



Tommy Estes

January 25, 2021

Tommy Estes, 74, transitioned from this life on January 25, 2021 in Tallahassee, Florida. Tommy was born and raised in Louisville, Kentucky along with his three siblings. He attended Pleasure Ridge Park High School, making lifelong friendships while enjoying and excelling in various sports. He later continued his love of sports by joining an adult, travel softball team, hunting, Figure 8 racing in his 66 Chevrolet, and working with harness racehorses. He slowed down in more recent years to enjoy both fishing and golfing. He enjoyed the friendship of many as he had a quick wit and a genuine warmth with others.

His personality allowed him success in various sales positions. He also spent time working within the airline industry, which afforded him many years of travel and an introduction to his wife of 31 years.

He has left behind much loved family members, his wife Nancy, his two sons Brian (Gina) Estes of Nashville and Raymond Estes of Tallahassee, his three grandchildren Mallory Riley (Ricky), Taylor Estes, and Hunter Estes, and his great granddaughter Evie Riley, all of Nashville, as well as many other dear family members and friends, both old and new.

Tommy accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior in 1989 and we rest in knowing he continues to walk with Him today in complete healing. 2 Corinthians 5:1-8

Due to Covid-19 a ceremony is not planned at this time. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice, the Alzheimer's Association, or a charity of your choice.

Comments



“ Tommy truly enjoyed the ocean and found all its creatures fascinating. When we first met, he kept a saltwater aquarium and enjoyed snorkeling in the Florida Keys. We became dive certified together and dove Grand Cayman Island on our honeymoon. Throughout the years we were blessed to be able to snorkel and dive in many beautiful places, Bermuda, Hawaii, Mexico, and throughout the islands of the Caribbean. When determining where to place his ashes, the Neptune Memorial Reef was a perfect location.

Tommy, although I know that your spirit is with the Lord, your earthly remains now have a resting place within the beauty of the ocean that was created by Him.

You alone are the LORD;
You have made heaven,
The heaven of heavens, with all their host,
The earth and everything on it,
The seas and all that is in them,
And You preserve them all.
The host of heaven worships You.
Neh 9:6

I miss you and I love you,
Nancy

Nancy Estes - April 21 at 04:51 PM



“ The reef photos are so beautiful!

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature,
shall be able to separate us from the love of God,
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

Miss you and love you, Tommy!

Linda

Linda Williams - April 25 at 09:02 PM



“ Hello, Nancy. My name is Jean Conner Grawemeyer. I grew up next-door to Tommy and his family on Robbins Rd. I just learned from Buddy Hart that Tommy passed in January of this year. I am so very sorry for your loss. I know it was huge!

My family of five went to most of Tommy's football and basketball games at PRP. Of course, we thought he was the greatest athlete that ever lived! We did not have anyone in our household Tommy's age. I am the oldest of three and I was a Freshman when Tommy was a Senior, so we didn't travel in the same groups. As you know he was a superior athlete, and as you also know. he was a heck of a nice guy. It was so cute when he had to wear a

tie for a function, he came over to our house so my dad could tie it for him.

I was really glad to see him in 2015 at the PRP All-classes Reunion at Mike Linnig's. I think he was in town for his actual class of 1965 reunion. I had someone take a picture of Tommy and me with my cell phone. I would send it to you, but I can't attach anything here.

I am so happy for Tommy that he had you for 30+ years. It sounds as though you all had a wonderful life together! You were obviously well matched, especially with your obvious athleticism.

Take care, and again, I am so sorry you have lost this wonderful man.

Jean Conner Grawemeyer
PRP '68

Jean Conner Grawemeyer - August 01 at 10:58 PM



“ We were Blessed to have Tommy as a Son-in-Law for more than 30 years - He had a loving relationship with each of us-Always ready to Lend a Helping Hand- He will be greatly missed however we are Happy that he is free of pain and at Rest- We Love You Tommy- Betty and Bob-

Betty and Bob Weber - February 06 at 01:58 PM



“ I have so many great memories with Uncle Tommy. Going to FSU baseball games, fishing down by the dock behind the lake house, and countless vacations to Tallahassee and spending time with him, Aunt Nancy and Raymond. But what will stand out the most for me is the way he lit up the room with his joyous and infectious smile. He always had a way of bringing laughter to the room with his (sometimes corny) jokes. I just loved being around him.

