

Donald Lee Baker, 67, of Debary, Fla., died Tuesday, July 24, 2007, at his home.

He graduated in 1957 from Normal High in Illinois. He was a state wrestling champion in his class. He served 30 years in the military and was a decorated combat medic in Vietnam. He became a Chinook pilot who trained fellow soldiers in the art of flying in combat and reconnaissance. He also became head of aircraft with the 82nd Airborne Division.

Survivors include: two daughters and a son-in-law, Sheila Baker and Stephen Patterson of Lakemont and Michelle Baker Lingus of Richmond, Va.; and four grandchildren, Taylor and Tessa Patterson and Dylan and Leah Lingus.

A private service will be held. The remains are to be cremated.

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