

I am an American Airman: Wingman, Leader, and Warrior.

I will never leave an Airman behind, I will never falter, and I will not fail.



Once an Outlaw, Always an Outlaw



OUTLAW MONTHLY BULLETIN

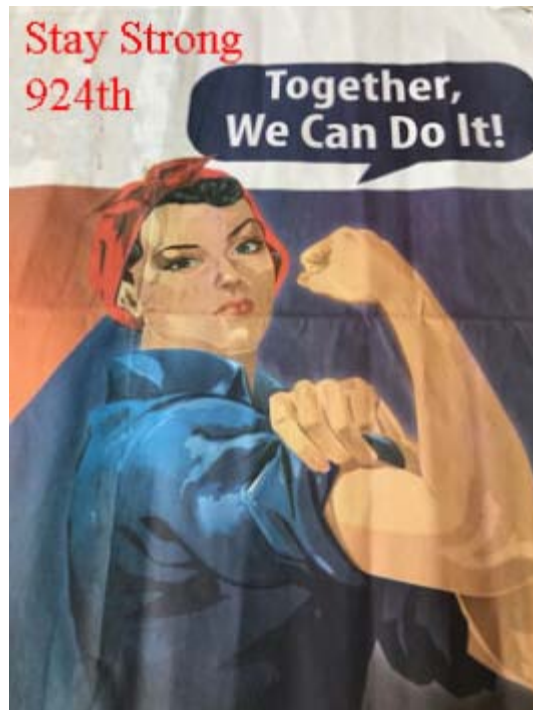


2020

18th Year Edition

Established March 2002

Ed Copher, Editor, "924 Keeper of the Flame"



Stay Home, Stay Strong, and Stay Safe

It will come to pass



Keeper of the Flame, Song by Miranda Lambert

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=ydE6lzd-VQ>

I'm the keeper of the flame
The teller of the story
Keeper of the flame
For the ones that came before me
For the little pilot lights waiting to ignite
Like fireflies in the rain
Keeper of the flame



Please join the 924 Facebook page:

Go to Facebook groups, search for: **924th TFG**

Ed Copher is the page administrator, and will approve your joining

924 Photo Albums *(Sets)*

38 Albums....2115 Photos

Click here: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/924outlaws/sets/>

Click on each photo to enlarge

Newest Album: **"20 Year Reunion"**

200 Photos

View counts as of 01 May 2020, since July 2007

Total Album Views

509,233 views

www.Flickr.com charges \$49.99 per year to keep the **OUTLAW Photo Albums** on their website.

****15 Nov 2019 PAID \$49.99 annual Flickr photo site fee

OUTLAW WEB SITE:

www.924tfg.com (password: outlaws (all lower case))

23,010 Visitors since Jan 09

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***Total cost for the 924 Website is **\$293.97** per year

04 March 2020 paid: \$14.45 for "Domain Name Registration" annual one year renewal

4 Sept 2019 paid: GoDaddy website hosting for 2 year renewal: **\$286.34**

30 Jan 2020 paid: Webmaster Maintenance Fee **\$120** p/year

Jim Houston, **Webmaster** for www.924tfg.com, fee for maintaining the 924 website.

It is only \$10 a month (\$120 p/year).

*****NOTE:** all *donations are appreciated*

Ed Copher

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New Braunfels, TX 78130





924 FLOWER FUND



The purpose is to send a nice flower arrangement to all 924th funerals. *Each arrangement cost over \$100.* The ribbon will read; "**924th BAFB**". A flower arrangement has been sent to the last **57** funerals.

Jim Chapman is the POC for collecting funds and sending the flowers. jchapman90@austin.rr.com

Send donations to: Make out check to Jim Chapman

Jim Chapman

145 Oak Ridge Dr.

Cedar Creek, TX 78612

*****NOTE:** *No donations needed at this time for flower fund.*

TAPS:



Hernandez, Carr, Palmer

Obituary of MSgt Joe D. Hernandez :



1946-2020

Joe died on April 2, 2020 at age 73. In 2012 he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease presumably connected to exposure to Agent Orange. Even after his diagnosis Joe managed to enjoy life up until his last three months despite great health challenges. Each day he expressed his gratitude for being alive. Joe was kind, caring, loving,

compassionate, responsible, generous, trustworthy and humble He was dearly loved and will be truly missed by many family members and friends.

