



Thomas Leonard Nearhood

September 30, 1947 - July 9, 2017

Thomas Leonard Nearhood, age 69, of Richlands, Virginia, passed away on Sunday, July 9, 2017 in a Kingsport, TN hospital following a lengthy illness.

He was born in Richlands, and was the son of the late Bernard and Beulah Fuller Nearhood. He was a 1966 graduate of Richlands High School and went on to serve his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era. He worked for many years in the mining industry and construction. Thomas had attended the First United Methodist Church and the Covenant Presbyterian Church. He was a member of the Casey Shortt VFW Post #9640 and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

He is survived by his:

Loving wife, Trudy Kay Nearhood of Richlands, VA

Daughter, Bernetta Koons and husband, Robert of Allen, TX

Sons:

Benjamin Nearhood and wife, Jinny of Elko, NV

William Nearhood and wife, Carrie of Athens, GA

Step-Daughter, Laura Mosteller of Hickory, NC

Brother, Bill Nearhood and wife, Wanda of Cedar Bluff, VA

Grandchildren: Isabelle Koons, Marek Koons, Elle Koons, Calleigh Koons, Connor Koons, Matthew Koons, Ashlyn Nearhood, William "Tommy" Nearhood, Nicholas Nearhood, Raynor Nearhood, Isaac Mosteller and Madeline Mosteller.

A funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 am on Thursday, July 13, 2017 at the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Claypool Hill, VA with the Rev. Carl Howell officiating. Interment will follow at the Greenhills Memory Gardens in Claypool Hill, Virginia. Relatives and friends will serve as pallbearers. Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640. The family will begin receiving friends at 6:00pm on Wednesday evening at Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, VA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Covenant Presbyterian Church, First United Methodist Church, or the Casey-Shortt VFW Post #9640. Hurst-Scott Funeral Home in Richlands, Virginia is in charge of arrangements and those wishing to express sympathy online may do so at www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Greenhills Memory Gardens

11800 Gov G.C. Peery Hwy
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Hurst-Scott Funeral Home
1401 2nd Street
Richlands, VA 24641
<http://www.hurstscottfuneralhomes.com>

Service

JUL 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Covenant Presbyterian Church
235 Mall Church Road
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Leonard Nearhood*

January 14, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Thomas Leonard Nearhood*

January 14, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *Once upon a time there was a tavern
Where we used to raise a glass or two
Remember how we laughed away the hours
And think of all the great things we would do*

*Those were the days my friend
We thought they'd never end
We'd sing and dance forever and a day
We'd live the life we choose
We'd fight and never lose
For we were young and sure to have our way.*

You will be missed Tom....Thank you for all the memories

My prayer is for God to provide comfort to all those who loved you

Jerleen Nearhood

Jerleen Nearhood - July 14, 2017 at 09:23 AM



“ Dear Trudy and family, we are so very sorry for your loss of Tom , please know that we have all of you in our heart and our prayer for comfort and peace.

The Richard and Velma Conner Family

Velma Conner - July 13, 2017 at 11:56 AM



“ Rosalie Null lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood

Rosalie Null - July 13, 2017 at 10:07 AM



Trudy, my thoughts and prayers are with you today

Rosalie Null - July 13, 2017 at 10:08 AM



“ M. J. May and family purchased the Blue Caribbe an Bouquet for the family of Thomas Leonard Nearhood.

M. J. May and family - July 12, 2017 at 10:59 PM





“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Leonard Nearhood.*



July 12, 2017 at 07:05 PM



“ *Pete & Frances Vance lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood*



Pete & Frances Vance - July 12, 2017 at 10:46 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Leonard Nearhood.*



July 12, 2017 at 09:20 AM



“ *Trudy, I was so sorry to hear of your loss! My sincerest condolences to you and all of the family. I pray for God's comfort, as only He can give, for all of you.*
Eddie and Tim Buckle



Eddie Buckle - July 12, 2017 at 07:08 AM

DH

“ *Debbie&Neal Hunsaker lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood*



