



Hal Thomas "Tom" Sanders, Jr.

March 9, 1945 - September 16, 2023

Visitation services for Hal Thomas Sanders, Jr. "Tom", of Flint, will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Stewart Family Funeral Home in Tyler.

Tom passed away Saturday, September 16, 2023, in Tyler at the age of 78. He was born March 9, 1945 in Hope, Arkansas to Hal Thomas Sanders and Margaret Eloise Hubbard Sanders as an only child.

Tom graduated from Stephen F. Austin in 1968 and then joined the United States Marine Corps, where he served in the reserves from 1968 to 1974. In 1973, he started his career as a United States Probation Officer, eventually becoming the Deputy Chief of the Eastern District of Texas. In 2004, he retired after 31 years of service. In retirement he enjoyed spending time with his family at the farm, hunting, fishing, gardening, and traveling with his wife. He was a grandfather of four grandchildren who lovingly called him "Pops." Tom was a member of Green Acres Baptist Church, serving on the safety/security team and volunteered for the prison ministry.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his loving family, including his wife of 53 years, Jean Sanders of Flint; sons, Ben Sanders and wife, Audrey of Lindale, and Luke Sanders of Golden; grandchildren, Barrett, Abigail, Hal, and Zeb Sanders.

Tom was a great husband, father, grandfather, friend, civil servant, and most importantly, a man of great faith. The family will gather for a celebration of his life at their family farm. May he rest in peace.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **20**. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Hal Thomas "Tom" Sanders, Jr.



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“ Our deepest sympathies for your loss and our fraternity brother.

Mickey and Bobbie Jean Smith

Mickey Smith - September 20, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Hal Thomas "Tom" Sanders, Jr..



September 18, 2023 at 05:19 PM



“ 83 files added to the album Life Tributes



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“ Tommy was a great Sig brother to me and many others at SFA plus Delta Sigma Phi
Gary Nagel

Gary - September 18, 2023 at 11:54 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Hal Thomas "Tom" Sanders, Jr..

September 18, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Hal Thomas "Tom" Sanders, Jr..



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