Joe was a terrific pool player, a talent for which he never tooted his own horn! Even though he started playing golf in his 50's he turned out to be a natural and ended up playing many rounds and an occasional tournament with a special group of golfer friends in Miami. An ear for good music was a great quality of Joe's with proof being his awesome Spotify Playlist!

Joe leaves behind his loving and devoted wife of 25 years, Jill, daughter, Alexa, twin brother, Oscar, stepdaughters, Jenifer Kasten (Lawrence) and Jessica Smith (Ronald) and grandchildren Joshua and Madeline Kasten and Miles and Kai Smith.

Joe was buried on April 10, 2020 at the Houston National Cemetery. Due to Coronavirus restrictions, the Honor Guard Ceremony and a Celebration of Joe's Life and Memorial Service sometime in the future when there is a safer time for gathering.



Funeral of MSgt David Carr:

Submitted by Col. Cannon Pritchard

I attended the graveside service of MSgt David Carr on Wednesday, April 4th. He had a military service with a gun salute and taps which was most fitting for him. David was the holder of the Airman's Medal and was the only son of a Battan Death March soldier of WWII. I had known David and served with him about 15 years. His best friend, Col. Mark McClelland served as a pall bearer and presented the American Flag to his widow on behalf of the VFW.

The flowers sent from the 924th TFG were beautiful and comments were made to me from his widow and his three grown sons. Thank you for sending them. Col. Cannon H. Pritchard

Obituary:

<https://www.cochranfh.com/obituary/david-carr>



Taps for TSgt Richard Palmer:



924 Hydraulics shop. Passed away on his birthday. RIP

It is with great sadness that I announce the death of my dad, Richard Wayne Palmer. He passed, April 11, 2020 at the age of 80 in Huntsville Texas.

Born on April 11, 1940 in Pasadena, Texas. He was preceded in death by his wife Peggy Ann O'Dazier Palmer; parents Walter Leslie Palmer and Leona Lucille McGowen Palmer; brothers: Walter Perry Palmer, Virgil Lee Palmer, Floyd Hugh Palmer, Jerry Elvin Palmer. He is survived by his brother Earl Francis Palmer and sister Eva Jeanette Johnson (Palmer); He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1961 to 1995. As a pneudraulics mechanic for tanker, airlift and fighter aircraft. Richard retired a Technical Sergeant from the USAF Reserve out of the 924th Tactical Airlift Group, Bergstrom AFB, Austin Texas. He enjoyed spending time with Shirley Steely Townes, family, neighbors, playing dominoes, traveling and was an avid fisherman. A graveside service will be held at a later date to be determined. Memorials can be made to <https://www.kidney.org/donation>.

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Patrick Palmer is with **Richard Palmer** ...

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Richard Palmer



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Anniversary



CAPT. DAN

Dan V.
Rockport

April 2020



Noy Block, Big Bass, Lake Fork
April 2020



Lake Fork

Ron Blocks wife, Big Bass

Stimulus Payment Info:

Dept of Veterans Affairs COVID-19 update: If you have eligible dependents and did not file 2018 or 2019 tax returns, you must act by May 5 to get the full amount of your Economic Impact Payment. Go to www.IRS.gov then click on "My Stimulus Payment". \$1200 per person and \$500 for each dependant. Learn about VA debt & copay relief options. <https://go.usa.gov/xvE4P>

From BAFB Chowhall: Made by Mando

Submitted by Frank Adame



Anyone remember the Bergstrom Dining Hall and the area known as "The Library"?

This sign was made by Chief Armando Blanco. I was fortunate to have obtained in 1996 and have proudly displayed it in my home. I had many a great meal there, alongside a great group of friends.

"A Million Crosses"

Retired U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sergeant Armando "Mando" Blanco has a rich, blessed life; a lovely daughter, a great son-in-law, and two beautiful grandchildren. They are the apple of his eye.

One of his greatest joys in this life is his ability to work with his God given talents and his two hands. Mando has done everything from working on multi-million dollar military aircraft, to supervising the Carpenter Shop at The University of Texas at Austin, where you could frequently see him doing everything from construction, to sweeping and cleaning up his shop. (He recently retired after a 12 year career) No job has ever been above him or below him, and his entire life he has strived to produce quality in everything he does; a trait he learned from his beloved grandmother, Mama Eva.

