

# Thomas Frank Rogers

Dec. 1, 1942 - Jan. 13, 2024

Thomas Frank Rogers, 81, slipped away peacefully Saturday, January 13, 2024.

Tom was born in Marshfield, Wisconsin on December 1, 1942 and was the son of the late Estelene Murphy Rogers and Elmer Floyd Rogers.

Tom moved to Morganton, NC in 1963 to establish Carolina Shoe Company alongside his father. Tom wore many kinds of hats during his career at Carolina Shoe but loved his position as Lead Human Resources Representative. After Carolina Shoe was sold, Tom worked at the Employment Security Commission, where he continued his love of helping others in their career. He worked for the Employment Security Commission before he chose to retire.

Don't let his tall presence fool you, he could be stern when needed but was best known for the way he touched the lives of many through his work and compassionate nature. Tom had a profound impact on those around him. His selflessness, kindness, and unwavering support for others are admirable qualities that have a lasting legacy. He loved spending time with his family, gathering around the grill for brats, hunting deer with his friend, Jim, and target shooting at the gun range.

Tom is survived by his wife, Sue D. Rogers; daughters, Tina Rogers Lutz (Eric) and Patricia Rogers Acuff; step-son, Adam Taylor; grandsons, Joseph Acuff (Haley), Thomas Austin Pewitt, Raymond Taylor, and Hunter Taylor; granddaughter, Lauren Acuff; sister, Kathy Matthews (Ed); and nephews, Tommy Matthews and Eddie Matthews.

There are no services planned at this time.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the Prostate Cancer Foundation ([www.pcf.org](http://www.pcf.org)) to help eradicate this horrible disease that afflicted him and his father.

A special thank you goes out to his two friends that came and checked on him weekly, Jim Powell and Grady Rose.

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

# Tribute Wall

 White Candle

Blue Candle Praying for you all during this time, Love you all Sue, Raymond, and Hunter. ~April Price~

—April Price

 Blue Candle

Praying for y'all during this time! Love y'all Sue, Raymond, and Hunter -The Harris Family

—Heidi Harris

 Blue Candle


Tom you will be missed everyday and while you're in heaven tell daddy (buddy) we miss and love him very much

—Lekisha Harris

 White Candle

Prayers for your family

—Judy Wood

 Blue Candle

THANK YOU TOM MISS YOU FROM THE CAROLINA SHOE DAYS. R.I.P.

—RUSTY

Tom was a good Man and Friend. Worked with him for 28 years. He will be missed.

—Rick Caroway