



Thomas Arthur Drews

February 22, 2018

Drews, Thomas Arthur,

Age 72 of Fridley, MN, passed away 2/22/18. Tom was born to the late Henry George and Roseline Isabel (Cossette) Drews. Loving father to daughter, Nicole (Matt) Davis and son, Kaleb Drews; Beloved papa to Gage Drews-Newman; dear brother to Henry (Karen) Drews, Mike (Chris) Drews and Victoria Cossette (Deb Sanchez); devoted uncle to many nieces and nephews. He loved his two dogs, Bella and Bruno. Tom graduated from Marshall HS, Mpls class of 1964 and served in the US Army. He worked for Nevens Cleaners for 34 years and the last year for Hallmark Cleaners. Tom was full of life and loved by many. He enjoyed spending time at his cabin on Round Lake in Wisconsin. Tom always had a story to share. His generosity knew no bounds nor did his boisterous laugh. Interment Fort Snelling.

Memorials are preferred to the family in lieu of flowers. Visitation 4-7 PM, Tuesday, 2/27; funeral service 11 AM Wednesday, 2/28, with visitation one hour prior at:

www.Washburn-McReavy.com

Hillside Chapel 612-781-1999

2610 – 19th Avenue NE, Mpls

Tribute Wall



“ *Dad - I love and miss you so much, my heart is just broken. Love Coley*

Nicole - March 08, 2018 at 07:23 PM



“ *Kay Pretti lit a candle in memory of Thomas Arthur Drews*



Kay Pretti - February 28, 2018 at 04:20 PM

KC

“*Tom Drews is a classmate of mine and had a very memorable sense of humor -- well, he was hilarious!*

Tom always added his own brand of fun to our class reunions. As a bit of background in Ancient History, I had the privilege of being Homecoming Queen for our class. So at the risk of being presumptuous, but just for a bit of fun and nostalgia, I brought the homecoming robe to our various class reunions over the years. And Tom -- being Tom -- picked up on the fun at our last class reunion, 50 years in 2014, and he dubbed himself "The Bearer of the Robe." He "humbly" followed me around with the robe, carrying it to a display spot, then eventually couldn't resist the temptation of draping it around himself for part of the evening. Tom being Tom. A few days before Tom's passing, another classmate and dear friend Janet Engstrom Vanseth contacted me with the following email. Jan always seems to be there at the right time, and I know has attended many bedsides and funerals over the years in her caring capacity at Washburn-McReavy.

"Hi Karlye: I saw Tom a few days ago and he has to have stomach surgery. He was wondering if maybe you could take care of him next week! He thought the white dress would be nice, but would love

the red robe! Told him I would pass the information on to you." Just another example of his amazing ability to be uplifting and humorous while being faced with an impending serious surgery. I am so sad to hear of his passing and, needless to say, our class reunions will never be the same without his fun spirit and infectious smile.

Sending comfort and lasting fond memories to Tom's family.

Karlye Canfield

Karlye Canfield - February 28, 2018 at 03:18 PM

KP

“ Tommy "Turtle" was always a fun, loving and giving person. He was my best buddy for years. I'll always treasure all the fond memories of all our adventures together whether it was here in the Minneapolis area, going to the State Fair and/or up at his cabin. Rest in peace my dear friend. I will truly miss you.--Kay



Kay Pretti - February 25, 2018 at 03:17 PM

AN

“ My sincere condolences go to the Family for the loss of their dear loved one. I would like to share a Comforting thought from the bible found at Philippians 4:7 : And the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and your mental powers by means of Christ Jesus.

Anastasia - February 24, 2018 at 02:36 PM