



Thomas Neal

May 8, 1938 - January 8, 2011

Thomas Earl Neal, 72 of Carbondale, Illinois, passed away Saturday, January 8, 2011, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Illinois.

He was born in Waldron, Arkansas on May 8, 1938 to Opal and Inez (Austin) Neal. He married Betty Martin on October 6, 1986, in Waldron, Arkansas. He was preceded in death by his parents, Opal and Inez Neal and his brother in law Bob Erwin.

Tom was a U.S. Army veteran. He retired from ABF Trucking. After his retirement, he drove a school bus for the Carterville School District. He loved trucks and tractors. He and his wife Betty raised and showed miniature horses. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife Betty, three sons, David and his wife Sheryl Neal of Oceanside, California, Kent and wife Tammy Neal of South Amherst, Ohio; and Shawn Neal of Anaheim, California; ten grandchildren; one brother, Bill Neal and wife Roswitha of Dallas, Texas; one sister Sandy Neal Erwin of Dallas, Texas; two nieces; one nephew; one great niece and one great nephew.

A memorial service will be held at 3 P.M. Saturday, January 22, 2011, at the Drury Christian Church, Carbondale, Illinois, with Reverend Moran officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family is requesting a donation for the Duncan Cemetery Perpetual Care fund. You may send these donations c/o The Bank of Waldron.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sandy, I was so sorry to hear about Tommy. I usually saw him at the All-WHS class reunions, he came a long way to attend those. Please extend my sympathy to the rest of his family. Love, Oleta

Oleta Goodner Lewis - February 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ David, I was so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you, your brothers, your step-mother, Sandy and Billy. God be with you.

Your cousin,

Keith

Keith Holleman - January 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ MAY GOD BLESS YOU DURING THIS TRYING TIME.

MARY MOODY-PENDERGRAFT - January 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ TOM A LIFE LONG FRIEND AND COUSIN WILL MISS HIM AT REUNION TIME.

BUEL WATTS - January 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM