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Thomas Hyman Edwards

Nov. 7, 1933 - June 12, 2023

Thomas Hyman Edwards, 89, of Morganton, NC, went home to be with the Lord Monday, June 12, 2023.

Born in Martin County, NC on November 7, 1933, he was the son of the late Acie Tom Edwards and Annebelle Ethridge Edwards.

Thomas was a US Army veteran of the Korean War. He was an educated, charming man who was curious about everything. He was a bush pilot in Alaska and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Thomas was also a photographer and ceramicist.

Mr. Edwards is survived by his children, Vera Marie Kasayulie (Joel), A. Lisa Grigni (John), CeCelia Suzanne Edwards, Alessa C. Edwards, and Tanya H. Tomasi; thirteen grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; sister, Barbara Briggs Paul; six nieces; and numerous extended family.

In addition to his parents, Thomas was preceded in death by a brother, Charles Edwards; and the mother of his children, Linda D. Edwards.

No services are planned at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to Doctors Without Borders.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Our Dad Tom, known as Uppa to his grandchild, is missed & very loved. Dad showed unconditional love to all his grandchildren. He spoiled some of them giving them frozen candy bars. Dad loved Alaska & has many adventures either camping, fishing, hunting, teaching & raising 5 girls. Dad loved his ceramics, photography. We all miss you & love you very much!!

–Celia Edwards



It was an honor to have spent the last year and a half by your side as well as your amazing families. You left quite the impact on me and many others, always greeting me with a smile, even on the hard days. My condolences to the family and friends in the days ahead.

–Abbey Wester



–Thomas Edward



Our Dad Tom, Uppa, is very loved and a lot of memories when he lived here in Alaska. I know he's in Heaven. Probably fishing as he loved fishing at Brushkana. My



Probably fishing as he loved fishing at Brushkana. My grown children remember him fondly when he would spoil them with frozen candy after we would spend time together. Dad cared for others before himself taught me to care for others even through my struggles. We love you Dad.

—Cecelia Edwards