



Thomas "Tom" Dopps

March 4, 1946 - October 6, 2012

Thomas (Tom) Wilson Dopps passed away quietly, October 6, 2012 at Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee, WA. Family and friends, surrounding him with love and prayers, were there for his peaceful passing. Family will greet friends on Wednesday, October 10th from 3 to 5 p.m. at Kayser's Chapel. Viewing will also be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 11th at Kayser's Chapel. Services will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday, October 11th at Kayser's Chapel. Following will be an interment at Guarding Angels Cemetery and a reception at the Porterhouse to celebrate his life. Please sign the online guestbook or leave a note for the family at www.kayserschapel.com Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory.

Tom was born in Outlook, WA on March 4, 1946 to the late Dan and Martha Dopps. He lived there until the family moved to their farm in Othello, Washington in the winter of 1955. Tom stayed in Othello doing various jobs after his high school graduation in 1964.

In the late 70's, he moved to Moses Lake continuing to work for Ag. related companies. Tom was working at Western Farmers where he met his wife Joan Reffett Dopps. Their first date was the Grant County Fair which became a large part of their lives; entering vegetables, working at the Block 40 Milkshake Barn, and visiting with friends. They were married on April 3, 1982.

Tom enjoyed living in Block 40 raising animals, farming a small acreage and growing a huge garden. Although, Tom retired from his work with Cenex in 2008, he still worked many hours on his farm. He and Joan raised and gave away pumpkins for 30 years, providing a 'farm experience' for the second graders at Peninsula Elementary where Joan teaches.

Tom enjoyed the outdoors and always looked forward to his annual hunting trips with longtime hunting buddies. He traveled to different areas in Washington to hunt deer and elk, to Montana many times to hunt antelope with his close friend and to the ocean to fish with his brother Cliff. He also spent time collecting antiques, picking at yard sales and visiting casinos. Tom's most memorable times include a trip to Alaska to visit family, a cruise around the Hawaiian Islands, Disneyland after he turned 40, Yellowstone, and trips to Montana and the Oregon Coast.

Tom is survived by his wife of 30 years Joan; his sons, Dan of Quincy, WA., Don of Jacksonville, FL., and Derek of Moses Lake; his brother Cliff (Sandy) of Othello, WA.; as well as many nieces and nephews, cousins, brother and sister in- laws, and many friends.

Tom asked that in lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Youth Outdoors Unlimited: Mailing address is J.R. Newhouse c/o Chris Newhouse, 528 W. Broadway, Moses Lake, WA 98837: www.youthoutdoorsu.org or the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation website: bugle@rmef.org or address is RMEF 5705 Grant Creek Road, Missoula, Mt. 59808 or a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **10.** 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Visitation

OCT **11.** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (PT)

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Service

OCT **11.** 2:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joan and family: I'm so sorry for your sudden loss. If there's anything I could possibly do to help please let me know. You're in my prayers.##imported-begin##Diane Reid##imported-end##*

October 16, 2012 at 02:09 AM



“ *Joan,
We were so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. We have so many happy memories of visiting your pumpkin patch and always think of you this time of year. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.
Brian & Tami Wilson##imported-begin##Brian & Tami Wilson##imported-end##*

October 15, 2012 at 07:17 PM



“ *Joan and Derek,
Wanted to let you know we are thinking of you and your sorrow at this time. Was so surprised to see the notice in the paper. May in time, your memories bring a smile to your faces and hearts.##imported-begin##Patti and Kerry Culver##imported-end##*

October 15, 2012 at 03:14 PM



“ *Dear Joan and Family,
My heartfelt condolences go out to all of you during this difficult time. May your fond memories of Tom sustain through the sorrow and grief. Alice Parker##imported-begin##Alice Parker##imported-end##*

October 15, 2012 at 11:09 AM



“ Dear Joan
We are sorry to hear that your husband Tom has passed. We know how much he enjoyed working and being out doors. Each year was so much fun visiting your place with all the pumpkins etc. Our prayers are with you all.
Nancy##imported-begin##Dick and Nancy Philen##imported-end##

