my friend. I hope we meet again.###imported-begin##Steve & Kathy Conroy###imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 11:46 AM



“ *Mr. Reeves was truly a great man and he will be missed very much. I have lived next door to him for most of my life. I have many fond memories of him and his family. I will miss seeing him and his smile all the time.##imported-begin##Leigh (Norsworthy)
Welk##imported-end##*

August 28, 2012 at 11:14 AM



“ *Pat and family,*

We were saddened to learn of your loss.

Jack was a gentlemen's gentlemen. He was someone we looked up to while I was a member in Rotary Club, and now as a pilot.

He served his country with admiration and pride.

He will be missed, but never forgotten.

Your in our thoughts and prayers.

Cliff & Denise Todd##imported-begin##Cliff Todd##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 07:50 AM



“ *Patsy,*

I am so sad to hear of your loss. Jack was such a gentleman and always had a smile on his face. He will be missed. God bless you and your family during this difficult time.

Debbie Pierce##imported-begin##Debbie Pierce##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 01:55 AM



“ Pat, Our deepest sympathy to you and your family at this time. It's tough going through the changes, as life changes our loved ones and then their passing. May your journey going forward be filled with the comforting arms of our Lord. No more pain but Jack will have some competition with Helen Joy, Wooba and Aunt Lucille. They will all be bantering each other. We love you so much. Tracy Churchman-Milam, Jeff, Tyler and Addie###imported-begin##Tracy Churchman-Milam###imported-end##

August 27, 2012 at 10:09 PM



“ Mrs. Pat, Mr. Jack was always so good to me. He was kind enough to take my son, Darrik, on his first plane ride over a lot of Panola Co. Uncle Charles Ray and Aunt J'Nell Courtney Nutt thought so much of you two. God Bless.###imported-begin##Sharon Nutt Hooper###imported-end##

August 27, 2012 at 08:28 PM



“ Pat,
I am so saddened to hear of Jack's passing. I always picked on him at church and he would just smile at me. I am going to miss him and I know you and your family will, too. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Love you,
Richard and Terri Reed###imported-begin##Terri Reed###imported-end##

August 27, 2012 at 12:23 PM