Thomas David Meeks of McKinney, Texas passed away March 21, 2021 at the age of 78. He was born on March 19, 1943 to Homer Harold Meeks and Helen (Cvitkovich) Meeks in East Chicago, Indiana. Tom was a 1960 graduate of Washington High School in East Chicago and earned his bachelor’s degree in mathematics from The University of Chattanooga in 1964 where he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. In grade school, Tom met the love of his life, Marilynn Swalick, and they married on August 27, 1966 in Hammond, Indiana. He served his country proudly in the Indiana National Guard. Tom worked at Time Life, General Motors, and Electronic Data Systems (eds) where he was an IT technology executive responsible for delivery, transitions and transformations for multinational corporations. He retired from EDS in 2006.

Tom loved to golf during the week; he was a skilled woodworker, making custom pieces for his children and grandchildren, and he was a formidable opponent at the bridge table. He was a member of St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church in McKinney, Texas.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 54 years, Marilynn Meeks of McKinney, Texas; daughter, Beth Evans and husband, Phil of McKinney, Texas; son, Greg Meeks and wife, Monica of Houston, Texas; five grandchildren, Julianne Evans, Dylan Evans, Kyle Evans, Keely Meeks, and Thomas Meeks; sister, Aileen Balazs of Dyer, Indiana; and a host of other loving family members and friends. Thomas was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Helen Meeks and sister, Janet Morrow.

In support of our local, state, and federal govt including CDC directives and to protect the physical health, safety and well-being of our community, only a limited number of guests will be allowed to attend the Memorial Service.

A memorial service will be held at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, April 11, 2021 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home Chapel, 2525 Central Expressway North, Allen, Texas. The service will also be live streamed at TJMfuneral.com on Thomas’s obituary page by clicking on the following link: https://celebrationoflife.tv/blog/thomas-david-meeks. After the service, the recorded live stream will be available for viewing at the same link location.
However, when the maximum number of guests are reached, those who would like to honor Thomas and show their support to his family may remain at the funeral home in your vehicle, where you can watch the live streamed service on your personal device (laptop, tablet or smartphone).

Thomas will be inurned at 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 12, 2021 at Ridgeview Memorial Park in Allen.

Donations may be made to: Cancer Center Associates, 4201 Medical Center Dr. Suite 180, McKinney, TX 75069.

Memorials

Dear Marilyn, We cherish the times we had with you and Tom, especially New Orleans and Key West. Tom was a special man and we send you and the family our condolences. Lew and Trudy

TRUDY AND LEW CRIPPEN, MAY 30, 2021

God bless Tom and all of his family and friends. Sincere condolences.

JAN CRAWFORD, APRIL 12, 2021

Dear Marilyn & Family, My deepest condolences for your loss. I worked with Tom on the Sabre deal and then on the account team. He was a true leader and taught me a great deal. His sincerity and mutual respect was a true gift. I've thought of Tom often over the years. He will long be remembered. May God bless. Mary Simpson

MARY SIMPSON, APRIL 11, 2021

My condolences to Tom’s family. He was my bridge partner and always had patience with me and my miss bids, always gracefully correcting my plays. I know he left many funny memories and will be missed by all of us. God bless Tom and his family. Regards, John Peters

JOHN PETERS, APRIL 11, 2021

My deepest sympathy Marilyn.. My memories of Tommy are very happy ones...he made all of us laugh. Treasure the beautiful memories you had together.. Wishing you peace and love.

LORETTA GESMOND, APRIL 7, 2021
Our deepest condolences to the whole family. We will always remember him and he will be definitely missed.

SHAHLA & BAHRAM KHATIBLOU, APRIL 7, 2021

I worked for Tom for probably close to 15 years. Tom taught me more about being a leader and a friend than I can ever explain. Tom was a stalwart friend through two of the toughest experiences of my life. I will be forever grateful for his friendship. Vaya con Dios, my friend. Dwight Miller

DWIGHT MILLER, APRIL 5, 2021

Tom was a very special friend who we shared many wonderful memories with. Our trips, dinners, talks, golf will be missed but never forgotten. We are thankful and blessed to have been part of his life. Our love to Marilyn and family.

RICK AND EILEEN TREDINNICK, APRIL 2, 2021

Tom was one of the founding members of my family’s Tee Up to CURE ALS golf tournament. His support, common-sense guidance, and all-around good nature meant the world to me. Tom led a "kick-the-dog's bottom" (inside joke) life. Will miss him greatly.

