



Thomas C Biddle

May 17, 1943 - October 6, 2023

In Loving Memory: Thomas "TC" Biddle (May 17, 1943 - October 6, 2023)

Thomas "TC" Biddle, born on May 17, 1943, in Youngstown, Ohio, peacefully departed this life on October 6, 2023, at Cornerstone Hospice in Tavares, Florida. He is survived by his wife, Leonora; his sister, Barbara Hall; his step-brother, Ray Toney; his nephew, Rob West, and niece, Lisa Shapiro.

He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Biddle; his mother, Frances Toney; his brothers, Jack, Robert, and Charles III; and his sister, Janice.

Throughout his lifetime, TC dedicated himself wholeheartedly to serving his nation and community. As a valiant combat veteran of the Vietnam War, he proudly served in the US Army 173rd Airborne. Following his distinguished military service, TC embarked on a career as a boat captain, navigating the waters of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, aboard the Jungle Queen and the America, renowned as the World's Largest Catamaran from the Port of Miami.

Subsequently, he transitioned to a career in law enforcement, serving with honor in the Florida Department of Corrections, Metro Dade Department of Corrections, and the Miami Dade Schools Police. TC's commitment to service extended to his volunteer work with unwavering dedication for The Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Team, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, The American

Legion, and the Moose Lodge. In 2003, TC retired from the Miami Dade Schools police, culminating a fulfilling career of unending service.

As a proud veteran, TC assumed various leadership roles within The American Legion, progressing from local Post offices to the positions of Commander of Post 219, 6th District Commander, Law and Order Chair, Eastern Area Commander for the Department of Florida, and served on the National Security Council. His unwavering dedication and 32 years of membership was recognized when he was named Legionnaire of the Year for Post 347 in 2017-2018. At the time of his passing, TC was faithfully serving as the Assistant Judge Advocate for American Legion Post 347 in Lady Lake, Florida, an esteemed distinction within the largest American Legion Post in the world.

Thomas "TC" Biddle's enduring legacy of service, camaraderie, and resolute commitment to his country and community will forever be cherished and remembered by all fortunate enough to have known him. He stood as a remarkable friend and mentor, offering a helping hand in times of need and embodying resilience and bravery throughout his life's journey.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to either Cornerstone Hospice Foundation, 2445 Lane Park Rd., Tavares, FL 32778 or Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2631 Hylan Blvd. Staten Island, NY.10306 in memory of Thomas "TC" Biddle.

The committal service will be held on Friday, October 27, 2023 at 11:00 AM at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida with full Military Honors from American Legion Post 347 in Lady Lake. A Celebration of Life will be held following the service at American Legion Post 347, 699 W. Lady Lake Blvd., Lady Lake, FL

Family and friends will be gathering at the post at 9:30 AM on Friday to process down to the cemetery.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Florida National Cemetery
6502 SW 102nd Avenue
Bushnell, FL 33513

Meet at American Legion at 9:30AM. Legion Riders Post 347

Tribute Wall



“ *Uncle Tom had a knack for talking me out of the simplest shots when playing pool. He would come over and start talking about the shadows, lighting, and how the air quality might not be the best, and the next thing I knew, I was missing a shot from a foot away. I will miss your humor, but most of all I will miss you picking on me even though I was thirty years your senior. Love you and miss you Uncle Tom. :) Nicolas Wallace*

Nicolas Wallace - October 17, 2023 at 11:52 AM

LB

Nic, Thank you for sharing a memory of Tom. He enjoyed shooting pool with both you and Nathan.

Leonora Biddle - November 09, 2023 at 11:23 AM

MC

“ *Worked with TC for several years at the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department. He was a police instructor and very respected. Extremely proud of his military service and his country. Rest in peace my brother.*

Mr. Raul Correa - October 13, 2023 at 07:57 PM

J.

THE BEST NEIGHBOR ...I HAVE IN MY LIFE...ME & MY WIFE WILL MISS HIM LOT...LOVE YOU...🙏

J.R. - October 26, 2023 at 06:18 PM

LB

J.R., Thank you for the kind words.

Leonora Biddle - November 09, 2023 at 11:25 AM

LB

Raul, Thank you for sharing your memories of Tom. He was very proud of his time in Law Enforcement.

Leonora Biddle - November 09, 2023 at 11:26 AM

GO

I like to share and express my sincere condolences to the Biddle Family. He was my TA and sergeant for brief spell. He was a nice man and we shared our love for the Army as proud veterans. I like the time I introduce him to the game of Golf. Rest well soldier, your friend, Sergeant Gil Ochoa

Gylmar Ochoa - November 12, 2023 at 11:20 AM

LB

Thank you for your condolences and sharing your memories of Tom.

Leonora Biddle - February 11, 2024 at 11:01 AM

LS

“ *The best uncle ever great man*

Lisa Shapiro - October 11, 2023 at 09:02 AM

TM

Sgt. TC as we at M-Dade Schools Police respectively addressed him...He was surely a piece of my life's puzzle..My heartfelt Condolences to the family and friends...I Salute your life and legacy Sgt TC...Job well 🙏 Thurman MacNeal

Thurman MacNeal - October 13, 2023 at 08:07 PM

JH

Had the Opportunity to work with Tom (TC) at the Miami Dade Schools Police Department for many years. He was well respected and a great leadership asset to our team. He was always super reliable, military sharp and well respected. Rest in peace great man.

John Hunkiar - November 02, 2023 at 08:34 PM