



Thomas Arthur "Tom" Swearingin Sr.

October 29, 1949 - February 23, 2017

Thomas Arthur "Tom" Swearingin, Sr., son of Asbury Winfred and Gertrude Marcella Swearingin, was born October 29, 1949 in Excelsior Springs, Missouri where he grew up and attended school.

At the age of 21, Tom entered the United States Army and served his country faithfully until his retirement after 20 years of service. He had attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. He earned several awards and commendations; some of which include: Army Achievement Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Army Commendation Medal 1st Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Service Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal 4th Award, NCPO Professional Development Ribbon w/numeral 2, National Defense Service Medal 2nd Award, Overseas Service Ribbon w/numeral 4, Driver and Mechanic Badge, Expert Marksmanship Badge Grenade and Expert Marksmanship Badge Rifle.

On October 20, 1983, Tom was united in marriage to Patricia Ann Rearrick in Camdenton, Missouri and they shared over 33 years of marriage together. Upon their marriage, two families were blended and they shared three children: Tom, Robert and Judy.

After retiring from the military, Tom began working as a civil service employee on Fort Leonard Wood and did so for 10 years.

In his spare time, Tom enjoyed being outdoors while fishing and hunting. He liked to play cards and he and Pat enjoyed singing karaoke and dancing. Tom had a great sense of humor and loved joking around with his family and friends. His greatest joy came from his family and he looked forward to every moment he could spend with them. Tom was a lifetime member of the Francis J. Lynch VFW 3168 of Laquey, Missouri.

Tom passed away Thursday, February 23, 2017, in the University of Missouri Hospital of Columbia, Missouri having attained the age of 67 years. He will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered by all those that knew and loved him.

Tom leaves to cherish his memory, his wife: Pat of the home; three children: Thomas Swearingin, Jr (Jayne) of Burnsville, MN., Robert “Bob” Swearingin (Morgan) of Kansas City, MO, and Judy Miner (Mark) of Laquey, MO; eight grandchildren: Addym, Connor, Quinn, Oliver, Justin, Kristin, Jarrod, and Katlyn; his mother: Marcella Swearingin of Edwards, MO; four brothers: Jack, Peter, Larry and Dick Swearingin; and one sister: Susie Ash; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Tom was preceded in death by his father: Asbury Winfred Swearingin and two sisters: Ann and Peggy Lynn Swearingin.

Services were held at 12:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, 2017 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Pastor Danny Graves officiating. Tom’s son, Bob, recalled his wonderful memories of his dad. The songs “Amazing Grace” and “What A Day That Will Be” were performed by Willie and Ronnie White. Serving as escorts were the United States Army. Burial with military honors followed in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of Waynesville. Military honors were provided by the United States Army of Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Tom Swearingin and may be left at the funeral home.

Cemetery

Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood
25350 Hwy H
Waynesville, MO, 65583

Events

FEB	Visitation	05:00PM - 07:00PM
28	<div>Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert</div> <div>202 Historic 66 W., Waynesville, MO, US, 65583</div>	
MAR	Visitation	11:00AM - 12:00PM
1	<div>Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert</div> <div>202 Historic 66 W., Waynesville, MO, US, 65583</div>	
MAR	Service	12:00PM
1	<div>Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert</div> <div>202 Historic 66 W., Waynesville, MO, US, 65583</div>	

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - March 02, 2017 at 12:15 PM



“ 3 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - February 28, 2017 at 06:00 PM



“ 58 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - February 28, 2017 at 11:18 AM



“ Bruce & Marion Travis sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Arthur "Tom" Swearingin Sr.



Bruce & Marion Travis - February 28, 2017 at 09:51 AM



“ Pat, You're in our thoughts and prayers. Our heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family during this difficult time.

Marion Travis - February 28, 2017 at 09:54 AM



“ Sharon Squires sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Arthur "Tom" Swearingin Sr.



Sharon Squires - February 27, 2017 at 07:10 PM



“ Pat and family,
I'm sorry for your loss. Will be praying for you all as you go through this trying time.

Linda Bradshaw

Linda Bradshaw - February 27, 2017 at 05:06 PM



“ So sorry to learn of your husbands death. I know things will be different and empty for you but thankfull you have your daughter there and your mom to help you.
Barbara Wilson

Barbara Wilson - February 27, 2017 at 01:27 PM



“ Linda Levett sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Arthur "Tom" Swearingin Sr.



Linda Levett - February 27, 2017 at 01:11 PM



“ Randall Holyfield lit a candle in memory of Thomas Arthur "Tom" Swearingin Sr.



Randall holyfield - February 27, 2017 at 11:27 AM



“ Pat, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Charlene Long-Nalley - February 27, 2017 at 10:46 AM



“ Pat we are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Bill and Sue Anderson - February 27, 2017 at 06:11 AM