KATHY TAVANO, APRIL 1, 2021

I knew Tom in our Monday afternoon Duplicate Bridge group. He was a joy to play with as a partner as well as a friend. Our prayers go out to him as well as his wife Marilynn, and all of his family.. May he Rest In Peace.

ROBERT LACKEY, MARCH 30, 2021

So sorry to hear this, Tom was a good guy and I enjoyed working with him.

JERRY CAPUTO, MARCH 30, 2021

We know Tom from playing Bridge. Good friend and good guy, Tom will be missed.

JACK & JILL HARTEL, MARCH 29, 2021

Rest In Peace, Tom. You will be missed. I'm sorry that our little crafting plan did not come to fruition. God bless you and all of your family. Much love.

JAN AND JERRY CRAWFORD, MARCH 28, 2021

Deepest sympathies to Tommy's family and friends. Our family (Mihalich) from
151st & Melville) knew the Meeks in East Chicago Indiana. I was just talking about Tommy last week with my sisters recalling happy childhood memories.

MARY MARGARET MIHALICH, MARCH 28, 2021

Tom God Bless. You will be missed as a golfing, dinner, and vacation friend. Your passing away will be a loss for many family members and friends.

SUE AND GEORGE LUDWIG, MARCH 28, 2021

Tom and Marilynn played bridge in our couples bridge group and Tom played in our Monday men's bridge group, with Marilynn filling in when we needed a sub. He was a great bridge player and was fun to partner with, but tough to play against. We will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

DAVE & CYNDI THOMAS, MARCH 27, 2021

Enjoyed many spring golf trips with Tom. Hope you are hitting them straight my friend. RIP. Danny G

DANNY GROUNDS, MARCH 26, 2021

I was just talking about him yesterday to a mutual friend. I stated that when I knew Tom and talked with him, he always made me feel that I was the only one in the room. I always liked Tom a lot. RIP my friend.

TESS DYBEL, MARCH 26, 2021

I met Tom when I went to work for him at The Sabre account. He was my boss but I am forever grateful to be able to call Tom my friend. He had a larger than life voice, persona and heart. He and Marilynn were founding members of the ALS charity golf tournament. Their time, effort and support was evidence of a great friendship. He will be missed dearly but never forgotten. My prayers go out to Marilynn and family.

PAUL TAVANO, MARCH 25, 2021

Tom was an amazing leader, teacher and EDS advocate. He guided me and many others through the many challenges of Continental Airlines/SystemOne, CLIPC and BellSouth. I just couldn't say no to any new opportunity when Tom said it was right for me. RIP Boss. Keep making those fantasy football trades!

ARON CHARAD, MARCH 24, 2021

Tom was a fellow co-worker at EDS and a friend. I only worked closely with
Tom for about 6 or 7 years but we got to know each other very well. He and I had serious talks, many over a few beverages, about business, leadership and life. He was passionate about his family: Marilyn, the kids and grandkids - the most important things in life. He was a great man and somebody that I looked up to and will always remember. Rest in peace my friend.

TOM EGAN, MARCH 24, 2021

Uncle Tom, you will be greatly missed! I love you so very much! Thank you for always making me feel so special and so loved! You were the best uncle ever!

Love

Marianne

MARIANNE JUSCIK MINIER, MARCH 24, 2021

Marilyn and family, Breezie and I are so very sorry to learn of Tom’s passing. He was always bigger than life and available to anyone in need. We will not forget his friendship RIP, dear friend.

CAROL HAACK RAGUSA, MARCH 24, 2021

I first met Tom in 1991 in Doral Florida and instantly liked his easy going, non-pretentious leadership style. Tom was a master at making people feel at ease, valued and a part of a team. I worked for him in Charlotte, North Carolina and with him in Atlanta, Georgia and Birmingham, Alabama for many years where he was my mentor, my confident, my friend and eventually the best man at my wedding. We worked through many business crisis and partnered in presenting to many clients and work colleagues. And each time, Tom always handled himself as an extraordinary leader, a master of his craft, a class act and showed respect for each individual he encountered. When Tom and I socialized after work we shared a love for old cars and trucks, good food and craft beer. We shared many good times and lots of laughter together. Tom will be remembered for many things, but I will always remember him as my friend.

Sincerely,

Greg and Jackie France

GREG FRANCE, MARCH 23, 2021

Tom was a friend from our annual spring golf trips. He was a great guy.

Thoughts and prayers to his family. RIP my friend.

Eric Diss

ERIC DISS, MARCH 23, 2021
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