



Thomas Michael Schwartz

September 30, 1947 - December 25, 2020

Thomas Michael Schwartz, age 73, passed on Christmas Day 2020. He was born on September 30th, 1947, in Omaha, Nebraska to parents Henry and Agnes Hana Schwartz. He was a Vietnam Navy Veteran serving on the USS Ranger. After exiting the Navy, he married the woman of his dreams, Ann Stratman Schwartz, in 1970. He additionally served two years in the US Army Reserves in the mid to late 1970s. Tom honorably served as a Police Officer for over 27 years with the Omaha Police Department. Upon retirement in 1997, he and Ann moved around every couple years: to Grove, Oklahoma; Corpus Christi, Texas; The Villages, Florida; and Hamilton, Georgia. He then finally settled in Montgomery, Texas in 2008 where he lived until he passed.

Tom was a devoted and loving Husband, Father, Brother, Uncle, and Friend to All. In 2014, Tom and Ann took the trip of their dreams to Israel to “walk in Jesus’ footsteps” - renewing their wedding vows in the Holy Land. This trip brought both of them closer to each other and strengthened their relationship with Christ. This last year, Tom often stated that he had achieved the greatest accomplishment of his life - being married to his soulmate Ann for 50 years, and then renewing their vows once again in front of loved ones.

He loved spending his free time with Grandchildren and volunteering his time with his church family at St Mary’s Catholic Church in Plantersville, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his little brother, Mark Schwartz; his sister-in-law, Francis Stratman White; and brothers-in-law, Raymond Patrick White and Ronald Paul Migis.

He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Ann Stratman Schwartz; 2 daughters and their husbands, Eric & Mindy Weber and Matt & Missy King; 6 talented grandchildren, Thomas, Clara, Alex, Gabi, Crisi, and Jonah; 6 siblings, Rich, Kathy & Leonard, Lois & Denny, Joanie & Flo, Hank & Tec, and Jim; Brother/Sisters-in-Laws, Mary Jane, Jack, and Joanie; and numerous close nieces & nephews who he loved as his own.

A Visitation will be at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, December 30th at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Plantersville, Texas. A Memorial Mass will be held immediately following, beginning at 11:30 AM. A luncheon will be provided following the Mass. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Tom's name to St. Jude's.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Plantersville, TX 77363

Memorial Mass

DEC 30. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Plantersville, TX 77363

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Michael Schwartz*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Tom, my sympathy to the entire family. Tom and I grew up together in South Omaha, we attended St. Rose grade school together and had many great times growing up. Ed Remar*

Ed Remar - January 01, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ *Tom and i were shocked to read of Tom's passing. Ann, you and the girls and families, have our profound sympathy. Tom remembers Tom with great affection. Being childhood neighbors in South Omaha, along with the Shanahans, Remars, Yambers, Sinnott's and the Schwartz. Many memories have been shared over the years. Sounds like a memorable childhood and youth and adulthood of friendship. Sending love and prayers !! Linnea and Tom Sinnott*

Linnea and Tom Sinnott - January 01, 2021 at 04:46 PM



“ *Tom, Ann and family were neighbors of mine for many years. Tom was know by my youngest daughter as the cookie man, as he always had cookies to give her when she went to visit. We have really missed them in the neighborhood but agree he was a wonderful man. Sally McElroy*

Sally Ann McElroy - December 29, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael Schwartz.*



December 28, 2020 at 08:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael Schwartz.*



December 28, 2020 at 08:26 PM



“ *From Carzell & Sheron C. Middleton & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas Michael Schwartz.*



From Carzell & Sheron C. Middleton & Family - December 28, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael Schwartz.*



December 28, 2020 at 05:34 PM

RD

“ One of Will Rogers sayings was, "A stranger is a friend I haven't met yet". That fit Tom to a T. With his boyish grin and soft spoken voice, Tom could rope you into about anything. At least it did for us and especially me. It had been less than a year since we joined St. Mary's, that Tom had us working the rummage sale. Boy was I in for a surprise. I thought it would be a half dozen tables and some clothes and other stuff, then out comes furniture, clothing, kitchen items, sports equipment, Knick knacks, bedding, pillows, electronics and the list goes on. Tom and Ann didn't fool around. THIS WAS BIG. So we now work the rummage sale. Wasn't to much later, Tom asked me to be a Sacristan, which I could not say no to, then drafted Diane and me to serve on the Cemetery Association, then later he asked me to become an Acolyte. If Tom had lived any longer, I probably would become a priest. Ha!.

I truly believe God put Tom and Ann at St. Mary's to make Tom a Fisher of Men. By his leadership, example, love of God and Country, he helped made our Parish a better community. In our short 5 years we have been here, Tom and Ann became dear friends. Always ready to share a glass of wine or beer, a good story, and always a good laugh or two.

I would always call him St. Thomas, because in my heart, he was a saint. To say we will miss Tom is an understatement. He was our friend and we cherished the time we spent with him. Tom don't forget to pray for us in heaven. As we let Tom go back to his Creator, May the Perpetual Light shine upon him always.

Your friend in Christ - Bob and Diane Daves

Robert (Bob) Daves - December 28, 2020 at 05:20 PM

JS

“ Tom and I were good friends back in Omaha when we were both in high school and college.

One of my fondest memories was when he was in the Navy on the USS Ranger and I was in the Air Force stationed in California. His ship was scheduled to dock in San Francisco and we agreed to meet there.

We spent the weekend together driving to Reno, Nevada and doing some gambling.

That was the last time I saw Tom. I now live in Austin, Texas. That is not far from Montgomery. I wish that I had known he was living there. I hope that I would have tried to contact him.

RIP

Joe Shanahan - December 28, 2020 at 05:14 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael Schwartz.



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