



## Douglas Ross Sharp

July 20, 1953 - March 9, 2025

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Douglas Ross Sharp, 71, of Tontitown, who passed away on March 9, 2025. He was a proud veteran of the U.S. Air Force, having honorably served from 1971 to 1975.

Born on July 20, 1953, in Huntsville, Doug dedicated his life to serving others through a diverse career in healthcare administration. He had a passion for working with physicians and nurses and reaching communities with medical services throughout Northwest Arkansas. He prized continuous education and returned to school mid-career to earn a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management from John Brown University in 1997. Doug had a welcoming, friendly smile for everyone he met and was a loving father to his children and their extended families and friends. He most enjoyed sharing time with loved ones, trout fishing along the Little Red River and golfing with a close circle of friends, pontooning around Beaver Lake, and competing with relatives for best barbecue ribs.

Douglas Ross Sharp is survived by his wife of 30 years, Bonita Lou Sharp, also of Tontitown; sister, Mary Kay Thompson, of Springdale; son and daughter-in-law, Scott Douglas Sharp and Donna Jean Dodge, of Fayetteville; daughter, Erin Leigh Sharp, of Huntsville; daughter, Leah Anne Garrett, of Fayetteville; and son, Jason Bailey Reed, of New Orleans LA.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ross Counts Sharp and Ida Alene Boyd; sister, Carol Ann Hawley; and daughter, Heather Lynn Garrett.

A service to honor his life and legacy will be held at Sisco Funeral Chapel on Friday, March 14, 2025, at 10:00 am. A military honors ceremony will follow at the Fayetteville National Cemetery at 12:30 pm.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made by check to the VA Center for Development and Civic Engagement, Attention Jennifer Kruse, 1100 N. College Ave, Fayetteville, AR 72703, with a notation in the check memo "Heroes' Haven," or to the Lester C Howick Animal Shelter at [www.washingtoncountyar.gov/government/departments-a-e/animal-shelter](http://www.washingtoncountyar.gov/government/departments-a-e/animal-shelter).

Online condolences may be left at [www.siscofuneral.com](http://www.siscofuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Fayetteville National Cemetery

700 Government Ave.  
Fayetteville, AR  
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/fayetteville.asp>

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel  
705 W Meadow Ave  
Springdale, AR 72764

## Interment

MAR 14. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Fayetteville National Cemetery  
700 Government Ave.  
Fayetteville, AR  
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/fayetteville.asp>

# Tribute Wall

BW

“ We are so sorry to hear that Doug has passed away.  
Prayers and condolences to his family and friends

God Bless  
Tom and Billie Whorton

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**Billie Whorton** - March 19, 2025 at 09:20 PM

SG

“ My condolences to Doug's family. I worked with Doug for many of his years at Mercy Clinic here in NWA. He was solid and steady, a man to be trusted and one you could count on. Easy to smile and laugh he was great to work with and, as a family, I know you are proud of his legacy. God bless.

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**Steve Goss** - March 16, 2025 at 07:21 PM

PP

“ Sending my condolences to all of Doug's family, Lou, Scott, Erin, Leah and Jason. Doug and Lou were the best bosses, (Communities Home Health and Hospice, Circle of Life Hospice and Duracare Medical Supply) and also great friends. Unfortunately life got in the way and lost touch the past several years. Thoughts and prayers. Love you all.



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**Patty Craig Pinalto** - March 14, 2025 at 08:20 PM

SF

“ Doug Sharp hired me in 2003. He always seen things in other and encouraged them to grow. He treated me like family. I remember having a flat tire on my way back to work. He dropped everything to come change my tire. I will forever be grateful. May he rest in peace. □

Sapphira Frasier - March 14, 2025 at 05:50 PM

Emma  
Kay

“ Uncle Doug was always so kind and supportive of me and also our family. He loved our kids and always gave me encouragement and a welcoming smile. He will be missed and we are thinking of everyone in Arkansas today❤️

Emma Kay - March 14, 2025 at 08:44 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas Ross Sharp.



March 13, 2025 at 06:18 PM

AM

“*Doug was the reason I went to nursing school. He saw something in me that I did not see in myself. I started my medical career working the front desk at a pediatric clinic and had the honor and pleasure of working under Doug's leadership. I was a single mom in my early 20's trying to make ends meet when he encouraged me to learn more in the medical field. I began training how to set up patients, aid in procedures; draw blood and run labs. Pretty soon with his encouragement I was ready for the next step Nursing School. I got my LPN nursing license as a single parent, and he was right I was capable. I am currently working here at the same Mercy Pediatric clinic as a nurse. Thank you, Doug, for not letting me sell myself short. Thank you for your constant smile and sense of humor. Thank you for always being a respectful leader and always doing what was right for our patients and for us. Im so grateful for the years I had working alongside you. I want to give my deepest condolences to your family and friends. RIP my friend and mentor...*

*Amy McDowell, LPN*

**Amy McDowell** - March 13, 2025 at 04:36 PM

DM



**Dianna Matthews** - March 13, 2025 at 06:24 PM

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“*Love, Connie Jones and Linda Stachler purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Douglas Ross Sharp.*



**Love, Connie Jones and Linda Stachler** - March 12, 2025 at 05:15 PM

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“ Love, Connie Jones and Linda Stachler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Ross Sharp.

Love, Connie Jones and Linda Stachler - March 12, 2025 at 05:15 PM

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“ Robert,Debbie,Dianna,Joe,David & Rachel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Douglas Ross Sharp.

Robert,Debbie,Dianna,Joe,David & Rachel - March 12, 2025 at 03:18 PM

RR

“ Robert,Debbie,Dianna,Joe,David & Rachel purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Douglas Ross Sharp.



Robert,Debbie,Dianna,Joe,David & Rachel - March 12, 2025 at 03:18 PM