



Mr. Harold Thomas "Tom" Speakman

June 11, 2022

Mr. Harold Thomas "Tom" Speakman, Ret. CMSgt, age 77, a resident of Elmore, AL passed away on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at UAB Hospital. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 18, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. from the chapel of Brookside Funeral Home with Pastor John Varner officiating. The interment will follow with military honors at Brookside Memorial Gardens. Mr. Speakman served during Vietnam and Korea and retired as a CMSgt. He was preceded in death by his parents Oscar Early Speakman & Bobby Irene Hill Speakman, sister Patty Jeeter. He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years Barbara Ann Speakman, daughter Sonya Strickland (Rob), Teresa Lee (Clint), brothers Bobby Speakman (Louette), Larry Speakman (Debbie), six grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Pallbearers will be Jacob Lee, Reed Strickland, Mase McDonald, Derrick Lockhart, Adam Minor & Chris Vega. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation in his memory. The family will receive friends on Saturday, June 18, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Brookside Funeral Home, Crematorium & Memorial Gardens of Millbrook, AL directing.

Cemetery Details

Brookside Memorial Gardens

Millbrook, AL 36054

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Brookside Funeral Home
3360 Brookside Dr
Millbrook, AL 36054
(334) 285-7442
<http://www.brooksidefuneralhomeal.com>

Service

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Burial

JUN 18 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family and Friends,

I just came across Tom's obituary, and am sad to learn he passed away in 2022. Tom and I were stationed together in England, in the 1970s.

Tom and I worked in the Police Plans and Programs Branch. The workload was made all the more difficult because our extensive planning covered all security, base defense, and law enforcement operations for two very large air bases, separated and surrounded by, huge forests. Even though the challenges were enormous, and time and resources limited, Tom kept us focused, while encouraging thinking outside the box.

We retired at the same rank, several years apart. Tom's influence was a large part of my rise through the ranks. He knew how to motivate people to work as a tight team.

Just like with many USAF cops, we traveled around the globe to different units, training schools, deployments, temporary duty locations, and similar things, so we didn't keep in touch once leaving England.

Farewell, old friend, fellow cop, and fellow Chief. As with many other USAF cops we knew, and with whom we served, you passed much too soon.

Mike P - August 09, 2025 at 10:03 PM



“ Mr. Harold Thomas "Tom" Speakman

October 09, 2023 at 12:36 PM



“ *Mr. Harold Thomas "Tom" Speakman*

October 07, 2023 at 11:21 AM



“ *I remember when papaw taught me how to ride a bike.*

Sophia Lawrence - October 04, 2022 at 03:26 PM



“ *It will be the little things you remember, the quiet moments, the smiles, the laughter. And though it may seem hard right now, it will be the memory of these little things that help to push away the pain and bring the smiles back again. We pray that your faith will get you through this time of grief. Tom is now in the loving arms of the angels. Love to all of you.*



June and Billy - June 18, 2022 at 09:46 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Katie - June 14, 2022 at 01:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Harold Thomas "Tom" Speakman.*



June 14, 2022 at 11:25 AM