



Thomas H Eakes

September 5, 1934 - December 25, 2021

Thomas “Tom” H. Eakes, age 87, transitioned peacefully to be with Jesus early Christmas morning on Saturday, December 25, 2021. Tom spent Christmas with the love of his life, Joanie his wife who had previously passed on July 22, 2006.

Tom was born in Port Arthur, Texas on September 5, 1934 to Lila Easter Parks and William Thomas Eakes. He had two older sisters Mary Lou Richards, and Lucy Easter McDaniel affectionately called, “Rusty”.

Tom’s accomplishments include; serving our country in the Air Force, first class in 1952. After his 4-year commitment in the military, Tom graduated Bible Standard College in Eugene on June 4, 1959. On August 13, 1966 he received a Bachelor degree in Theology at NW Christian College. Tom met his wife, Joan Franklin in Bible College. The couple married on February 17, 1962. Together they served as a team in the Ministry for over 40 years. Tom and Joan were married for 44 years. After Joan’s death in 2006, Tom decided to semi-retire from the Ministry.

August 26, 2008, he found employment in the shoe department at Fred Meyer in Newberg, OR. Tom earned numerous Customer Service Awards, where he delighted his guests with stories and songs. He also officiated over several, fellow employee wedding ceremonies. Tom had a heart for children. On

several occasions, Tom would secretly purchase shoes when parents could not afford them. He would make sure the shoes were delivered to the child in need. Tom will be remembered affectionately as, "Mr. Thomas" by his fellow work associates, at Fred Meyer. He was still technically employed at age 87. Retirement was not in Tom's vocabulary, because work was never a four-letter word to him.

Tom is survived by his two daughters, Rhoda Karis (Peter) and Kimberly Johnson (Gilbert); three grandsons, Joshua Johnson, Chase Kairis and Jesse Johnson (Hilary); one great-grandson Parker Kairis; two fur babies, Sunflower and Solo aka 'Fat Cat'. Tom's sister Lucy "Rusty" McDaniel (Buddy); nephew Wade Richards (Sandy); nieces, Tammi Jordon (Bob), Debbie Morris (Joe), Leslie Jones and several great-nieces and nephews.

Family and Friends are invited to celebrate Tom's life Saturday, January 29th at 11:00 AM Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel. 207 Villa Road. Newberg, OR 97132

(If unable to attend in person you can join us via Zoom Meeting ID 74019574915 Passcode 01292022)

"If there ever comes a day when we can't be together, keep me in your heart, I'll stay there forever".

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN **29**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Attrell's Funeral Chapel
207 N Villa Rd
Newberg, OR 97132
(503) 538-2191
info@attrells.com
<https://www.attrells.com>

Graveside Service

JAN **29**. 12:30 PM (PT)

Valley View Memorial Park
24235 NE Dayton Avenue
Newberg, OR 97132

Tribute Wall

JL

“ Tom was truly a lovely man- a blend of both fired up fervor and the gentleness of a dove. He loved everyone he encountered.

See you on the other side, Tom. ❤️

Julie L.

julie larkin - February 05, 2022 at 04:08 PM

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Kimberly Johnson - January 21, 2022 at 10:36 PM

KJ

“ I remember this day as if it was yesterday. Dad stopped by my office on his way to work on Halloween. Janers looking through the window as if to say what the heck. Still get a good laugh when I see this pic. I will miss it popping up on my phone since it's his profile pic.

Love you Daddy. Give Mom a great big hug from me.



Kimberly Johnson - January 21, 2022 at 10:21 PM



I love you ❤️ Your Dad was a true man of character 😊 He will always be my friend.

Jane McShane - January 25, 2022 at 04:21 PM