



Thomas Orren Simon

December 12, 1939 - September 20, 2023

Funeral services for Thomas Simon, 83 of Giddings, will be held at 10:00 am on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings with Rev. Robert Tiner officiating. Military honors will be provided by the Giddings American Legion York Post 276. Visitation will be held on Monday, October 2, 2023 from 10:00 am until 8:00 pm with the family present from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm, and on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 from 7:00 am until 10:00 am at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings.

Thomas Orren Simon was born on December 12, 1939 in Grangeville, Idaho, one of six sons born to Ivan and Thelma (Bentley) Simon. He joined the United States Navy on February 26, 1958 and received his Honorable Discharge on February 16, 1968 having obtained the rank of ADR2 after 10 years of faithful service. Thomas married Iva "Joyce" Smith on March 4, 1972 in Reno, Nevada. He served as a police officer in California before moving to Montana where he worked as a heavy equipment operator for several years. After moving to Texas, Thomas drove a vacuum truck for Scurlock Permian.

He enjoyed fishing and hunting and after retiring, took up quilting. Always the joker, he used humor to deal with all of the obstacles that life would send his way. His grandchildren were his life and he rarely missed a school function or athletic event that they were participating in. Since 2010, he fought three separate battles against cancer while never losing his unique sense of humor.

Thomas passed away, with his family by his side, during the early morning hours of Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at his home in Giddings.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ivan & Thelma Simon; his son, Toby Simon, and four brothers, Lloyd, Dean, Glen, and Ralph Simon.

Thomas is survived by his wife of 51 years, Joyce Simon of Giddings; four children, Lisa Soares & her husband, Ron of Hanford, CA, Tully "Buzzy" Simon of Hanford, CA, John Holder & his wife, Kerry of Pocahontas, AR, and Michelle Harville & her husband, Leonard of Giddings; ten grandchildren, Harrison, Carson, and Emmerson Harville all of Giddings, Amanda Edmondson of Lemoore, CA, A.J. & Alyssa Soares both of Hanford, CA, Andrea West of Lebanon, IN, Keri Huffman of Paragould, AR, Brendan Simon of California, and Emily Willhoite of Pocahontas, AR; 15 great grandchildren, and one brother, Gale Simon & his wife, Irma of Clarksville, TN.

Memorials may be made to the City of Giddings Animal Shelter, 118 East Richmond Street, Giddings, Texas 78942, the Giddings Athletic Booster Club, P.O. Box 485, Giddings, Texas 78942, or to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements by Phillips and Luckey Funeral Home in Giddings.

Previous Events

Public Visitation

OCT 2. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - Giddings
3950 East Austin St.
Giddings, TX 78942
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Family Present for Visitation

OCT 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Public Visitation

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas Orren Simon*



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - September 29, 2023 at 04:58 PM

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“ *Joy, I am so sorry to read of your husbands passing away. I knew you had not been in church for quite a while. I have been sick since last Wed. is reason I have not been on computer to know of this. I cannot drive for now so can't offer to do anything for you. You can be assured I will be praying for you every day. I love you even tho we just get to wave at each other or a quick hello at church.*

OLLIE SIEGELER - October 03, 2023 at 06:44 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Orren Simon.*



September 30, 2023 at 06:53 PM

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“ I knew Tom in the early 90s at Scurlock Oil co.,at the Caldwell yard. My sincerest condolences to the family. Tom was a good man to work with.

Kerry Schlemmer - September 30, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ 67 files added to the album Life Tributes



Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home - September 29, 2023 at 04:47 PM

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“ Best papa in the world. He didn't make me take the fish off the hooks. 😊 I was way too girly for that one. I will always miss fishing and getting ice cream with him. He made my childhood a lot more fun.

Andrea

andrea West - September 24, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of
Thomas Orren Simon.



September 21, 2023 at 09:43 PM