



## Curtis (Curt) (Skip) Skipper

October 24, 1964 - August 30, 2021

Curtis Skipper, (Curt) (Skip) 56, of Roswell, NM, went to be with our God on Monday, August 30, 2021, in Roswell. At 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, funeral services will be held at Anderson Bethany Funeral Home, Pastor Brett Shangraw of Church on the Move officiating. Interment will follow at General Douglas L. McBride Veteran Cemetery with an honorable see you later!

Curtis was born in San Pablo, California, to Andrew D. Skipper and Marilyn S. Skipper on October 24, 1964. The family moved to Roswell, NM, in 1972. He attended Roswell High School. While in school, Curtis belonged to the Roswell youth Striders cross country team. He always talked about his running days and how he beat everyone who ran up against him. To hear him talk, Curtis should have gone to the Olympics. He graduated in 1984. After high school, Curtis went on to the Indian School of Arts in Santa Fe, NM, he had an amazing artistic talent. Anyone who knew him knew that when he got out a canvas with paint and brushes, no matter what the mess looked like in the beginning, it always turned out to be the most beautiful piece of art. That was a great passion of his. After college, Curtis decided to go to the United States Navy in 1986, serving a 6-year term. While in the Navy, he served as a deck fireman. He always talked about wanting to go back to all the places around the world that he got to see. Curtis received a First Sea Service Deployment Ribbon while working on the USS Capodanno. On December 12,

1992, he was Honorably discharged from active duty and transferred to the Naval Reserve.

Curtis was a man of many talents and worked in several different occupations. He worked for the Chaves County maintenance department for the past six years. Curtis was a Church on The Move member, where he served in many different ministries, but his favorite was Kids on the Move. Curtis loved all the little kids, but his most gratifying experience was watching them praise and worship our lord. There is where he met his soul mate, Nickie Skipper. They were married on March 8, 2019, in Lubbock, TX. Although they were not married for very long, they made many memories and were genuinely put in each other's paths for many special reasons that will be treasured forever.

Curtis is preceded in death by his father, Andrew D. Skipper; and his grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. WC Skipper Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Tirey.

Those left to cherish and treasure Curtis' memory are his loving wife, Nickie Skipper and her daughters: Kailynn and Kendal Sanders; mom, Marilyn Skipper; brother, Tim Skipper; sisters: Dorene Higuera, Jill, Andrea, and Kathy Skipper; as well as his nieces and nephews: Lory, Rob, Rachel, Juston, Kyle, Zack, Brandy, Erik, Steven, Joey, Jazmine, and Gino.

Curtis was not a stranger to anyone that he met. If you were friends with him, then you have a lifelong friend. Curtis had a big heart and had a special place in it for everyone that crossed his path.

Skip you will be dearly missed, but it should give all of us here today a little bit of peace knowing that we will see him again when he greets us with that cheesy smile at the golden gates of heaven.

Please take a moment and share a fond memory or kind expression of sympathy for Curtis' family at [www.andersonbethany.com](http://www.andersonbethany.com).

Curtis' tribute was beautifully written in his honor by his beloved wife, Nickie Skipper.

# Cemetery Details

## General Douglas L. McBride Veterans Cemetery

Between S Main St and SE Main St (US 285)  
on E Jaffe St, in Roswell, at the north end of  
South Park  
Roswell, NM 88203

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

SEP 7. 10:00 AM (MT)

Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory  
2609 South Main  
Roswell, NM 88203  
(575) 622-5888  
[abfh@andersonbethany.com](mailto:abfh@andersonbethany.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Curtis (Curt) (Skip) Skipper*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *I am sorry to hear of Curtis' passing. We went to high school together and I remember his smile. While we never sailed together I appreciate his service to this country. Fair winds and following seas shipmate.*

*Hector Martinez*

**Hector Martinez** - September 07, 2021 at 01:53 AM



“ *To Nikki and all the Skipper family, You have my sincerest condolences and deepest sympathies. I want to remind everyone of the hope that we have of seeing Curtis again, because of his choice to make Jesus Christ the Lord and Savior of his life. Curtis was a good friend of mine and we grew close over the last 5 to 7 years and he will definitely be missed, that laugh, that smile And that joking attitude lol love you Skip!!!! Pastor Brett and COTM/KOTM FAMILY...*

**Pastor Brett Shangraw** - September 05, 2021 at 08:43 PM



*Amen*

**Jeri Hadley** - September 06, 2021 at 08:46 AM

LP

“ *It was a pleasure to have known and worked with Curtis in the C.C.F.M Department. May he Rest In Peace. Nikki may the Lord comfort and give you strength and peace that surpasses all understanding*

Lucy & Letisha Padilla - September 04, 2021 at 02:41 PM

GM

“ *Gail Moore lit a candle in memory of Curtis (Curt) (Skip) Skipper*



Gail Moore - September 03, 2021 at 10:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Curtis (Curt) (Skip) Skipper.*



September 03, 2021 at 08:07 PM

JC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss Nicki  
You now have a guardian angel watching  
over you. Stay strong and watch for those  
signs..they exist.  
I know that personally  
Love ya  
Hugs  
God Bless  
😭



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**Julie Cox** - September 03, 2021 at 07:58 PM

AS

“ Nickie,,  
I'm so sorry for your loss of your love!!  
I've been there too... AND you'll always  
remember his love for you and hold on to  
that!!!  
I'm here for you...



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**Almetra Strange** - September 03, 2021 at 02:41 PM

AN

“ Andrea lit a candle in memory of Curtis (Curt)  
(Skip) Skipper



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**Andrea** - September 03, 2021 at 07:35 AM

BB

“ Ms. Nikki

*I am so sorry to hear about Curtis. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Love ya. Bonnie & Tuf*

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**Bonnie Bizzell** - September 02, 2021 at 04:40 PM

GS

“ Glenn, Krystal. Paige and Colton Skipper purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Curtis (Curt) (Skip) Skipper.



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**Glenn, Krystal. Paige and Colton Skipper** - September 02, 2021 at 11:43 AM

SA

“ Thank you for always being there for the boys, Steven and Ryan. We will miss you! We love you, Curt! ❤️ Prayers for all of the Skipper family.



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**Samantha** - September 02, 2021 at 10:15 AM

AS

“ Thank you Curtis for being the light in Nickie's eyes!!!  
Now you and my hubby can tell your stories about Nickie and I!  
God Speed....



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**Almetra Strange** - September 01, 2021 at 10:22 PM

PK

“ Love you Curtis Skipper! Fly high on the wings of Eagles.. and into God's hands.

*Thank you for loving Nickie and making her the center of your life.  
And thank you for sharing your life with us.*



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**Pat and Tom Kuemmerle** - September 01, 2021 at 07:52 PM

EM

“ Elizabeth Moore lit a candle in memory of Curtis (Curt) (Skip) Skipper



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**elizabeth moore** - September 01, 2021 at 06:01 PM