Thomas John Young 1937-2021



Thomas John Young died peacefully on December 23, 2021 at Thermopolis Rehabilitation and Wellness.

He was born on January 30, 1937 to Norm and Billie Young. His first home was the electric plant in the Midwest oil field with his parents and his brother, Orin Young. His family enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, and fishing, something which Tommy enjoyed most of his life. Living in the small community of the electric plant, made him appreciate family and friends. Tommy graduated

from Midwest High School. Many of his classmates were lifelong friends. He joined the army in 1961. He spent most of that time in Germany, where he was honored as a marksman. Tommy used the GI bill to complete his college education. He received a BS in history education. When he realized he didn't enjoy teaching, he took a job in the FMC Trona mine in Sweetwater County. He lived in Granger, Wyoming until he retired.

Tommy was a confirmed bachelor until he met Donna Swatman. They married on May 12, 2006. He

loved her dearly. They made a home in Thermopolis, where they enjoyed gardening, travel, and a happy social life. As a couple, they supported each other and spent their retirement years comfortably.

He was an active member and supporter of the Masons and he enjoyed the associations and connections he made through the group. His passion was archeology and spent as much time as he could volunteering to help on digs. His hobby kept him connected to the University of Wyoming. It kept him young in body and mind. He was a fan of football and made a special effort to get to the games.

Tommy was a kind man and a caring uncle. His smile reflected his friendliness and his concern for people. He left his mark on the world in a quiet, intelligent manner. His family is grateful to the town of Thermopolis for the support and kindness

they showed him over the years. He loved the town and its people.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Swatman; sister-in-law, Margaret Young; niece, Suzie Dow; nephew, Stewart Young; great-nephews, Brandon and Kevin Dow, Matthew Young; great-nieces, Katie Young and Rebecca Young and several great, great nieces and nephews. Tommy also had numerous close friends that he kept in touch with over his lifetime.

A celebration of life will take place in Thermopolis in the spring. Memorials may be made to Shriner's Hospital for Children, 1275 East Fairfax Road, Salt Lake, Utah 84103.

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