



Gregory David Thomas

May 13, 1973 - January 21, 2019

THOMAS, GREGORY DAVID, 45, of St. Petersburg, the son of Paula A. Thomas and Douglas L. Thomas (deceased) and caring stepfather Melvin E. (Buddy) Baker, died unexpectedly Jan. 21, 2019.

Greg was beloved by his estranged wife Christina, his companion Jennifer Hodosky, sister Wendy Baker, his niece Shannon Baker, his step-grandparents Melvin and Betty Baker of Waco, Texas, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins in Florida and Texas.

Let's not forget his ocean of friends. Greg made friends everywhere he went, from Florida to Pennsylvania to Hawaii. He was the life of any party, cooking a great meal while entertaining those present with his humorous and often long-winded stories. He would take over any gathering if you didn't pay attention. He was willing to help anyone with a problem and would organize the crew to do the job. His height, bulk, beard and extensive tattoos gave him a forbidding image, but underneath all that he was an endearing teddy bear, a trait that fed into his nickname, "Bear."

He had just begun a new job working in a place he knew well — a restaurant kitchen.

Greg's remains will be cremated. A Celebration of Life Mass will be held on Friday, February 1, 2019, St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Community, Fr. Victor Ray, Officiant in the Chapel of Allendale United Methodist Church located at 3803 Haines Rd., St. Petersburg, FL 33703. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with Mass at 6:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you take a friend to lunch, help a stranger, or commit some other act of unbidden kindness.

Events

FEB **Celebration of Life** 05:30PM - 07:30PM

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Allendale United Methodist Church
3803 Haines Road North, St. Petersburg, FL, US, 33703

Comments



“ Charlotte Neuberger lit a candle in memory of Gregory David Thomas



Charlotte Neuberger - February 02 at 08:47 PM



“ Heather Penrod lit a candle in memory of Gregory David Thomas



Heather Penrod - January 29 at 10:43 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working with and becoming friends with Greg at clear channel. There was never a dull moment when Greg was around, shared many a laughs with him!! You will be missed

Ken - February 01 at 05:33 PM



“ Still in disbelief that my friend is gone. We have known each other pretty much all our lives. He lived next door when i was a kid and we grew up together. I can remember climbing the tree in his yard, playing with hot wheels in the dirt, and just hanging out. i can remember when he got his first car the CRX and we took off and drove it over the Skyway bridge that night and we didn't think it would make it. Greg, myself and our buddy Albert would go fishing and have a blast, the time we snuck on Dunedin High school so you could talk to your girlfriend and we got caught. i remember the trouble you got into. What i would give to have those days back.

When i moved to Michigan i never forgot about my friend. we lost touch for many years but i never stopped thinking about my friend. we finally reconnected several months back and never did i think that it would be this short of a time to reconnect. but in that time he told me about his troubles and his past and how he was turning his life around. I was no I am proud of my friend Greg. You will always be in my heart my friend. rest easy now and we'll see each other one day. Paula you and your family are in my prayers. RIP Greg.



Christopher Robinson - January 27 at 02:03 PM



“ I was Greg’s boss at one time. He often talked about his family. His love for his sisters. And brought joy to anyone that he crossed paths with. Often I would get a random message from Greg letting me know he has changed his ways and he is bettering his life. We would often talk about the positive effects I had on him and how he appreciated me and my other half. He was definitely a joy to be around and quite the character. If you know Greg you can’t help but love him. He will surely be missed. Till we meet again my friend. XOXOX Windy

Windy Romano - January 26 at 12:40 PM



“ My thoughts are with you, Paula, Buddy and Wendy.



April Allen - January 25 at 11:05 PM



“ I’ve known Greg his entire life. His grandparents were my adopted grandparents. We grew up together. He was a brother to me. He was a kind guy. He’d come if you needed him no problem. We’d recently caught back up after life took us opposite directions. I will cherish the last few conversations I had with my brother Greg. He had such a kind loving heart and was a beautiful soul. He heart aches for his mom. I send my love and thoughts to you Paula. You did a great job with him. I am a better person to have known him. Love you greg



chantal - January 25 at 05:45 PM



“ I first met Greg 25 years ago. We shared a birthday and a love of Star Wars. He became to all intents and purposes my little brother. Even after I moved home to England we kept in touch
I am going to miss him so much even though i had not seen him for a while.
Rest well my dear friend
With love, Helen x

Helen Chetwynd - January 25 at 03:45 PM



“ Christina Thomas lit a candle in memory of Gregory David Thomas



Christina Thomas - January 25 at 09:06 AM



“ Desiree has been wanting to get a hold of you.

Kenneth - January 26 at 07:37 PM



“ I can't put into word just how amazing Greg was, If you knew him then you know. I am forever grateful to have had him in my life. Love you now and forever Greg.

Jennifer Hodosky - January 24 at 11:31 PM



“ Jennifer Hodosky lit a candle in memory of Gregory David Thomas



Jennifer Hodosky - January 24 at 11:12 PM