



## T.C. Thompson

July 23, 1937 - August 6, 2014

T.C. Thompson born July 23, 1937.

My dad passed away August 6, 2014 at 1:36 am. He was 77 years old. We were unable to celebrate his birthday with him because he was sedated in the hospital, but I know he is celebrating in heaven where he will suffer no more.

Dad was born in Kingsport, TN...in the hills...he worked in the tobacco fields... then came to Rockford, IL worked odd jobs until he landed a good job at Atwood Industries where he was an assembler of auto parts. He retired there with 41 years of service.

Mom and dad celebrated 47 years of marriage this year. They moved to Largo, FL in May to begin their new chapter in life....Dad was so thrilled about getting his home "just right"... and it is perfect... but something is missing now... MY DAD!

Dad enjoyed MANY things here are just a few...

Fishing... not sure what he enjoyed more... fishing or eating the fish

Gardening- always had a garden... and they just got bigger and bigger... loved raising 'maters and onions... and Vince and dad had great success with watermelon

Truck he loved his trucks over the years... and I bet you couldn't find a spot of dirt on it... and if you did he was on his way to the car wash... in his younger days he would wash and wax himself... and I would detail the inside... because he didn't trust me with the outside...

Salesman... he LOVED to sell his "treasures".... Early on he sold veggies from his garden... he sold car polish... but later in life he loved sitting things out in the drive way and put a "for sale" sign on it and wait for someone to stop and talk to him... and he would say..." I'll make you a good deal". We did many garage sales together... of course Dad would just tell me... do this... do that... and oversee the work... but on the day of the

sale.... He was ready to wheel and deal... he LOVED it!!!! And of course loved talking to everyone that stopped by.

His yard... loved mowing and landscaping his yard... which was another thing... I could only mow the back... because I didn't mow the front to his standards

McDonalds.... If he wasn't home.... Probably there.... Loved hanging out there and met lots of great friends

Music... George Jones, Jonny Cash... were a few of his favs and he Loved Blue Grass... and liked to play it loud when mom wasn't around

Breakfast restaurants... if there was a new one in town.... He would try it out see if the biscuits and gravy and american fries were worth it....

And finally me... I was truly a "daddy's girl"... he referred to me as "my girl".... I only had a name if I was in trouble... then it was LINA ANN...

But I always loved getting my dad nice clothes... and You still see that hard plastic hand stuck in a back window of a car, rocking back and forth waving at you. That cold plastic hand isn't connected to a smile or a warm heart, it just moves mechanically on a wire attached to a suction cup with no feelings. If you have ever driven down the 800 block of Brentwood Rd. in Machesney Park, IL in the past 20 years or so you would see a short older man sitting in his chair...by the garage door. As you get close to his house the first thing you'll notice is his hand waving. It's a soft wrinkled hand stretched out in the air. You're greeted by this wave and if you look closer to see a smile on this friendly face. You wave back, give a short smile and think who was it...

Curiosity would get the best of you if you were a daily driver on Brentwood Road...you would see a guy sitting there... and he would just wave.... So you would finally just stop and it was an open invitation to talk, shoot the "bull" from just a wave. Now you know T.C. like everyone else, when you he introduce himself (in his southern twang) you were sure your ears missed something...what was that...again you hear T.C....then your second question was answered... it's just T.C.! With every first greeting, then came an explanation about his name... "I was named after the doctor who delivered me... T.C. Reynolds, It was kind of a barter. Doctor said I'll buy this boy an outfit if you name him after me... Woodrow Thompson said that's a deal.. Now you know the story of the name behind this great man.... Husband; Father; Grandfather; Great- Grand Father; brother; and Always a great friend T.C. Thompson

Dad leaves behind a wife- Dyianna Thompson; daughter-Lina Lindberg; son-in-law (loved

as a son) Vince Lindberg; Granddaughters Shannan & Carley Lindberg; Great grandson-Landon; and brother-Bob Thompson

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **12**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Catholic Funeral Care, LLC  
12515 Ulmerton Road  
Largo, FL 33774

# Tribute Wall

MT

“ *Dyianna Lina and family. I so sorry. To hear. About. T.c. you. Have my deepest. Sympathy. Marilyn Mckinley -turner*



marilyn turner - August 13, 2014 at 09:17 PM

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GF

“ *Thoughts and prayers for all the family.*

Gary Furnish - August 10, 2014 at 11:01 PM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of T.C. Thompson.*



August 10, 2014 at 07:36 PM

TG

“ Sad to read in Rockford's Sunday paper obituaries about my neighbor TC... Was glad to work with TC at Atwoods. I will never forget my friend/neighbor each time i drive my 1951 Chevy Truck since it has TC's 1950's Garcia fishing pole hanging in the back window/ gun rack . TC loved this truck, Him, and his 2 brothers, Paul and Willie probably made the hood and door hinges at Atwoods.. Rest in peace TC  
Tommy Gaston



Tommy Gaston - August 10, 2014 at 06:10 PM

DE

“ Dale & Shireen Ehredt lit a candle in memory of T.C. Thompson



Dale & Shireen Ehredt - August 10, 2014 at 01:53 PM

DE

“ Such a beautiful tribute to your Dad. Our sympathy goes out to your Mom, you and your family to learn of TC's passing in today's paper. TC was the best neighbor and friend a person could have, although we lost contact after we moved Dale frequently would mention him. We are so sad but know how happy he is in heaven to continue his journey. Our thought and prayers go out to all of you.  
Dale & Shireen Ehredt

Dale & Shireen Ehredt - August 10, 2014 at 01:51 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of T.C. Thompson.