Love you Uncle Tommy, I know you'll have a great joke waiting for me when I see you again in Heaven one day.

Steven Williams - February 01 at 10:45 PM



“ I have some great memories with Tommy - watching him crush the ball on the golf course, watching FSU Baseball games together, and family dinners around the table. My favorite memories are Sunday breakfasts - Patti and I would join Tommy and Nancy after we went to church together and enjoy good conversations. Tommy was a great friend and brother-in-law. I will miss him, and look forward to spending more time with him in the future. I hope there's baseball in heaven...

Robert Weber - January 31 at 07:23 PM



“ MEMORIES OF TOMMY, MY BELOVED BROTHER-IN-LAW:

- You were always making the family laugh with your jokes, infectious smile and great personality.
- You were always counted on to say a loving prayer at the family get-togethers.
- You were always the fun Dad/Uncle with Raymond, Nick and Steven. Always willing to get on the floor and wrestle or get dirty in the backyard playing with the kids.
- You were always there to help Mom and Dad whenever they needed anything.
- You were always happy to let Willie and I (and Steven) invade your home when we came up to Tallahassee (which was a lot).

Miss you and love you Tommy! I look forward to seeing you again in Heaven where we will rejoice with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Sending Love and Prayers to Nancy, Raymond, and Brian and family.

Love,
Linda Williams

MEMORIES OF TOMMY, MY BROTHER-IN-LAW, INVOLVED OUR MANY GREAT FISHING ADVENTURES:

- Big Lake Nona in Orlando with Gene when we caught 63 bass between the three of us.
- The pond at our Waterside Pointe Circle house when we caught 38 bass in two hours between the two of us.
- Your Lake Yvette house when we caught the biggest croppie we have ever seen.
- Dale Earnhardt Jr's dealership in Tallahassee when we met Jimmy Houston, Larry Nixon, Kevin Van Dam and Tom Mann Jr.
- Farm 13 stick marsh in Fellsmere when we caught a lot of bass but got stuck in a massive rainstorm.

Miss you buddy. We will fish together again in heaven and beat all of our past records!

Love,
Ed Williams (Willie)

Linda and Willie - January 30 at 02:33 PM



“ 8 files added to the album Tommy - Uncle and Brother-in-Law



Linda and Willie - January 30 at 02:10 PM



“ 5 files added to the album Dad/Grandpa Tommy



Brian Estes - January 30 at 12:06 AM



“ Great photos!

Linda and Willie - January 30 at 03:07 PM



“ 13 files added to the album Dad/Grandpa Tommy



Brian Estes - January 30 at 12:02 AM



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Linda and Willie - January 30 at 03:08 PM



“ I have a ton of memories in my mind with Tommy Dale Estes. Since meeting him in 1971, our 50 year friendship has never diminished. One funny memory I have with Tommy is when I helped him move to Orlando from Kentucky. As we were driving south, pulling a U-haul type trailer with all his earthly belongings. We were extremely excited about the fact that he would be living in a place where people in our area saved their money all year just to come for a week's vacation. As we're driving south, we talked about the great weather, Disney World, working at the Orlando Airport, and the increase in income due to no State income tax. Wow, what a deal. As we got closer to Orlando, we pulled into a toll station, and tossed in the toll, no big deal. We had tolls in Kentucky too. As we continued talking and going on our merry way, another toll station popped up. As we continue to get closer to the general area of the City where we were going, we're still talking about the financial benefits of no State taxes and how that even works, then another toll station. As we were nearing our last turnoff, another money eating toll stops us to devour our hard earned money and it dawned on us. "Oh, this is how they they manage No State Taxes. They rob you everywhere you go. We laughed at the thought of the "Money Eaters" waiting to pounce on us from every direction. All in all, it was the best move Tommy ever made. He met the LOVE of his life in Orlando and never looked back. Nancy was the best thing that ever happened to Tommy. Thank you Nancy for being there for my friend all these years. I will forget the life and times I had with Tommy Estes and you. We hope to see you soon.

Glen and Mariette Gammon

Glen Gammon - January 29 at 07:35 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Kevin & Cheryl Sharp - January 28 at 08:45 PM



“ Great photos!

