



Vincent H. Wolters

November 18, 1923 - July 9, 2023

Vincent H. Wolters of Monterey Tennessee surrounded by family, passed away peacefully at Cookeville Regional Medical Center on July 9, 2023.

“Vincent” was a decorated World War II veteran, who was born in Jersey City, New Jersey on November 18, 1923. During the war, he served as a combat infantryman in the 90th -Texas Oklahoma division, (known as the “Tough Ombres”) in the European theater and fought in all campaigns including the Normandy invasion; Northern France; Ardennes-Alsace (the Battle of the Bulge); Rhineland; and Central Europe.

In one of its actions, his division was ordered to attack and clear the Foret de Mont-Castre, where the Division suffered 5,000 killed, wounded, or captured, one of the highest casualty rates suffered in WW II. In addition, Mr. Wolters and his comrades fought in countless other actions including the closing of the Falaise Gap; the Siege of Metz; and numerous firefights with elite SS units.

During his service, Mr. Wolters experienced the many horrors of war - artillery barrages; horrific tree bursts; and freezing weather in the Ardennes (Battle of the Bulge) wearing only summer gear. In addition to the fighting, the “Tough Ombres” liberated the Flossenburg concentration camp just before the war’s end, where a memorial at the former camp honors the 90th as its liberators.

He was awarded the Bronze Star for his gallantry and was one of the last members of America’s greatest generation who served to remind us of the price of freedom and the many who gave the last full measure to preserve it.

After the war, Vincent, worked as a Stationary Engineer and earned his prized

private pilot's license. Mr. Wolters is survived by his wife Joan, of 49 years, five grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. Vincent was the cherished "Uncle Vinnie" to his nephew Jesse P. Williamson and niece April Borda (Williamson) and her husband Albert. He was preceded in death by his son, William V. Wolters, and daughter Arlene Caruso (Wolters).

Arrangements and Care provided by D.M. Goff Funeral Home, Inc., 205 East Cleveland Avenue, Monterey, Tennessee 38574, Phone, 931.839.2311.

Tribute Wall



“ *Vincent H. Wolters*

October 08, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Joan, so very sorry to hear of Vincent's passing. I have greatly missed seeing and talking with you both! Sending prayers! Michelle Denny*

Michelle Denny Holladay - August 05, 2023 at 12:57 AM



“ *Wanda Selby sent a virtual gift in memory of Vincent H. Wolters*



Wanda Selby - July 17, 2023 at 11:13 PM



“ *Our Great Uncle Buddy often visited his brother Richard when my siblings and I were young to share a story with us about his time in the service and to gift us foreign money. We always looked forward to his visits. Now that I'm older, I realize the significance of his time at war and appreciate his actions in liberating the less fortunate over seas as well as ensuring that my siblings and I could live free and safer lives. Rest In Peace Uncle Buddy.*

Aimee Wolters - July 15, 2023 at 03:51 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Vincent H. Wolters.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Vincent H. Wolters.

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“ Uncle "Buddy" took me flying when I was a boy. It stuck. I spent the next 60 odd years flying, fixing, or building aircraft of all types to include 7 years flying for the US Navy. And yes, he was a " Tough Ombre," he took me hunting as a youngster. I complained of the cold. Uncle Buddy looked at me and said "Boy. you don't know cold." I didn't know what he meant at the time. I came to understand later. See you on the other side. Tom Wolters

Tom Wolters - July 15, 2023 at 09:56 AM

GB

“ You were Uncle Buddy to me. I regret our families lost touch, and I'm in awe of your service to our country. My mom, your sister Delores, gave me your book. Thank you.
My sincere condolences to the family.

Glenna Boaman - July 15, 2023 at 09:44 AM

RP

“ Thank you sincerely for your service, Sir! 🇺🇸



Ronnie Pierce - July 14, 2023 at 02:05 PM

TM

“ Though I have never met you Sir, thank you for your service, prayers for family and friends



Tammy Moody - July 12, 2023 at 02:35 PM