



Clint Franklin Thomas

May 17, 1938 - May 3, 2019

Clint Franklin Thomas, 80, of Rose Place, Lenoir, passed away Friday, May 3, 2019 at his residence. He was born May 17, 1938 to the late Sherman Thomas and Lena Thomas Pugh.

Clint graduated from North Carolina School for the Deaf and retired from Bernhardt Industries after 44 years. Clint was the founder of NC Bass Anglers of the Deaf established in 1974 and is also in the NCSD Hall of Fame for football and wrestling. He loved putting out his Christmas Village for many people to enjoy. He was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include his wife and the love of his life for 58 years, Elizabeth A. Thomas. He is also survived by daughters, Nancy Cannon and husband Rickie of Lenoir, Janet Epperson and husband Dave of Lincolnton, Sue Ann Kanupp and husband Jeff of Lenoir, grandchildren Beth Fleenor and husband Devin, Bailey Kanupp, Trevor Kanupp & Stephanie Rodriguez, Grayson Epperson and great grandchildren Shelby & Wyatt Fleenor.

Serving as pallbearers will be Rickie Cannon Sr., Dave Epperson, Jeff Kanupp, Trevor Kanupp, Grayson Epperson, and Rickie Cannon Jr.

A graveside service celebrating Clint's life will be held on Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3:30 PM at Woodlawn Memorial Gardens in Lenoir.

The family will receive friends at Evans Funeral Service on Sunday prior to the service from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

Online condolences can be sent to the family at www.evansfuneralservice.com.

Evans Funeral Service and Crematory of Lenoir is serving the Thomas family.

Comments



“ Dear my Lord, I can't forget this a wonderful sweet man on earth.we always had good chat. You left earth and get me more weep in my eyes. I can' forget your sweet name on my mind. Dear lord I wish I can chance to see you and your lovely wife before you left earth.you the lord I can't erase off on his name. I will keep weeping until I meet you again. Missed you so much,.....Jean Lockamy

Jean Lockamy - May 06, 2019 at 07:16 AM



“ Clint was wonderful man to make Deaf Seniors of NC technology fliers while his wife Elizabeth was Treasurer and Debi McNally President. We are not forgotten them

Debi McNally - May 05, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ Carolyn Arnettr lit a candle in memory of Clint Franklin Thomas



Carolyn Arnettr - May 05, 2019 at 09:12 AM



“ Tom and Terri Smoke purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Clint Franklin Thomas.



Tom and Terri Smoke - May 04, 2019 at 11:46 AM



“ From The CMS Transportation Dept Family purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Clint Franklin Thomas.



From The CMS Transportation Dept Family - May 04, 2019 at 11:34 AM



“ Alicia Sherman lit a candle in memory of Clint Franklin Thomas



alicia sherman - May 04, 2019 at 11:18 AM



“ Clint was a kind, gentle man and he posted beautiful photos almost daily for all of us to enjoy on facebook. Never commented, but you felt touched by his kind hand. He will always have a spot in my heart. Sympathies to all the children and especially my cousin, Lib, and although she may not understand the depth of his love, she will have the memories.

Love,
Elaine & Joseph Lee

Elaine Lee - May 04, 2019 at 10:07 AM



“ I know Clint since I was a little boy, good friend of my family especially my uncle Charlie. Always liked to chat with him. He will be missed. My sympathies goes to his wife, Elizabeth and families.

Herman and Nancy Fletcher

Herman Fletcher - May 04, 2019 at 09:11 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Clint Franklin Thomas.



May 04, 2019 at 09:00 AM



“ Clint was a sweet gentleman with a sense of humor. I have known him for years while in social gatherings. He will be missed in the Deaf Community. Condolences to his wife Elizabeth & daughters as well as family members.

Jimmy Autrey, Hickory, NC

Jimmy Autrey - May 04, 2019 at 01:25 AM



“ Susan N Greg Duncan lit a candle in memory of Clint Franklin Thomas



Susan N Greg Duncan - May 03, 2019 at 04:07 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Clint Franklin Thomas.



May 03, 2019 at 02:58 PM



“ Such a sweet man with a kind heart. And a great sense of humor. He was good at intentionally confusing me while trying to learn some sign language. And would flash his devilish grin when he succeeded at flustering me! Loved his sweet spirit! He will surely be missed.

Pam Shehan - May 03, 2019 at 02:38 PM



“ My parents - Linda and Wilson Moore - worked with Clint for years at Bernhardt. Our family thought so much of him and his family. I have enjoyed running into him and his wife in the past years and catching up with them. He was always so happy to see you.

I know he will be greatly missed.

Linda and Wilson Moore - daughter Pam Poarch

Pamela Poarch - May 03, 2019 at 02:34 PM