



Thomas Lawrence Ryefield

June 2, 1948 - February 7, 2025

Thomas Lawrence Ryefield, 76, of Jacksonville Beach, FL, passed away peacefully on February 7, 2025. Born on June 2, 1948, in Jacksonville Beach, Tom was the son of Lawrence Arthur Ryefield and Ardis Jeanne Ryefield. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Dave Ryefield (Debbie Ryefield). Tom is survived by his stepfather Walt Ritter, his sisters, Laura Puls (Joe Puls) and Lisa Bourgon (Robert Bourgon), as well as his son, Lawrence Arther Ryefield II (Soo Jin). He was a proud grandfather to his grandchildren, Ava and Mason. Tom's first wife was Julie Patterson, and his second wife was Cheryl Ryefield.

A graduate of Mona Shores High School in Muskegon, MI, Tom went on to earn his degree from Michigan State University. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force and dedicated over 37 years of his life to the Department of Defense, where he made a lasting impact through his service and commitment to the nation. Tom was an avid sports fan, and he was devoted to the Detroit Tigers, Detroit Lions and his alma mater Michigan State. Tom served as a Mentor for the Muskegon County Veterans Treatment Court. He loved classic rock and spending his summers on Lake Michigan.

A private service will be held to honor Tom's life and legacy. The family requests that any memorial contributions be made to Together We Care: <https://www.togetherwecarega.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ *The family is in my prayers. I remember Tom from work and at play - skiing and other activities.*

Pam Troutman - February 20, 2025 at 10:40 AM

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“ *Tom has been a great friend through the years and I will cherish all the laughs and good times. He was always up for a Scrabble challenge, country drive, or vaca anywhere. He was most proud of his son Larry and elated with the birth of his grand twinkies. My prayers for comfort go out to his family and friends. 🙏*

Linda Kuschel - February 18, 2025 at 12:47 PM