



Thomas M. Sanford

June 23, 2015

NORFOLK -- Celebration of Life Service for Tom Sanford, formerly of Norfolk, will be at 10:30 a.m., Friday, July 3, 2015 at the Stonacek Funeral Chapel in Norfolk with Deacon Terry Price Officiating. Inurnment will take place at the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Mapleton, IA. Visitation will be held 4:00-7:00 p.m., Thursday, July 2, 2015 with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m. also at the Funeral Home. Tom Sanford passed away in the home that he loved in Las Vegas, Nevada, on Tuesday evening, June 23, 2015, at the age of 64 years. Previously, Tom lived in Norfolk, Nebraska, from 1976 until he retired in 2013, and moved to Las Vegas.

Tom was born in April, 1951 in Mapleton, Iowa to Tom and Elsie Sanford. He graduated from Maple Valley High School in Mapleton, Iowa, in May, 1970. He was a member of the Iowa Army National Guard based in Mapleton, from 1970 to 1976 and the Nebraska Army National Guard from 1976 to 1982. After completing basic training in 1970, Tom worked for Marvin Taylor at the Randolph Times. After his marriage to Sharon in 1972, he and Sharon moved to Mapleton, Iowa, where he worked for Wilson Trailer and Kueny Electric. He then moved to Norfolk in 1976 and started working for the 3M Company which was bought out by Arnold Engineering. He retired from Arnolds in June, 2013. Tom also worked part-time for Moran Printing and Marathon Press in Norfolk. Before moving to Las Vegas, Sharon was employed by Albin Law Office in Norfolk.

He is survived by the love of his life, Sharon, and two sons, Dale Sanford of

Loveland, Colorado and Heath Sanford of Las Vegas, Nevada, and his parents, Tom and Elsie Sanford of Mapleton, Iowa, two brothers, Jerry (Rosie) Sanford of Sioux City, Iowa, Larry (Tammy) Sanford of Bronson, Iowa, and a sister, Alice (Larry) Kluver of Mapleton, Iowa, as well as Sharon's family, Jerry (Kay) Wattier of Hoskins, Nebraska, Russell (Lela) Wattier, Ellen (Richard) Bermel and Francis (Susie) Wattier, all of Randolph, Nebraska, Mila (Gary) Anderson of Coleridge, Nebraska, and Kenneth (Bonnie) Wattier of Randolph, Nebraska, and four granddaughters: Justina Miller, Brittni Mosel, Riley Dohren and Breanna Hallock. Tom was preceded in death by his younger brother, Robert Sanford of Boise, Idaho in June, 2011.

Condolences may be expressed to the family on-line at www.stonacekfuneralchapel.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stonacek Funeral Chapel - Norfolk
1200 N.13th St.
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Rosary

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Service

JUL 3. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas M. Sanford*

October 05, 2023 at 03:46 AM



“ *Tom was always fun to work with. He loved to laugh and have a good time. He sure made working at 3M more enjoyable. I always accused him of being a workaholic. Back then he worked at Marathon and 3M company. There was no one who could run the sanding operation better than Tom. He did a lot of touch up work, which is nothing more than correcting others lack of attention to detail. I haven't had the pleasure to see or talk to Tom sense his move to Vegas , but be assured, we will miss him. Sharon we are so very sorry for your loss.*

Vince and Kathy Lewis

Vince - July 06, 2015 at 05:34 PM



“ *Many memories with working with Tom at Marathon as on Saturdays when we worked we always meet at Stocky's for breakfast. We also watch a lot of Big Red games together throwing down a couple of Red ones at the Fifth. Also all the good times we had at Kanhackit!!!! Sharon, Dale and Heath we are truly sorry for your loss.*

Teri & Stub

steve wells - July 02, 2015 at 06:28 PM

DB

“ So sorry for you loss Sharon we have such fond memories of ****Sanford**** as we spent a lot of time together in Christians garage. Our deepest sympathy to you and your family and May God Bless you All.

Dan and Nancy

Dan Baer - July 01, 2015 at 07:27 AM

AL

“ Back when Tom & Sharon lived in Mapleton on Friday nights they would come to our house and played cards or aggravation. Remember the bankboard, Sharon? Another couple would also come. We had too many kids to cart around so they would come to our house and we always had a wonderful time.

Alice and Larry

Alice - June 30, 2015 at 01:42 PM

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“ 2 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Sharon Sanford - June 29, 2015 at 01:18 PM

LS

“ LOVE LYLE, SUSIE, LEN, MYRON, AND SALLY purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Thomas M. Sanford.



LOVE LYLE, SUSIE, LEN, MYRON, AND SALLY - June 29, 2015 at 12:25 PM

SS

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



Sharon Sanford - June 29, 2015 at 10:18 AM

GM

“ Tom loved to play cards. One night, while playing 10 pt pitch at their house in Woodland Park in Norfolk, someone threw away a counter card. There was a scramble for the card. We don't remember who got it, but remember after the scramble, there were several of us (adults) on the floor - including Tom - along with the wall clock and upset chairs. Oh such fun!

Gary & Mila - June 28, 2015 at 11:39 AM

GM

“ In 1974, we went on a fishing trip with Tom & Sharon. While travelling, Tom reached in the back seat & "stole" 3 yr old Sonya's nose and threw it out the window. Oh, how she cried. Tom reached out the window, caught her nose, put it back on her face, and she was then contented. A couple days later - when we were at a motel in Sioux Falls, Sonya fell in the swimming pool and Tom saved her.

Gary & Mila - June 28, 2015 at 11:28 AM