



Mont Crum

May 5, 1960 - August 22, 2023

Mont Crum, 63, of Century, Florida, passed away at Sacred Heart Hospital on August 22, 2023. He was born to Thomas and Ellen Crum on May 5, 1960 at Holden, West Virginia. Preceded in death by father, sister Karen Crum, nephews Lance Farley and Tylor Crum.

Those left behind to cherish his memory include his beloved wife of 40 years, Teresa Starr Crum; daughter, Jennifer Whetsell; brother, Robert Crum; sisters, Sheila and Ron Adkins, Melanie Crum, April and Wes Hatfield and Karen Crum; granddaughters, Breonna and Trent Whetsell, Kalyn and Robbie Arnold, Hannah Whetsell; great-grandchildren, Teagan and Beckhem Clarke, Myra and Adan Estrada, and Leah Arnold; nieces and nephews, Lance Farley, Bobbie Jo Crum, Cody Crum, Josh Adkins, Erica Whitt, Billy Ryan Gartin, Lindsey Gartin, Jarrett Crum, Taylor Hatfield, Jade and Tylor Crum; mother-in-law Sarah and Robert Schultz; brothers-in-law, James and Marjorie Starr and Millard and Beverley Starr; sisters-in-law, Mildred and Lee Van Dyke and Carol Starr; nieces and nephews, Christie Cichon, Bud Hatfield, Sarah-Ann Rueda, James Starr, Michelle Deal, Jenny Cooper, Christian Starr, Alex Starr, Robert Van Dyke, and Terry Van Dyke.

Mont started his Christian journey in 1970 at the Delbarton Church of God under the tutelage of Rev. W. H. Compton. He was a faithful member of his church and served as a Sunday school teacher and bus driver. The nieces and nephews were filled with excitement as they looked forward to the cherished Christmas Eve tradition: Mont narrating the Nativity of Jesus Christ,

the story about that baby in the barn (as they would say), on Christmas Eve. Mont was a talented and hardworking individual who pursued careers in both coal mining and the military. Leaving the day of his high school graduation, Mont's military career started in 1978. He served his country in the United States Army as a Military Police, Power Generation Equipment Repairer, and provided personal security and safety escort for a Commanding General during travel to the forward operating bases throughout the Persian Gulf War. Military Awards include but not limited to: National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service with two Bronze Stars, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Army Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster. Mont was a decorated soldier who served his country with distinction. His awards and decorations are a testament to his dedication and commitment to duty. Retirement opened the door for Mont and Teresa to begin a new life chapter in Florida. They treasured their time together traveling, with their daughter, granddaughters, and great-grandchildren. Mont's memory will be a source of inspiration, for his role as a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather left an enduring impact on the lives he touched.

Funeral services will be held at Chafin Funeral Home in Delbarton on Tuesday, August 29, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The rendering of Military Funeral Honors presentation will be held at 12. Burial will follow at the Sparks Cemetery in Yellow Creek, Kentucky. Robert Crum, April Hatfield, Ron Adkins, Wes Hatfield, Billy Ryan Gartin, Josh Adkins, Jarrett Crum and Cody Crum will serve as pallbearers.

Cemetery Details

Sparks Cemetery

Yellow Creek, KY

Previous Events

Service

AUG 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Chafin Funeral Home
215 Riverside Drive
Delbarton, WV 25670
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Tribute Wall

