



## Thomas William Hall

October 17, 1944 - July 7, 2022

Thomas Hall passed away peacefully on July 6th at home in The Villages, Florida with his wife of 55 years by his side. Born in Watertown, New York to Wendall and Margaret Hall. Tom was one of seven children with three brothers and three sisters.

He moved to Boynton Beach, Florida at age 8 where he met his future wife, Jodi, in junior high school. After graduating from Seacrest High School in Delray Beach in 1964, Tom attended Palm Beach Junior College and RHETS School of Electronics. He would go on to have several patents for inventions.

Tom and Jodi wed in 1967 and moved to Pompano Beach, Florida where Tom worked for Bendix Avionics. After earning his U.S. Coast Guard 500-ton license in 1969, he took control of his first drift fishing boat in 1974. Soon after he and Jodi purchased property that became the Fish City Marina and built the Fish City Pride. This was followed with the purchase of the Helen S Drift fishing fleet in Pompano Beach.

Known by all as “Captain Tom”, he was in or near the water all of his life. He was a self-made man with a gentle nature, quite intelligence, and generous heart. He loved people and enjoyed life surrounded by family, friends, and new acquaintances. His workshop was the center of gatherings.

He operated the Helen S VI throughout the Bahama Islands for over 25 years. In 2008 they sold the fishing operations and began a new life, spending summers at the Hall Compound on the St. Lawrence River in Cape Vincent, New York, and winters on board their vessel, Precious Lady, in the Bahamas. They maintained their home in Lighthouse Point, Florida until moving to The Villages in 2015.

Tom and Jodi enjoyed their rental properties, commercial and residential, investing in warehouses, a bar and restaurant, and numerous homes in South Florida and The Villages. He shared his good fortune and kind nature by also investing in the people. He enjoyed working in The Villages Community Garden, exploring the lakes and rivers in Lake County, and continuing his hobby of wood carving. He created a bird sanctuary in his backyard.

Thomas Hall is survived by his wife, Jodi Hall, his siblings, John Hall of Tennessee, Nancy Garnsey and Judi Andrews, both from Florida, Wendy Bensol of New York, and Bark Garnsey of North Carolina. He leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins, along with hundreds of others who called him "friend".

A celebration of life will be held next summer at the family compound in Cape Vincent, New York.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Lady Lake, Florida. Online remembrances may be made at [www.beyersfuneralhome.com](http://www.beyersfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

FJ

“ Dear Jodi  
Tom’s parents and mine were best friends from the early 1940’s. While we saw one another only rarely after the Halls permanent move to Florida, I always felt a kinship with Tom and his sisters and brothers. I regret that we were not able to spend time together and get to know one another on a more sustainable basis. He was most certainly a man of accomplishment !

*Fred Jackson*

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**fred jackson** - July 20, 2022 at 09:07 PM

KA

“ John and I are saddened to hear of Tom's passing. He was a wonderful, kind man who always enjoyed getting together for cocktails:) He will be missed by all of his Florida friends. Our condolences, Kathy and John Alden

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**Kathy Alden** - July 14, 2022 at 03:00 PM

JS

“ Dear Jodi,  
I am so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. It has brought to my mind the time I was dressed as Pinocchio up on the mast of the Helen S in the Ft. Lauderdale Christmas Boat parade and all of the parties at Wade and Ginger's house. We had such good times together and many fond memories. Please accept my sincere sympathy.  
*Judy Safewright*

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**Judy Safewright** - July 12, 2022 at 11:38 PM

DR

“ Dear Jodi:  
When I heard about Tom's illness from Pat Ricci....the memories came flooding back.  
Toms kindness and generous nature were his “Hallmarks”...no pun intended.  
I still have a carving he made for me and the little ship in the bottle.  
Although we haven't been together for sometime his memory is fresh in my mind.  
You and he are remembered as loving friends and we shared much fun and laughter!  
God Bless you in this time grief.  
Tom was a “one of a kind” indeed.  
Dennis

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Dennis Rhodes - July 11, 2022 at 09:08 AM

TK

“ Dear Jodi - Our hearts are heavy after learning about Tom. May God wrap his loving arms around you & hold you close. RIP Captain Tom.  
Rhonda & Martin Kristula

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The Kristula's - July 10, 2022 at 11:13 AM

TK

“ The Kristula's lit a candle in memory of Thomas William Hall



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The Kristula's - July 10, 2022 at 11:09 AM

JF

“ *Memory is a window through which we can  
always see you  
You stay in our hearts forever  
Love Jamie & Sigrid*



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**Jamie & Sigrid Flaherty** - July 09, 2022 at 12:18 PM