As a hobby, Mando started making crosses at his home workshop with scrap wood from around his yard and a local lumber yard, but had no plan for what they would be used for. A chance meeting with a boy in a wheelchair and his caregiving grandmother would be one of several events that would inspire him. Being raised by his grandmother, he felt a tug at his heartstrings to reach out and bless them in some small way. When Mando gave a cross to the woman, and he witnessed the reaction of joy and gratitude that he was met with, it stayed with him. A plan started to form.

Mando likes to call these types of encounters "God Winks" – God knows and sees where you are at, and He sends someone or something to bless you in a special way. This was part of the inspiration for the project; a way that he could show his appreciation to God for all the blessings that He has bestowed on him and his family.

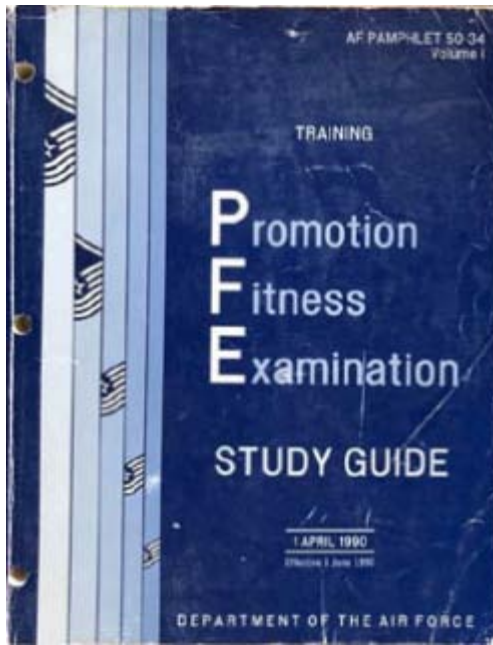
These crosses can now be found everywhere, from the birth of a child to the passing of a loved one. They hang in homes, offices, garages, and churches all around the country, and because of the joy and comfort they bring to people, it is now his inspiration to hand these crosses out to anyone who would like one – to bless them and let them know that God sees, cares about, and loves them.

His goal for A Million Crosses is not so much based on a specific number, but rooted in the intention of spreading the core message of The Gospels; that God loves each and every one of us, regardless of race, color, creed, or gender.

The crosses are FREE of charge, and if you offer to pay him, he will **NOT** take any money for them. He will simply ask you to:

- Remember that no matter where you are, or what you are going through, God sees and loves you.
- Make a small donation to your church or favorite charity, whether it is money, items, or time.
- That you will remember and pass on the story of...

"A Million Crosses"



[Dinosaur Legs:](#)

Day 14 of quarantine...finally got to the bottom of my freezer!!!



[*** Websites of Interest ***](#)

[Video of Austin in 1970's & 80's](#)

<https://www.onlyinyourstate.com/texas/austin/1960s-video-austin/?fbclid=IwAR1-MxMwnMe70bKzcKqZ6exdTHdn9UHNLdhR-IIHMNR93YNZ-FxghaOnFI>

[High Flight by John Denver:](#)

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=1xNGgWNRUf8#>

[Video of Austin, done by Jimmy Fallon:](#) Around Austin & UT

Turn up the sound...great

<https://www.facebook.com/31732483895/posts/10157936267183896?vh=e&d=n&sfns=mo>

["Peace of Mind" written and sang by Tommy "Shotgun" Williamson:](#)

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=cJanTbcYvnc>

[Videos and Photos from 20 Year Reunion:](#) 23-24 Sept 2016

1. Friday Night Video of event that was held at Camp Mabry: **4:40 min video**

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/175270462542104?view=permalink&id=1054743661261442>

2. Saturday Video at the Reunion: **18:27 min Video**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/175270462542104/>

3. Photos: **200 pictures**

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/924outlaws/sets/>



924 RECALL ROSTER

Known Whereabouts: (647 Names)

Revised 01 May 2020

New & Changed Addresses:

See website roster

Complete Roster can be found on the 924th website

www.924tfg.com

(Password: *outlaws*)... "all lower case"

Will email the Roster upon request

Dat...Dat...Dhat's all folks