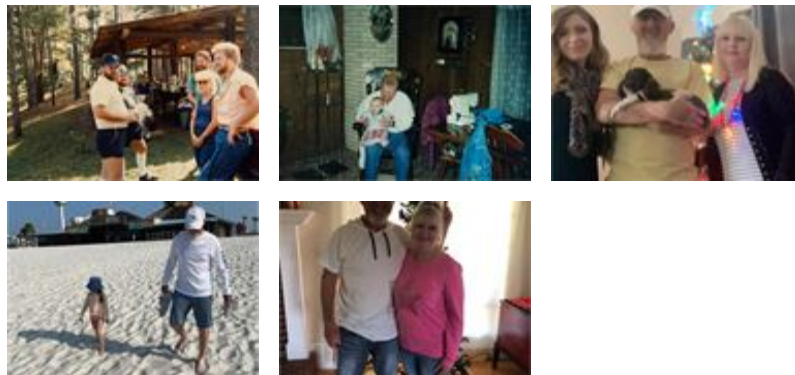
HC

“ Being stationed at Ft. Ritchie Maryland, one day this kid with blond hair and blue eyes walked into my barracks room and a friendship developed. I was I'm-pressed and in awe on how EVERY night he would be kneeling at his bedside praying and lifting his arms to the sky. It got to be something I got to expect and then it became empty once his wife and baby came he moved out as his family now had gotten an apartment but we were still great friends. Mont used to call me "Poodle Face" which brought the MP Co. into loud laughter. I had a beard which I kept very neatly shaven. Mont with his friendly and soft spoken demeanor, you just had to like him but the BIGGEST thing I saw in him is that MONT CRUM was a TRUE MAN OF GOD!! He loved the Lord with all his heart and it always showed. It was really something listening to his testimonies go God's goodness. Rest on Soldier !! You are now at rest and peace and may God's peace strengthen, comfort and keep your family during this time is my prayer. All of us you have left will not say good by but WE ALL will say "SEE YA LATER !"

Harold (BROOKS) Cartwright - August 29, 2023 at 10:18 AM



“ 97 files added to the album LifeTributes



Chafin Funeral Home - August 29, 2023 at 09:03 AM

BS

“*Mont,
We were inseparable at Fort Ritchie.
"Salt & Pepper" is what they called us.
You were my Brother and will always be.
I'm gonna miss you deeply in the physical, but you will live forever in
my Heart.*

*Love You Brother,
Bryan W. Tate Sr.
(AKA "DC")*

B.W.Tate Sr - August 28, 2023 at 09:55 PM

TS

*Mont Crum,
Is a unforgettable friend.
I had the privilege of meeting him while being stationed with him at the
572nd Military Police Fort Ritchie, MD.
I just happened to be searching for him and DC- Brian Tate today as
both were on my mind. We had great fun and laughter together. I know
it had to be a God sent to meet and know him as we had great laughter
as Brain would show us his experiexperiences of shadow boxing,
hahaha. Sometimes talking about the goodness of knowing our Lord &
Saviour Jesus Christ in a personal way.*

*I remember when he and his wife got off post housing in Hagerstown
along with Brian & his wife. I had planned to joined then for my wife
and I but found a off post house in Fairfield, PA.*

*To God Be The Glory for having a great friend as Mont Crum.
We have got a lot of catching up to do, good Lord willing in Glory.
Nevertheless it will be good to see you again, and forever, thanks to
Calvary.*

*Your Friend & Brother In Christ,
Timothy D.Smith,
known by nick name in Army as "Bufford " as in Bufford T. Justice
because of my Georgia southern speech.
I'll meet up by the river my friend.
Hebrews 12:2 KJV*

Timothy D. Smith - January 15 at 10:52 PM

MA

“ Millard, Beverly, Christian & Alexander purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mont Crum.



Millard, Beverly, Christian & Alexander - August 28, 2023 at 01:08 PM

HC

“ Harold (BROOKS) Cartwright planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mont Crum.

Harold (BROOKS) Cartwright - August 28, 2023 at 12:32 PM

HC

“ Harold (BROOKS) Cartwright purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Mont Crum.



Harold (BROOKS) Cartwright - August 28, 2023 at 12:32 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mont Crum.



August 28, 2023 at 11:26 AM

SD

“ Sissy (Mildred) Starr and Lee Van Dyke planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mont Crum.

Sissy (Mildred) Starr and Lee Van Dyke - August 28, 2023 at 04:39 AM

SD

“ Sissy (Mildred) Starr and Lee Van Dyke purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mont Crum.



Sissy (Mildred) Starr and Lee Van Dyke - August 28, 2023 at 04:39 AM

Angie Hannah

“ Angie Hannah lit a candle in memory of Mont Crum



Angie Hannah - August 27, 2023 at 09:01 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mont Crum.



August 27, 2023 at 02:37 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mont Crum.*



August 27, 2023 at 01:53 PM



“ *mont was the best brother n law and friend a person could ever have. we shared many laughs and some heart breaks over the last 40 some years. he truly loved with all his heart and it was evident to all that love him and the love him and my sister shared for each other. one of the times I will never forget is him taking me and teresa to New Orleans last year! he honest would do anything to make us feel happy and safe! We truly will miss him and keep him and his memories alive and we will meet up with him again! love you my brother 😊*

carol starr - August 27, 2023 at 09:48 AM