



Thomas (Tom) W. Rhoton

SEP 12, 1946 - JAN 4, 2015



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Thomas (Tom) W. Rhoton, 68
Rhoton Construction Group

Thomas (Tom) W. Rhoton, 68, entered his eternal rest, January 4, 2015 in Lakeland, FL., due to heart failure.

President of Rhoton Construction Group, Inc., co-owned with his wife Patsy, was presently building facilities on the Bakken in North Dakota. Prior to moving his operations to North Dakota, he was owner of Cattlemen's Construction Company of Lakeland, FL. Tom, built many feed lots, test facilities, for the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL. and Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. Tom was a consultant in many countries around the world helping to improve their livestock facilities and plants.

He was an avid supporter of Polk County 4-H and FFA. As an advocate for children, he supported many in their livestock projects; he contributed to raising more children that we could ever count, backing many in their livestock projects.

Tom was born September 12, 1946 in Winslow, Arizona to Ross D. and Patricia J. (Sughrue) Rhoton. Tom's young life was spent on the cattle and sheep ranch owned by his dad in Cottonwood, AZ. He was active in the Arizona National Guard for 6 years before leaving with a rank of Sgt. E5. Tom also attended Arizona State University.

Tom is survived by his wife Patsy A. Rhoton, daughters: Tiffany (Tony) Walling, Lakeland, FL., and Janelle Rhoton (Gus) Lundin, Glenwood Springs, CO. and son: Clinton Rhoton of Plant City, FL. Grandchildren: Tristen and Trace Walling. Sisters: PattiJo (Ken) Barberick, Ft. Collins, CO. and Sue Ann (Rick) Mabery, Prescott, AZ. He was predeceased by son, Herman (Hoss) Rhoton, parents Ross and Patricia Rhoton.

A visitation will be held Friday, January 09, 2015 from 6-8 pm at Gentry-Morrison



Obituary

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Funeral Home Southside Chapel, 1727 Bartow Rd. A funeral service will be conducted on Saturday, 11 am, at the funeral home chapel. Interment will follow at Oak Hill Burial Park.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Leaders for Education in Agriculture, 1000 College Road, Warner, OK. 74464



Events

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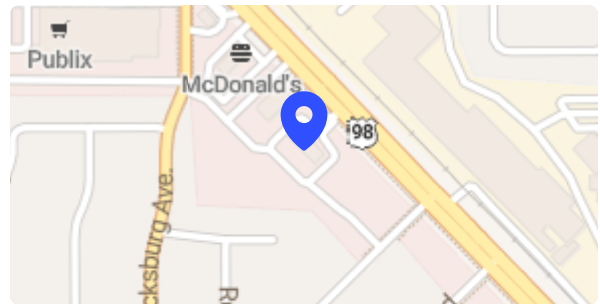
Visitation

 **Friday**, January 9, 2015

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel**

1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland FL 33801



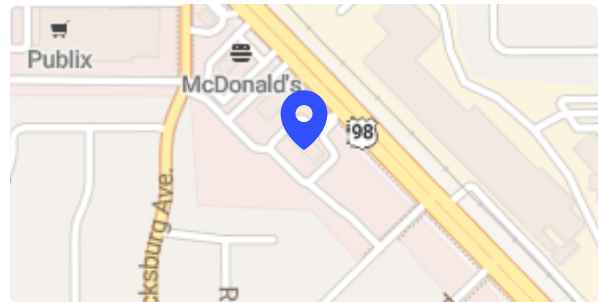
Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, January 10, 2015

 11:00 AM ET

 **Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel**

1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland FL 33801





Tribute Wall

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Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes shared a **Tribute Video**.



January 9 at 10:12 AM

MY

Melody Yarcho posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Tom had such a great sense of humor and was so big hearted! He will be missed by all who knew him! Melody Yarcho

January 7 at 9:27 AM

SB

Spike Bywater posted:

Patsy, We were very touched by Tom's passing. Because we will be out of town, we won't be able to attend the viewing or funeral. I have many fond memories of Tom from his preparation of his own contracts to the visits that you all made to our house with lamb gifts. He was truly a neat person and will be missed. You are definitely in our thoughts. Spike and Becky

January 7 at 7:05 AM

MT

Macon Tomlinson posted:

Tom always had that western adventurous spirit. You could always count on him to carry through and get the job done. He was a valued colleague and friend. I know that you will miss him dearly. Your family is in our thoughts. Macon and Patty Tomlinson

January 7 at 5:51 AM

DP

Deborah Pennewell lit a candle in honor of Thomas .

I am so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Deborah Pennewell



January 7 at 4:14 AM



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Kim Martin lit a candle in honor of Thomas .

Condolences to Tiffany & her family. Prayers for healing on your tremendous loss.

Kim Martin

January 7 at 3:01 AM





Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Thomas by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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