



Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr

June 26, 1942 - July 2, 2021

Flag

Piatt, Darwin W. age 79 of Bellevue, NE

Survived by wife Francisca "Fay"; daughter Jennifer Piatt of Arlington, VA; sons Zachary of Omaha, Michael (Jessica) of Helena, MT, Randy (Mary Ellen) of Columbus, OH, Sean of Omaha, and Cesar of Fairfield, CA; seven grandchildren; sisters Jeanie Hodges of Loveland, CO, and Edith Costa of Columbus, OH; Funeral Thursday 10:30 AM at the funeral home; Interment with military honors Thursday 1 PM at Omaha National Cemetery; In lieu of flowers, donations in his honor to: <https://www.arrl.org/arrl-donation-form>
Condolences to www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com

Reichmuth Funeral Home

21901 W. Maple Rd. 402-289-2222

Cemetery Details

Omaha National Cemetery

14250 Schram Road
Omaha, NE 68138

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 8. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Military Honors

JUL 8. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr



Reichmuth Funeral Home - July 08, 2021 at 10:46 AM



“ Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ My brief time with Dar was at his last AF assignment and my first assignment at RAF Mildenhall. He was the boss, a senior NCO who mentored and schooled the young airmen in his office. He was an instructor at the technical school I'd just attended prior to Mildenhall. My next assignment was a four year tour of duty at that same school, following part of his path through life. The choice I made was the right choice and I thank him for the example he displayed. I never forgot about Dar during my time in the USAF. I contacted him prior to attending an analysis conference at Offutt AFB the late 90s to visit with him and break bread with his wife and him. I was a senior NCO, just like he was when we last cross path, I was part of his legacy, a proud airman serving our beloved nation like he did...God Bless you, MSgt π@....!

Joe Schieda - July 03, 2022 at 07:07 AM

SD

“ Darwin taught at Gateway Electronics in Lincoln NE which is how I came to know him and considered him a great friend.

He taught me a lot about electronics, computers, and even life in general.

He will be deeply missed. R.I.P my good friend.

Scott Dahnke

Scott Dahnke - October 20, 2021 at 04:41 PM

EE

“ Very touching eulogy by Dar's son. My deepest condolences to Dar's family. He will be missed by the Amateur Radio community. I noticed half the cars at the service had ham radio license plates.

The story in the eulogy about Dar's 3 year son playing with Dar's ham radio reminded me of this photo of my son at 3 years old son, Jason, playing with my ham radio station. Had to share it after hearing his son's story.

73, de ed -K0iL



Eddie Edwards - July 08, 2021 at 02:28 PM

FF

“ from larry and the Bailey family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr.



from larry and the Bailey family - July 07, 2021 at 03:53 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr.



July 06, 2021 at 09:00 PM

SP

“ The first time I walked in the door at an HBQRP meeting my first words as everyone looked up were, "Hey guys, I'm a stranger." I'd meant to keep speaking but my stutter kicked in, and Dar spoke up first: "Not for long!"
His kindness and terrible puns helped me fit in to a new group, something I hadn't done in twenty years.

Sean Pepin - July 06, 2021 at 05:19 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr.



July 06, 2021 at 11:34 AM

JE

“ *He was my big brother, he loved ham radio, model airplane flying but most of all Fay. He had a funny sense of humor and loved telling stories from his military days. Loved always*

Jeanie - July 05, 2021 at 09:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr.*



July 05, 2021 at 08:59 PM

LB

“ W9hzc

In memory of Darwin Piat.

I met Dar just after arriving in England in 1979. We were both staying at a bed sit accommodation in New Market, England. Dar was operating his ham radio , and hearing the sound of morse code coming down the hall way perked up my ears. Dar had an English radio license and so did I . His call was g5cnp and my call was g5brb. Instant friendship.

I remember being the lead car with Dar with his family in their car following to lots of rallies, the English called ham fest, where numerous ham radio operators gathered on a Saturday . Over the years we were in England we attended many gatherings. Numerous times as lead car we took the scenic rout by taking the wrong exits at double roundabouts.

A mixture of British and American hams operated on the 10M ham band with converted cb radios. We had a conversion line going. Dar was always gathering hams to join us. We called the group CH19'ers (29.6MHz)

I returned to Omaha in 1984 and dar returned a short time later. We continued chatting on the “TOY RADIOS” as one of the wives called them.

Dar always had a good story or a “groaner” pun. Always the optimist and always ready to try something different. Always a good guy to have chat with.

He will be missed, prayers for silent key w9hzc.

RIP from Larry Bailey and family..

Larry Bailey - July 05, 2021 at 07:21 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Darwin Wendell Piatt Jr.



July 05, 2021 at 07:25 AM