



George W. Thomas

October 13, 1943 - May 31, 2021

George W. Thomas, 77, peacefully took his final breath surrounded by his family on Monday, May 31, 2021. George was born in Wilmington, DE on October 13, 1943, to Howard and Alice. He had 3 brothers: Bill, Howard Jr., and Allen and a sister, Linda. George eventually settled in Claymont, DE, and currently resided in Townsend, DE. He was a loving father, doting Pop-pop, and devoted husband to his wife, Theresa with whom he celebrated over 50 years of marriage until her death in March 2020. As a young man, George enlisted in the U.S. Marines and proudly served his country as a sergeant in the Vietnam War specializing as a Rocket Gunner. After the war, he married Theresa and started a family in Claymont, DE where he worked in commercial/ residential maintenance. The man knew how to fix almost anything and enjoyed sharing that knowledge! George had a way of making you feel welcome in his presence. When you entered any room, he was in you knew to expect a big hug and a kiss on the cheek. George enjoyed being with friends and family and loved time spent with he and his wife's lifelong friends Ron and Doris Betts, as well Ms. Martha Lawhorne, who was like a mom to him, which gained him an 'extended' family of brothers and sisters. However, nothing made George light up more than seeing his grandchildren. They each have a special place in his heart.

George is survived by his daughters, Christine O'Leary and Patricia McDowell; sons, George Thomas, Jr (Gwen) and William Thomas (Alison);

grandchildren: Julian, Nicki, Dustin, Daniel, George III, Gillian, Gwendolyn, James, Nicholas, and McKenna; brother, Bill Thomas; and sister, Linda Magaw. He was preceded in death by his best friend and beloved wife, Theresa Thomas; both of his parents; granddaughter, Claudia O'Leary; and brothers, Howard, Jr. and Allen Thomas.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers to please donate to The Wounded Warrior Project either online or by calling 855-448-3997 or directly to your local Hospice facility in George's honor. There will be a Celebration of Life at a future date. The family will reach out with the details. To send an online condolence, visit www.stranofeeley.com

Cemetery Details

Private

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear about George's passing. We joined the Marine Corp together ,went through boot camp and went to Vietnam ,we were were BEST friends. When his father passed we cried together. A true wonderful friend.
See you soon George. Sorry we lost contact over the years.
Love you buddy.
Len Thompson

Len Thompson - April 19, 2022 at 09:10 AM

SB

“ I'm sure anyone who knew Pop felt lucky. I still feel lucky. He came to my Moms funeral service 3 months after I lost my Dad. I was standing alone by the 1st pew trying to wrap my head around all of it. I was sort of lost while shaking hands w/folks I haven't seen in years...and haven't seen them since. Their kindness was welcome, I'm grateful for those efforts and their kindness, I still felt hollow somehow. Mr. Thomas shook my hand and said something to me which I will never forget. "I know this is hard Steve...I want you to know, you've Always been like a son to me." I never called him Mr. Thomas again after that...from then on it was "Pop". For 35 yrs George Thomas was my Friend, for 11 of those years, He was my POP. I'm lucky to have had George Thomas in my life. Thanks Pop.

Steve Bierman - August 09, 2021 at 03:49 AM

UM

“ We send our deepest sympathy. Your father was a very special man we know you will all miss him very much. Uncle bill and aunt mary

uncle bill and aunt mary - June 06, 2021 at 01:40 PM

WT

“ GOOD BY BABY BROTHER, YOU WILL BE MISSED BY ALL
YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS LOVE BROTHER BILL

WILLIAM H THOMAS - June 05, 2021 at 10:04 PM

LM

“ we will miss you very much but you have no
pain and you and theresa are together again



linda and buddy magaw - June 05, 2021 at 09:31 AM

MA

“ Will miss your phone calls uncle George .you
were such a sweet lovinf man give dad and
aunt Theresa a kiss.



Mary - June 05, 2021 at 06:35 AM