## **TAPS**



\*Yoakum, Tony M. USA; Flight Classes: 67-19/67-17; RVN: 68-69 57 AHC, 71 175 AHC, 71 114 AHC; Callsigns: Cougar

19/Bushwacker 34/Cobra 34.

Tony M. Yoakum rode to meet his Lord and Savior on March 12, 2022. Tony was born on November 25, 1945, in Vernon, TX.

Tony graduated from Vernon High School in 1964 and attended Hardin-Simmons University and Midwestern State University before enlisting in the U. S. Army in 1966. It was there he fulfilled his dream of becoming a pilot. In 1974, Tony was hired as temporary Christmas help by the U S. Post Office. This developed into a 40-year career that culminated with seventeen years as Postmaster, Vernon, TX.

Tony was determined (some might say stubborn), creative and an inspiration to many. As a mentor, teacher, coach, and encourager his influence will live on in many lives.

He is survived by his wife, Sherry.