



Edward George Thomas Jr.

March 23, 1944 - December 29, 2020

Edward George Thomas, Jr. of Farmington, MO passed away at his home with his loved ones at his side on Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at the age of 76 years, 9 months, and 6 days. He was born March 23, 1944 to the late Edward George, Sr. and Imogene Shyrock Thomas.

On May 24, 1964 Ed was united in marriage to Ann Collins Thomas who preceded him in rest on February 8, 2018. To this union, two children were born; John Thomas and wife Amy of Smithton, IL and Michaellee Price and husband Ron of Sommerville, TN both of whom survive. Also surviving are two grandchildren; Ashley Ann Price and Zachary Price, one sister Patye Webb and husband Terry of Farmington, MO, and many other loving family members and friends.

Ed is preceded in rest by his parents, and a sister Mary Brewer.

For many years Ed supported his family by working as both an electrical and mechanical engineer. In this profession he built Bombardier boat motors for Evinrude, and hot water heaters for the A.O. Smith Company.

Before their passing, Ed and Ann both enjoyed being members of different theater clubs while living in North Carolina and Tennessee and would travel to many plays and shows.

A Celebration of Life will be held for Ed on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 12:00 pm from the Cole Family Chapel. A Visitation period will be held for friends and family to pay their respect beginning at 11:00 am. Interment will follow the services in the Arcadia Valley Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Lung Association or Serenity Hospice.

Online condolences may be made at www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com

Due to Covid-19 cases rising in Iron County, masks are required for attendance and seating will be limited. Thank you for your understanding.

Cemetery Details

Arcadia Valley Memorial Park

Russellville Road
Ironton, MO 63650

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home
210 E Reynolds St
Ironton, MO 63650
(573) 546-0742

Life Celebration

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edward George Thomas Jr.*

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“ *It was sad to hear about Ed's passing. We met a couple of years ago at Emilie's Resturant in Ripley. We seemed to end up at Emilie's every Sunday morning at the same time for breakfast. We began with "Hello, how you doing" and other social comments. As time passed we began sitting together and talking about whatever seemed interesting for the day. I had been talking about retiring and building myself a tiny house from a portable storage shed. Next thing I know he had starting building one in MO next to his sister's house. He showed me photos of the progress. I really enjoyed learning about his experience doing that. Additionally, he shared his developing health problems with me.*

Also, Ed was absolutly consistent in what he had for breakfast, it was always exactly the same thing....2 eggs over easy, 2 sauage patties, one piece of toast and a to-go cup of black coffee---filled to an exact level. Emilie's set up this breakfast in their ordering computer and named it The Mr. Ed Breakfast. The new waitresses just had to learn this.

Mr. Ed you will be missed.

-----James Hall

JAMES HALL - February 10, 2021 at 12:16 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Edward George Thomas Jr..*



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“ *I knew Ed and Ann Thomas when they moved to Ripley TN. I worked with Ed for almost 15 years and he was one of the smartest Engineers I have met or worked for. I learned so much from him and enjoyed the work, friendship, and mentoring he gave me and the other young Engineers we had at MagneTek / AO Smith in Ripley TN. A group of us stayed in touch and for the last 18 years we have gotten together for dinner around the Holiday's and once a year all of us could share stories about how we are doing. This group of friends is the strongest group of friends that I have had since leaving high school. Being able to share work and personal information and stay connected has always been something I looked forward too.*

Those of us that worked at MagneTek knew him as “Big Ed” and we will always remember him as the guy who drove the old Dodge Omni, used a door and 2 filing cabinets as a desk, and smoked to many cigarettes. He was the guy that worked all of the time and loved his work and appreciated his coworkers, his kids, and especially his wife - Ann Thomas. We will miss you Big Guy! Glad you called a few months ago to catch up!

Darrell Schuh

Darrell Schuh - January 01, 2021 at 04:58 PM