



Mr. Tommy Roy Thompson

May 30, 1946 - September 26, 2023

Tommy Roy Thompson, 77, went home to be with his Lord at the VA Community Care Living Center in Reno, Nevada on September 26, 2023 after a long battle with stomach cancer.

He was born on May 30, 1946 to Lois E. (Davis) and Earl E. Thompson in Sacramento, California where he grew up. After graduating from Hiram Johnson High School in 1965 he studied at Sacramento City College and became a licensed optician owning his own practice in Sacramento. He also worked for several years in Fairbanks, Alaska and Mount Vernon, Ohio before moving to Nevada where he continued practicing in the optical field before retiring. For more than 20 years Tom enjoyed the tranquility of his rural home near the Carson River in Dayton, Nevada. He loved playing pool, gardening, rock collecting, and refinishing antiques.

Tom was known for his laugh and great sense of humor. He had a strong determination to work through adversity including the macular degeneration he developed later in life. In his final years he cherished the company of his beloved support dog Yama. Tommy will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his brother and sister-in-law Larry (Doug) Thompson and

Carolyn Reeder of Sacramento; sister and brother-in-law Diane and Robert Bucknell of Carson City, Nevada; nieces and nephews, former spouses Lori Biase and Marne Howard of Sacramento; and his lifelong friend Sharron Bertagnini Henslee of Sacramento. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Tom was an Army veteran who had volunteered for the Vietnam War and later received an honorable medical discharge. He will be interred at the Northern Nevada Veterans Cemetery in Fernley, Nevada. Those wishing to honor Tommy's memory are encouraged to donate to The American Macular Degeneration Foundation.

Tribute Wall



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