August 10, 2014 at 10:20 AM

TI

“ Tina lit a candle in memory of T.C. Thompson



Tina - August 09, 2014 at 12:40 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of T.C. Thompson.



August 09, 2014 at 12:34 PM

MM

“ Dyanna and family;

*I am very sorry to hear of T.C.'s passing away. He died on the same day (August 6) as his "best buddy", Chuck Mitchell. Chuck died in 2012. Now they can be "best buddies" in heaven.*

*This is a saying by Dr. Suess that has helped me get through these last two years without my Chuck.*

*DON'T CRY BECAUSE IT'S OVER;  
SMILE BECAUSE IT HAPPENED.  
Dr. Suess*

*My sympathies to you in this very sad time. I'm miss T.C.  
But at least the "best buddies" are together again.*

*Marcy Mitchell*

Marcy Mitchell - August 09, 2014 at 10:27 AM

TK

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We are one of the daily drivers on Brentwood Road that got to know T.C. and Dyanna over the years. We loved sharing our catch with him and enjoying his stories. One thing is sure, T.C. is going to make a lot of new friends where he is now, and will surely be watching over everyone left behind. Love The Kowalski Family

Tanja Kowalski - August 09, 2014 at 05:59 AM

DO

“ Dear Dyanna, Lina & Vince,  
Words cannot express the sadness we felt when we heard of TC's passing. Even though we have only known TC for a short time we felt he was a life long friend. We will miss his smile and stories as we stopped each day for a little chat. Lakeview of Largo has lost a great and caring soul and he will surely be missed. Treasure the memories. RIP TC.

We will be thinking of you and praying for you.

Dolores/Brian - August 08, 2014 at 10:40 AM



DS

“ Dolores/Brian Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of T.C. Thompson



Dolores/Brian Smith - August 08, 2014 at 10:17 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of T.C. Thompson.



August 08, 2014 at 09:56 AM

BL

“ So many memories of T.C. at Atwood and then the girls growing up together and going off to college. He was always a gentle man. Heaven gained a special angel.

Bill & Mabel Larson - August 07, 2014 at 11:51 PM

GG

“ T.C. Sure will be missed. He was always so sweet to me when we would talk. The whole family is in my prayers as you go through this. May God comfort you all. Stan and I send our love.

Gloria Gregory - August 07, 2014 at 10:52 PM

LI

“ Lina lit a candle in memory of T.C. Thompson



lina - August 07, 2014 at 09:03 PM

VM

“ Dyianna, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved T.C. He was always so friendly and had such a nice smile. I'm glad you are in FL near Lina. May you and Lina find joy in your loving memories.

VKay MacManes - August 07, 2014 at 05:13 PM

LI

“ 6 files added to the album New Album Name



lina - August 07, 2014 at 02:01 PM

 Shireen Ehredt

Beautiful pictures of a great family :)

Shireen Ehredt - August 10, 2014 at 10:50 PM

PE

“ *Dyianna, Lina, and Vince,  
I remember thinking T.C. was a quiet and shy man until you started talking to him!  
He was always so friendly and loved taking about gardening with me. May God  
bless you with love, support, and comfort as you say good bye. You are in my  
prayers*  
*Penny Lane*

Penny - August 07, 2014 at 01:51 PM

VM

“ *Vicki Montoe lit a candle in memory of T.C. Thompson*



vicki montoe - August 07, 2014 at 12:36 PM

DT

“ *Dyianna T. purchased the Island Memories Casket Spray for  
the family of T.C. Thompson.*



Dyianna T. - August 07, 2014 at 11:39 AM

MA

“ *I've known TC and his daughter, Lina for 17 years. I've shared many breakfast  
and lunch dates with him at McDonald's. I always enjoyed listening to his stories,  
and loved the accent. He would crack me up when he would yell at Lina...Lina  
Ann, he would say...he was a great man, and will truly be missed.*

Michelle Arrington - August 07, 2014 at 11:32 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of T.C.  
Thompson.*



August 07, 2014 at 09:38 AM

SB

“ *Dyianna I am so sorry for your loss. TC was such a sweet dear person. I always enjoyed his company and talking with him. He will be missed by many. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.*



Sharon Booker - August 07, 2014 at 05:23 AM

FH

“ *Florence Hammons lit a candle in memory of T.C. Thompson*



Florence Hammons - August 07, 2014 at 01:54 AM

Jeanne Wadsworth

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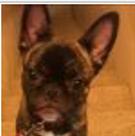


Jeanne Wadsworth - August 06, 2014 at 09:48 PM

RW

“ *The Church Family will always remember you until we meet again in Heaven. God needed an Angel so he called you home may we always find Comfort in knowing our Heavenly Father. God bless you're Family and always smile when you miss your loved one. Renate Wobig and Family*

Renate Wobig - August 06, 2014 at 09:22 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss Dyianna, Lina, Vince and family, may the memories of TC. Live within your hearts forever. He will be missed. Rich & Dar Hinrichs*

Dar Hinrichs - August 06, 2014 at 08:27 PM

LB

“ TC is one of the nicest people I ever met. I feel like I grew up with him as a surrogate father in our strong church family. God bless your family right now and know he is rejoicing with the ones that have gone before him. Remember the good times but dont forget how he loved you so much!!!

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**Lea Beach** - August 06, 2014 at 08:26 PM