



John Thomas (Tom) Mills

November 22, 1944 - February 19, 2018

John Thomas (Tom) Mills, 73, of Reserve, Louisiana, passed away on February 19, 2018. He was born in Oakville, Texas on November 22, 1944. He is survived by his wife, Betty Mills; daughters, Jennifer Mobley (Gary) and Stephanie Damitio (Dan); his grandchildren, J.T. Naquin, Heather Loupe and Sarah Damitio; his sister, Margaret (Sissy) Goebel; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Mills; mother, Hazel Mills Mussman; and his siblings, Jack (Shelly) Mills, Louie (Booky) Mills, and Pat Mills Kerr.

He was the most amazing husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. The Greater Baton Rouge Model Railroaders were so special to him. He cherished his relationship with them. Tom was a remarkable man and he will be greatly missed.

A memorial service will be held on March 3, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Millet-Guidry Funeral Home, 2806 W. Airline Hwy, LaPlace, Louisiana. Visitation from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 3. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John Thomas (Tom) Mills*

October 05, 2023 at 08:59 AM



“ *My wife & I will always appreciate the time Tom spent with our son, Luke, at the train club. Tom was always patient & willing to share his time & knowledge with a young kid who was just learning about HO trains. God bless,*

*Gary, Kara & Luke Hill
Star Hill, LA*

Gary Hill - March 05, 2018 at 01:18 PM



“ *BettyIt has been many years since you and Tom were in Hazlehurst Mississippi but you have always been a good thought from my special memory book....I have often wondered where life has taken you since back when I worked at the family service station and was privileged to meet ya'll....I am still in Hazlehurst and I am sending my love and prayers to you and your family...John 14*



Sandra Cliburn - March 04, 2018 at 04:15 AM

JA

“ Tom was a kind and gentle person and a great friend. He gave so much of his time so willingly, helping wherever he could and contributing significantly to our club with his many talents. I was always amazed at the things that he built from scratch. I can never repay him for the time that he spent on most of my locomotives cleaning, oiling and checking them out after they went submerged in the flood. He managed to save nearly all of them. I always enjoyed spending time with him on our operating days and enjoyed working with him on the few projects that I was able to work with him on. He was truly a pleasure to be around and he will be sorely missed. I pray a special blessing on Betty and the rest of his family during this time of loss. Rest in peace "Chief".

Jamie Aguillard

Jamie Aguillard - March 01, 2018 at 02:09 PM

LQ

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Laura and Quinton - March 01, 2018 at 12:51 PM

SG

“ Tom was a friend to all PERIOD. He brought many model railroading skills to our train club and we all benefitted from his talents. I have a little different perspective of Tom than most of our club members. In countless trips to Jackson to work on the 3-Rail O Scale layout, we would find Tom under the HO layout fixing the wiring. This was long and ongoing work and Tom never backed away from it. We enjoyed many conversations on these "work days" at the club and I will truly miss Tom. I pray special blessings to the family during this difficult time of loss.....

Steven Grigg

Steven Grigg - March 01, 2018 at 09:41 AM

JM

“ Tom was the nicest and friendliest person I ever new. He will be sorely missed. God bless you and keep playing with trains in Heaven. My son, John F, misses your smiling, welcoming face. You were very attentive to him and he enjoyed the time you spent with him. You will truly be missed.

John Mayo

John T Mayo - February 27, 2018 at 09:21 AM

LS

“ Tom has been such a wonderful friend to us. I cannot even begin to say all that he has done, and what he means to us. He took Quinton under his wing before he was old enough to join the club, and was there for him, supporting him in so many ways. Tom was at the club before most everyone else, quietly working to make sure that the track was running well. He was always willing to help other members with their trains, but it was especially touching when he repaired so many after the flood, offering a compassion and understanding that was deeply appreciated. He didn't ask for recognition for his own contributions, but made sure to recognize those of others. We feel so blessed to have had him as our friend. He is deeply missed!



Laura and Quinton Savoy - February 27, 2018 at 12:11 AM

AM

“ Tom left a legacy on nearly every layout at our club in Jackson. I will never forget that, without prior notice, he installed a sound module in a building on our outdoor garden railroad. When the layout's power was turned on, the song "La Cucuracha" poured from the building and wafted over the railroad. We had no choice but to name the whole town La Cucuracha. That was more than five years ago. The song still plays.

Andrew Martin - February 26, 2018 at 08:18 PM