



## Thomas Hart

March 17, 1942 - May 25, 2009

Thomas Lester Hart, born March 17, 1942, in Indianapolis, Indiana, died peacefully at home surrounded by his beloved family and close friends on May 22, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Sharon; daughter N. Catherine Hart and husband Philippe Godfrin; son Derrick T. Hart and wife Angela; grandchildren Jessica, Dylan, Marshall, Travis, and Sophia; sister Sue Holsapple and husband Max; sister Linda Hart and partner Lahna Miller; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Lester Hart and mother Marjorie Hart; brothers Jack Hart and James Richard Hart; sister Joann Scott. Tom was best known for his generous spirit and wonderful sense of humor. He lived his life with these priorities: God, family, and work. He was an Elder at First Christian Church, Huntsville. He retired in 2000 after a 26-year career with Champion International Corporation. At that time Tom and his wife moved back to Huntsville so that he could enjoy life on his ranch as well as his favorite sports of hunting and fishing. He loved classical music. He once was asked why he never listened to popular music. He responded, "I listen to popular music; it just happened to be popular in the 1700s." He was a member of the 6th class of the Huntsville Leadership Institute. At the end of December, 2008, he completed a 3-year term as President of Walker County United Way. The family will receive friends at the ranch on Sunday afternoon, May 24, from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. A memorial service will be held at First Christian Church, 1800 Avenue R, Huntsville, at 10:30am, Monday, May 25. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be

made to the Walker County United Way, P.O. Box 321, Huntsville, Texas  
77342-0321. Memorial condolences may be made at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Hart*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I am truly sorry for your loss. Tom was one of the finest men I have ever known. I learned of his passing from a friend who was researching an inquiry on the web about Oakum Lodge. I was both shocked and saddened by the news. I offer my deepest sympathy to his family. I know his children adored him and I can only imagine how heavily his passing weighs on their hearts.*

**R. Hodgdon** - July 07, 2009 at 10:47 PM



“ *I'm am heartsick at the news of Tom's passing. I had the opportunity to work with Tom thru United Way, but I was able to speak to him on occasion about my pet cause, which was fighting cancer. I will light a luminary for Tom at next year's "Relay For Life". This is such a huge loss for our community. Please accept my condolences. He was a wonderful man!*

**Brooke Addams** - June 02, 2009 at 10:37 PM



“ *Dear Sharon. We just received a note from Annette letting us know of Tom's passing. We are so sorry to hear about that. But we know that he is in a better place now. We will sorely miss him. Don is always looking forward to see him when we come to Huntsville. May God bless you and your family during this time.*

*With our Love*

*Don and Annelise Ahrens*

**Don & Annelise Ahrens** - May 29, 2009 at 04:52 PM

SC

“ Dear Sharon and family, We are so sorry for your lose. We wish that we could have been there for all of you. I know that it will be hard but, just remember you all have each other. Know that you are all in our hearts and prayers.

Love,  
Suzette & Tony

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**Suzette and Tony Corradi** - May 25, 2009 at 03:00 PM

CL

“ Dear Sharon,  
I am so very sorry to hear about Tom. My heart and my prayers are with you and your family. May God bless you and sustain you in this time of sorrow. Love, Clara Lewis

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**Clara Lewis** - May 24, 2009 at 09:54 PM

EG

“ Dear Sharon & family,  
This was way too soon it seems. Tom is one that touched many hearts and will leave a big void in their lives. His work on this earth hopefully will be picked up by another great humanitarian. Only God know who that will be. I wasn't able to be around him much, but I always wished I could have. He was always an "upper" for whoever he was around. Perhaps I can be greeted by him someday. I only hope so.  
May God give each and every one of you the strength you need to come through this great loss.

We are holding you in our hearts and prayers.

Love to all,  
Ed and Myrna

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**Ed and Myrna Graham** - May 24, 2009 at 05:11 PM

RL

“ Dear Harts! All of you and especially a hug for you Sharon. We know God has received one of the best angels. He will look after all of us.  
Our hearts go out to you. We love you.  
Jody and Ross.

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**Ross and Jody Lovell** - May 24, 2009 at 05:02 PM

DS

“ Dear Sharon,  
  
Our hearts are saddened by Tom's passing and we send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. We know that in the midst of your sorrow your faith will sustain you as it has these many months. In Christian love, Doyle and Carolyn

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**Doyle and Carolyn Simpson** - May 24, 2009 at 02:49 PM

SG

“ Sharon,

*We wish we could be there with you and the family but we can't so we are offering our condolences long distance. Very hard, we loved Tom very much. He was a great human being. He was a role model for all of us to live by. When that terrible day came that he was diagnosed with cancer we shuddered to fear what lies ahead for him. But he kept his faith and made it through whatever he had to do to fight the disease. Sometimes the question is asked why and there is no answer to the question other than it brings family and friends closer. The patient is only the tool to bring people to God. I know Tom's death will leave a considerable hole in your family. I know you will find a way to sort out all the pieces and make it all whole again. You have your faith and Tom's strength to guide you through this difficult time. Life didn't end for you and your family on May 22. It didn't just stop. It paused for a little bit, and it changed. And it went on to a different path.*

*We are with you in spirit, and God's healing grace will get you through this difficult time. Tom will be sadly missed. As all the loved ones who have left this earth way to soon.*

*Your loving cousins in Indiana,  
Sheila and Michael*

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**Sheila and Michael Gray** - May 24, 2009 at 09:09 AM

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GG

“ Dear Sharon and Family, What a shock to see the notice of Tom's passing. As you deal with this loss, I know you are rejoicing in his new heavenly existence with the Saviour. May God's blessing be with you through these days.

*Greg and Dani*

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**Greg and Dani Gathright** - May 23, 2009 at 12:13 PM