

Ode to T/Sgt. Glenn Wilson
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Ode To a Good Friend and Comrade in Arms

Glenn was his name, a friend and Comrade to too many to name.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force in nineteen fifty at the early age of seventeen.

He took the oath to uphold his county's values as follows:

*I, Glenn Wison do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States
against all enemies, foreign and domestic;
that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same;
and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me,
according to regulations and the
Uniform Code of Military Justice. So help me God.*

Over the next twenty years, Glenn followed this oath to the letter as he served as an Air Policeman in the United States Air Force.

He defended his country's interest during the Cold War, Korean War and courageously defended his country's principles during the Vietnam War.

He was a Noncommissioned Officer extraordinary as witnessed by all who served with him. He made logical, meaningful and fair decisions that stood fast for all.

He will be long remembered and missed by his family and Comrades in Arms.

Farewell my dear friend, may your spirit forever soar with eagles.

In the name of all the Airmen that had the privilege and pleasure of knowing you!

Your old jungle buddy,

Jackie

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From: Steve Gattis:

Jackie,

You said everything and so much more that meant everything to Glenn. He was the best and always approachable, never aloof, always willing to listen, share experience and just ask how you were doing. He did all of those things for us because he was tough. He didn't have to use his stripes as a hammer. His character and personal leadership traits made him a lifesaving first-line supervisor. As young airmen who were about to become supervisors, he was the man to emulate. Back then, we all looked for great leaders, but Curtis LeMay and Robin Olds were so far off in the distance that we couldn't relate to them unless they showed up. Glenn was always there. He was one of us, sharing the same hardships and hours on duty in the darkest nights of our lives.

Steve Gattis

From: Terry Sasek

Jackie, this is a great tribute to a great man who many of us have always had great respect for, we had many email conversations and I always looked forward to his words and comments in those emails. Rest in eternal peace Glenn, you have certainly earned it.

Terry Sasek. BT 1968-1969 LM#687