Linda and Willie - January 31 at 01:28 PM



“ We have been blessed to know Tommy and Nancy for about 35 years. Cheryl worked with Tommy and Nancy at US Air. He was generous, kind, loved the outdoors, sweet spirit, and loved the Lord. We were fortunate enough to travel to the ABC Islands to go diving, snorkeling and take in the sites. We know we will see him again in heaven. Kevin and Cheryl Sharp



Kevin & Cheryl Sharp - January 28 at 08:26 PM



“ Roy and I got to know Tommy at Vintage Ridge Bible Study. He was gracious and kind with a great sense of humor. We enjoyed looking through the pictures of a younger Tommy! It looks like he was a fun soul to be around. We miss him so very much but rejoice in the knowledge that today he sees and knows clearly. Today he can do figure 8s all over heaven. Until we meet again, friend ♡

And Nancy, we will be praying for you and all of Tommy's loved ones. May you experience that blessed peace that passes all understanding. ~ Tammy and Roy Neel

Tammy Neel - January 28 at 06:24 PM



“ I put my original message in the wrong spot. Here it is:
We are part of the same Bible Study as Tommy & Nancy. I remember that Tommy liked to bring Publix wings – and we loved eating them! Charles remembers Tommy as having a real servant's heart. I loved his sense of humor. Tommy was a kind and gentle soul and he will be greatly missed. We are sad for our loss but we rejoice for heaven's gain. Till we meet again . . .

Rosemary & Charles Calhoun - January 28 at 04:46 PM



“ For five years we've been so blessed to weekly have bible study with Tommy. He was such an important part of our group. We all loved him so . He was such a good friend to us all. He always brought one of those yummy chocolate silk pies for the fellowship time because he knew it was Rays favorite! We also enjoyed our out to eat dinners at Harry's. Tommy sweet spirit and smile is missed already. I can picture him healed and whole now and just enjoying all heaven and Jesus has in store for him. I'm so thankful to say he was and still is our friend!

Janahanselman@gmail.com - January 28 at 12:08 PM



“ Tommy was such a fun-loving guy! One of my favorite memories of him was watching him host the most creative birthday parties for Raymond. He lived life to the fullest. Billy and I always enjoyed spending time with Tommy and Nancy. We rejoice that he is no longer suffering, but is fully present with our Lord Jesus!

Becky Starnes - January 28 at 11:32 AM



“ Tommy was a wonderful brother in law to us. He was a loving and devoted husband and father. We will miss his beautiful dinner prayers and his corny jokes. Love Vicki

Vicki - January 28 at 09:41 AM



“ Tommy, we have missed you for months now, ever since you got sick, and are saddened by your passing. But we are grateful for the years we had together. You leave behind a devoted wife and a loving son, both of whom will miss you terribly in the days to come but like the rest of us will treasure your memory. Godspeed!

David Powell - January 27 at 08:43 PM



“ 39 files added to the album Tommy



Nancy Estes - January 27 at 11:09 AM



“ Some great photos here from happier days!

David Powell - January 27 at 08:44 PM



“ I loved seeing this side of Tommy!!! (snd nancy too)

janahanselman@gmail.com - January 28 at 03:39 PM



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Rosemary & Charles Calhoun - January 28 at 04:45 PM



“ It is with both joy and sadness that my friend Tommy has moved from this life into his eternal reward. I am so happy for him and sad for we who loved him. I met Tommy on a men's golfing tournament with Calvary Chapel, and we hit it off immediately. From that time, it has been my privilege to be with him both at my business and in our home Bible group. The great conversations we had over the years concerning the scriptures, his automobiles and his family will be cherished by me for as long as I live. I particularly enjoyed when he spoke of his family especially his love for his wife Nancy, and his pride in his son Raymond. Over and over again I heard him proclaim how proud he was of Raymond and his accomplishment, and his care for Nancy was repeated as well.

One of my favorite memories will be when he invited a few men in our home group to his home for lunch. We sat around his table, discussed scripture and had a wonderful sandwich lunch. Tommy then led us over to his living area where we watched beautiful nature scenes that had scriptures over them. Tommy read them to us one by one, and with a precious heart, shared how much he loved each nature scene that was created by God. As simple as this practice was, it revealed Tommy's true love for the Lord Jesus, and I know with assurance that he is with the Lord today.

I'll miss my friend, and I look forward to seeing him again some day.

Ray - January 29 at 12:02 PM



“ Great photos!

Linda and Willie - January 31 at 01:30 PM