



Tab Ray West

June 15, 1968 - January 14, 2026

Tab Ray West, age 57, of Gravois Mills, passed away Wednesday, January 14, 2026, in his home with family at his bedside. He was born June 15, 1968, in Brevard, North Carolina, a son to Bobby R. West and his late mother Mary E. (Taylor) West.

He graduated High school in 1986 from Cole Camp R-1 High School.

After High School he obtained a Bachelor of Arts in 2016 in Criminal Justice Administration .

Tab started with the Department of Corrections June of 2001 and retired from the Department of Corrections in December of 2022. He utilized his life serving his country as well as his community. Tab was very loved by all who knew him. He was a man that cared for those in his presence and guided them to always doing the right thing. He was a man of his word and lived by those words. His humor was contagious and his heart was caring. His presence in this world will be missed as he is welcomed into the Lord's arms.

Tab is survived by his wife Pamela L. (Miller) West; three sons Brittan Petree, Gabriel Petree and Cory Petree; his father Bobby R. West; twin brother Tye West and sister Tammy Fischer; granddaughter Abigail Petree; and many neices and nephews. He was preceded in death by his mother Mary E. Taylor.

Per his wishes, cremation is under the direction and care of Kidwell-Garber Funeral home of Laurie/Sunrise Beach. Celebration of Life will be scheduled and at a later date.

Tribute Wall

JE

“*Tab was a true soldier & a role model. I looked up to him in so many ways and I’ve learned so much from him. He always tried to teach everyone how to do the right thing, and definitely lived by his words. He was one of a kind, and had a beautiful soul. I worked with him for 3 years, and he quickly became family to me. He had a great sense of humor and always made everyone laugh & smile. Words can not describe how amazing he was. For eternity, Tab will be very loved and dearly missed by everyone who knew him. 💔 Praying for the entire family. 🙏*”



Jess - February 08 at 11:44 PM

DW

“*Danny White lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West*”



Danny White - February 08 at 01:27 PM

LJ

“*I got to see him smile once. That was pretty awesome.*”



Leonard Montes Jr - January 22 at 10:38 PM

BW

“ My condolences go out to Pam the her family. Tab was a wonderful person and I really enjoyed working with him. He will be missed by many.



BrittBritt Williams - January 21 at 04:51 PM

DK

“ I have so many fond memories of Tab. He and Pam made me feel like I had a family when I was all alone here in Missouri. I owe a lot to the both of them. Tab was strong, resilient, fair, and hilarious. miss him already.

D'Ann Kennedy - January 21 at 10:50 AM

FW

“ Thoughts and prayers for the family at this difficult time. May God be with you all and bring His peace and grace.



Fred and Sandy Wright - January 21 at 09:27 AM



“ Mark Fischer lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Mark Fischer - January 20 at 11:37 PM

BF

“ I'm sending prayers out to Pam and her family. So very sorry for this loss. Tab will be missed. He was a good person. I always enjoyed working with Tab and for him. He always had a smile on his face and always ready to help if needed. Fly high my friend the skies will be brighter!!!



Bonnie Fields - January 20 at 10:04 PM

MM

“ Mason Miller lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Mason Miller - January 20 at 09:08 PM

PE

“ Pam Evans lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



pam evans - January 20 at 08:58 PM

LS

“ Loretta Stayton lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Loretta Stayton - January 20 at 08:28 PM

SJ

“ Sheri Jordan lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Sheri Jordan - January 20 at 08:22 PM

LR

“ Linda Reusch lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Linda Reusch - January 20 at 08:00 PM

AN

“ Andrew lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Andrew - January 20 at 07:57 PM

TF

“ Tammy Fischer lit a candle in memory of Tab Ray West



Tammy Fischer - January 20 at 07:47 PM