



Thomas L. "Tom" Shearman Shaffer

March 12, 2013

Shaffer, Thomas Lester Shearman "Tom" Age 69 of Minnetonka, MN passed away surrounded by his loving family on 3/12/13. Born in Defiance, OH on 11/23/43 to Rev. Frank and Mary Shaffer. Survived by his dear wife of 45 years, Deborah, daughter Nicole (Eric) Heidel, son TJ (Kate) Shaffer, siblings David (Linda) Shaffer, Paul (Martha) Shaffer, Sarah (Mark) Diak, Ann (Edward) Selinger, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Tom attended Webster City High School in IA before graduating from Minneapolis School of Art (now MCAD). He took a break from school to serve in the US Navy. Tom was a talented artist, photographer and calligrapher. While pursuing his love of the arts during college, he met the love of his life, Debby. His talent led him to a long career in graphic design. He was a music enthusiast, especially Elvis and while he didn't sing much in public, he was a capable car singer. An avid reader and historian, Tom was an intellect with a witty sense of humor. We will forever miss Tom's presence in our day-to-day lives, but we know he's resting in peace, happily snapping his fingers to an Elvis tune. Memorial Service 4:00 pm, Tuesday, March 19, at Temple Israel, 2324 Emerson Ave S, Mpls. Reception to follow. templeisrael.com, 612-377-8680. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family, which will be dispersed to Tom's favorite organizations.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Tom: A sweet and gentle presence, always a rock for his family. He will be sorely missed. Thoughts are with all the family at his loss, and hugs for Debby. Kay and Marty Harris*

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