



Thomas Goodell

July 7, 2019

Thomas P. "Tom" Goodell, 60, formerly of Cobb County, went Home to the Lord on Sunday, July 7 after a long and brave battle with heart and kidney failure. Tom was born in an Air Force family to Harlan and Mary Richardson Goodell in Gulfport, Ms. He attended Sprayberry High School in Marietta and Gainesville College. He went on to serve proudly and honorably himself in the Air Force, having survived combat in Iran during the hostage crisis in 1979-80.

Tom was the father of eleven surviving children who live coast to coast and beyond, one currently living in China. He was regional manager for AT&T cellular and was the idea man behind unlimited service.

He was a born again Christian and loved the mission of cooking for the homeless. Additionally, he was a self taught insurance expert, and looked at acquiring grants for people without health insurance as his personal ministry.

He is survived by his father Harlan, stepmother Shirley, eleven children by a previous marriage to Geneva DaVega Goodell, and ten grandchildren, two brothers, Danny Goodell of Rhode Island and Jon Goodell of Marietta, along with a host of nieces, nephews, and a heartbroken wife, Sandi, his high school sweetheart.

There will be no local services and the memorials will be private.

Special thanks also go to his longtime best friend, Tim Gant, for helping the family out at this most difficult time.

Comments



“ Carol Thomisee-Despino lit a candle in memory of Thomas Goodell



Carol Thomisee-Despino - July 14 at 01:07 PM



“ Sandi Goodell lit a candle in memory of Thomas Goodell



Sandi Goodell - July 11 at 06:29 AM



“ I wish I could express what a wonderful man and husband Tom was. In a formal obit, I couldn't say oh. he was so handsome and sweet and smart and funny and how much I loved him so dearly. We fought an incredibly hard road together, but what a team we were ! Nothing will ever match his memory or what we shared as one. Goodbye, my lifelong love. I will love you forever, as I always have.

Sandi Goodell - July 10 at 07:55 PM



“ You two always belonged together and I thank God for bringing you both back to each other.

Brenda - July 11 at 01:56 AM



“ Tom was one of the kindest & loving, caring , gentle, man that I've had the pleasure of calling my dear friend. He would always go the extra mile to help someone if they needed assistance in any way. The world lost a true gentle spirit which is our loss & Heaven's gain. Rest in Peace Tom. We will think of you often. Loved you, my friend. Patty Schaper.

Patty Schaper - July 10 at 07:16 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Goodell.



July 10 at 08:02 AM