



Tommie Parker Morris

December 19, 1934 - March 25, 2015

Tommie Parker Morris lost his long battle with cancer and went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, March 25, 2015. Tom was a longtime educator and assistant principal in the Longview Independent School District. He cherished his role as husband and father and was a faithful caregiver to his wife Gracellyn as she battled many years of dementia and Alzheimer's disease. He was most proud of his service to our country as a United States Marine. He also worked as a part time security guard and served as an alcohol and drug rehabilitation counselor. Tom loved re-connecting with former students and was very much a "people" person. He always had a very positive and uplifting attitude, even in the most trying situations.

Tom was an avid collector of guns and had a passion for shooting and learning self defense tactics. He thoroughly enjoyed assisting in concealed handgun classes until the last days of his life.

Tom was a member of FBC Longview and greatly enjoyed his fellowship with the men's groups there, especially the Men's Thursday Lunch Bunch.

Tom was preceded in death by his wife, Gracellyn Morris, his son, Pete Watson, and his daughter, Clyda Ruth Morris. He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank his doctors and nurses who treated him with such loving care during his lengthy illness. Also extreme gratitude from the family to Don Radcliffe and Dean Brussard for their faithful friendship, support, and care for Tom throughout his illness.

Graveside services for Tommie Parker Morris will be Friday March 27, 2015 at 3:00 PM at Rosewood Park Cemetery in Longview with Rev. David English officiating.

Pallbearers include: Dr. Ken Durham, Dr. Joe Baucum, Don Radcliffe, Lee White, David Dorsett, Jay Mesura-el, and Honorary Pallbearers include Dean Brussard, Dr. Dewayne Beaty, and the men of the First Baptist Church Men's Thursday Lunch Bunch.

Comments



“ Tom became a true friend and almost co-worker /employee but would not take pay for his services. He came to class on a regular basis and always added something to the class. He will be sorely missed. Don Radcliffe Prepared Advantage Academy



Don Radcliffe - March 26, 2015 at 09:20 AM



“ Lee And Alley White lit a candle in memory of Tommie Parker Morris



Lee and Alley White - March 26, 2015 at 08:38 AM



“ WE are so sorry to hear of his passing today. We would talk when he'd come to walk at the ROC. He was such a nice man & will be greatly missed.

Pam Thompson

Pam Thompson - March 25, 2015 at 05:08 PM