



LTC Tommy Lee Atwell

May 10, 1945 - May 2, 2016

LTC Tommy Lee Atwell, 70, of Danville, VA died on Monday, May 2, 2016 at Danville Regional Medical Center, after being in declining health for the past several years.

Tommy was born in Groseclose, VA on May 10, 1945, son of the late Sidney T. Atwell and Olivene Gillespie Atwell, who survives. He was a proud American Veteran who served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, and retired from the U.S. Army Reserves as a LTC. He later retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company. He was a member of the American Legion Dan River Post 1097 and he was of the Methodist faith.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his loving wife, Marilou Hardy Atwell of the residence; son, Shaun Atwell of Norman, OK; daughters, Jennifer Martin and husband Dwayne of Danville, VA and Amanda Furr and husband Michael of Dry Fork, VA; brothers, Ronnie Atwell and wife Marty and Jeff Atwell and wife Judy all of Rural Retreat, VA; and grandchildren, Dakota Furr, Desireè Carothers, Kalie Carothers, Zandra Martin, Emily Furr, Leah Martin, Lilly Furr, and Chloe Furr.

Tommy was a beloved and kind husband, father, and papa who loved his family and found humor in everyday life. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel with Mr. George Williams officiating. Military honors will be conducted by the American Legion Dan River Post 1097. Interment will follow at a later date in Arlington National Cemetery.

The family will receive friends prior to the service from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests that memorial donations be made to the American Legion Dan River Post 1097.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Atwell family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 6. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DH

“ I am so sorry to learn of your loss. May your many shared family memories bring you comfort. The scriptures remind us that Almighty God is close to those who grieve; "...He saves those who are crushed in spirit." (Psalm 34:18) My sincerest condolences to all of you.

Dana H. - June 16, 2016 at 11:03 AM

LJ

“ Tom was a true gentleman to work with in Lawton and Danville. As a Goodyear Associate he is what made GY great. Prays to the family. Larry P. Jamison

larry Jamison - May 10, 2016 at 02:42 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Atwell and their family. It was a pleasure to work with Tom who always treated me with respect and kindness. He will be remembered.

Sallie Kerchee Tonips

Goodyear - Lawton

Oklahoma

Sallie Kerchee Tonips - May 09, 2016 at 02:29 PM

DS

I had the pleasure to work with Tom in Lawton Oklahoma. He was always honest and fair with those he worked with. I am saddened to hear of his passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.

Donnie Sloan

Donald Sloan - May 09, 2016 at 02:48 PM

LB

“ Our deepest sympathy to Tommy's family. Dean and Lucy Blevins, class of 63.

Lucille Blevins - May 08, 2016 at 05:57 PM

JA

“ Judith A. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of LTC Tommy Lee Atwell.



Judith A. - May 06, 2016 at 10:19 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of LTC Tommy Lee Atwell.



May 06, 2016 at 09:46 AM

DC

“ I've not seen Tommy since we graduated. I always knew he would be successful, such a caring, good guy. We rode the bus together for years and we both survived the wild and winding rides in the back roads in the country. I'm so sorry that he has been in ill health, but, I'm sure he's at rest in God's arms. Be comforted that you have had the time with Tommy & the time to come with in God's time. You are in my prayers.

Doris Beverly Cuthrell - May 06, 2016 at 01:19 AM

AS

“ Loved when he came in to visit. He will be missed. Prayers to all family and friends. In memory of LTC (uncle) Tommy Atwell. ❤️🇺🇸
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Angela Sutherland-Lamie - May 05, 2016 at 06:37 PM

JB

“ Remembering so many wonderful, fun times with Tommy serving together in the 4003rd Army Garrison, Ardmore, Oklahoma City. Especially, the Officers Club at Ft Chaffee where I could never beat him playing "Ship, Captain, Crew." Always smiling, always caring. Just a week ago he wrote to see if I was OK with the Texas Floods. I feel empty. So much I wish I could be with Marilou and family right now. He so dearly loved you all.

Jerry Bayless, Maj, (USAR, Ret)

Jerry Bayless - May 05, 2016 at 03:18 PM

KE

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family, Tom was a great guy and will be missed by all that knew him. Kent Eanes



Kent Eanes - May 05, 2016 at 08:31 AM

MP

“ Haven't seen Tommy in a while, but we played some golf together in the past. Even took a trip to Ft. Bragg to play one time. He was a fine man, and a good friend. He will be missed. My prayers go out to his family. I just recently toured Arlington. He will be laid to rest in a most beautiful place.

Mike Purnell - May 05, 2016 at 08:02 AM

LB

“ Prayers for Marion and family. You all are in my thoughts and prayers!



Lisa Baynes - May 04, 2016 at 08:53 PM

JD

“ Prayers for the family of Tommy Atwell. Jean Owens Dishner, Class of 1963 MSHS



Jean Owens Dishner - May 04, 2016 at 01:03 PM

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“ Anna Kinser Miki, Class Of 1963 lit a candle in memory of LTC Tommy Lee Atwell



Anna Kinser Miki, Class of 1963 - May 04, 2016 at 11:17 AM

M1

“MSHS Class Of 1963 lit a candle in memory of LTC Tommy Lee Atwell



MSHS Class of 1963 - May 04, 2016 at 07:04 AM

CI

“Cheryl Isom lit a candle in memory of LTC Tommy Lee Atwell



Cheryl Isom - May 03, 2016 at 08:30 PM