Debbie&Neal Hunsaker - July 12, 2017 at 04:42 AM

PR

“ *Tom you we're a dear friend & a special part of our Rowe family. Alan & I , Kurt, Josh & Jessi truly appreciated your kindness & friendship. You will truly be missed. Our prayers are with the family. God Bless!!*



Patty Rowe - July 12, 2017 at 12:56 AM

DT

“ *Dear Bernetta and family,
So shocked to hear of your father's passing.
I'm sure he was happy to see all of you last week! Our thoughts and prayers are with you!
Love you all! Aunt Darleen, Uncle Bill, Kevin and Sarah*



Darleen Tomayko - July 11, 2017 at 08:59 PM

LE

“ *Lynda Evans lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood*



Lynda Evans - July 11, 2017 at 08:54 PM

DS

“ So very sorry to hear this....Tom was a good friend to me many years ago. Peace



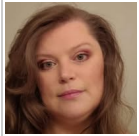
Doug Smith - July 11, 2017 at 07:04 PM

Dana Moats

“ Dana Moats lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood



Dana Moats - July 11, 2017 at 06:34 PM



“ Tiffany Thompson lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood



Tiffany Thompson - July 11, 2017 at 06:24 PM

Dana Moats

“ Sorry to hear about Tom. He was a good friend back in college days. Prayers for all of you.

Dana Moats - July 11, 2017 at 06:16 PM

SL

“ Sammi Lambert lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood



Sammi Lambert - July 11, 2017 at 05:46 PM

C9

“ Casey Shortt VFW Post 9640 lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood



Casey Shortt VFW Post 9640 - July 11, 2017 at 05:42 PM

EH

“ EVELYN D HESS lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood



EVELYN D HESS - July 11, 2017 at 05:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Leonard Nearhood.



July 11, 2017 at 05:02 PM

JK

“ So very sad to hear of Tommy's passing. Thoughts and prayers for Trudy and family Jack and Sue Keene

Jack Keene - July 11, 2017 at 04:34 PM

AM

“ Anita McGlothlin-Gibson lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood



Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - July 11, 2017 at 04:14 PM

AM

Trudy, I just can't tell you how devastated we are. I am praying fervently for you and the family. We just could not have asked for a better friend who was so kind and caring and he loved you dearly. Peace to you sweet friend.

Anita McGlothlin-Gibson - July 11, 2017 at 04:16 PM

EL

My heart aches for Tom's family. So sorry he had to leave so soon. He was a fine example of what a man should be. I hope these words from one of my favorite poems will bring comfort: "Just think of the joy, when after all odds . . . He reached for a hand and found it was God's."

Evelyn (Myer) Allison Looney - July 11, 2017 at 08:30 PM

PH

I met Tom in the spring of 1975 when we were sinking a Air Shaft at VP #2 for the Island Creek Coal Co.

Since then I was fortunate enough to have been associated with Tom on several projects throughout the United States. He was dedicated to his profession, a super human being and a great American.

Tom remains a true friend and as fine a gentlemen as I have ever met. Rest easy - Pete Hancock

Peter S Hancock - July 12, 2017 at 05:33 AM



“ *TonyanEdgar Wicks lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood*



TonyanEdgar Wicks - July 11, 2017 at 02:39 PM



“ *Georgie VanDyke sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Leonard Nearhood*



Georgie VanDyke - July 11, 2017 at 02:18 PM



Trudy you are in my prayers. So sorry for your loss .

Georgie VanDyke - July 11, 2017 at 02:19 PM



Sending love and prayers to you and your family Trudy.

Terry and Connie Holder - July 11, 2017 at 03:42 PM



Tommy and I double dated to the 1965 prom. Betty Mullins and Jane Ann Cox went with us Always friend GreG Altizer HHI S<C<

greg altizer - July 11, 2017 at 07:33 PM



We didn't get to know Tom for very long but always enjoyed his company when we met.

Judy Butterworth - July 13, 2017 at 12:01 AM