October 13, 2012 at 01:13 PM



“ Dear Joan,
Just saw the notice of Tom's passing in the Othello paper. So sorry for your loss. Wish we could have attended the service. He will be missed. Take care.##imported-begin##Guy and Trish Graber##imported-end##

October 12, 2012 at 01:24 AM



“ My condolences to the family.##imported-begin##Dale Howe##imported-end##

October 11, 2012 at 08:07 PM



“ Deepest condolences to the Families of Tom Dopps. Tom and I were 1964 Othello High School grads.##imported-begin##Glenna Koch/Goll##imported-end##

October 11, 2012 at 02:56 PM



“ Joan, this is a shock! I am so sorry about Tom. All I can do is pray for you and will do so. If my hugs would help, please consider them offered.##imported-begin##Laura Humphrey##imported-end##

October 11, 2012 at 12:32 PM



“ Joan, may you, your sons and family find strength and peace through the good memories you shared with Tom. Many blessings sent to you.##imported-begin##Nancy Parr##imported-end##

October 11, 2012 at 12:53 AM



“ Dear Joannie & Family,
Our thoughts & prayers are with you. We are so very sorry for your loss. Dale & Linda Black##imported-begin##Linda Black##imported-end##

October 10, 2012 at 07:48 PM



“ Joan,
I'm so sorry for your loss.
Thinking of you and sending many prayers!
If you need anything, please don't hesitate to let me know.
Much love,
Heather##imported-begin##Heather (Kirkwood) Whittall##imported-end##

October 10, 2012 at 04:57 PM



“ Joan,
So sorry for your loss. Tom was a great guy!! Loved it when he came in for lunch~his "usual"...bowl of soup & ice tea or lemonade... I will miss him alot! You and Derek are in our thoughts and prayers.... Norval & Benita###imported-begin##NK & Benita Shearer###imported-end##

October 09, 2012 at 07:53 PM



“ Joan and Derek, I was so sad to hear of your loss. Please know that your family will be in my prayers. May God lift you up in this difficult time. Love, Tiffany and family###imported-begin##Tiffany Wilson Valdez###imported-end##

October 09, 2012 at 01:57 PM



“ Just wanted to say how sorry we all are for your loss - and ours :(We are thinking of you - Love Dave & Debbie Black, Dick and Jackie Lowry and the entire Sporty's crew ---We will miss him lots###imported-begin##Debbie Black###imported-end##

October 09, 2012 at 01:57 PM



“ Dear Joan: We are so sorry for your loss. Tom will be missed. He was such a great man with a Big heart. Please let us know if there is anything that we can do for you. We will get together soon. Hugs and prayers to you and your family.###imported-begin##Mike and Julie Hughes###imported-end##

October 09, 2012 at 01:18 PM



“ *Joan, we are praying for you. Love from our family goes out to you.##imported-begin##Ron and Jean Fitch##imported-end##*

October 09, 2012 at 12:11 AM



“ *Dear Joan, We were very sad to hear about Tom's. You and Derek are in our thoughts and prayers. Randy and Kristine##imported-begin##Randy & Kristine Stewart##imported-end##*

October 08, 2012 at 11:08 PM



“ *Joan, we are so incredibly sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Bob and Sherry##imported-begin##Sherry and Bob Dompier##imported-end##*

October 08, 2012 at 10:31 PM



“ *Joan
We are so sorry for your loss , Let us Know if there is anything we can do for you. We love you ...our prayers are with you.
the Klenz's
Kandace, Tim , Rachel and Chase##imported-begin##Kandace and famil##imported-end##*

October 08, 2012 at 09:48 PM



“ Dear Joan, we were so sad to hear of Tom's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Much love to you and your family. Love, Jackie, Tom, Alex & Jay Bartunek.##imported-begin##Jackie Bartunek##imported-end##

October 08, 2012 at 09:03 PM



“ Joan I am so sorry for your loss, Please let me know if you need anything or just want to talk##imported-begin##Donna Anderson##imported-end##

October 08, 2012 at 08:11 PM



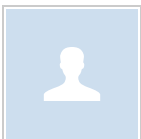
“ Our thoughts & prayers are with you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Jorge & Amey Trujillo##imported-end##

October 08, 2012 at 07:49 PM



“ Joan big hugs for you and your family. What a nice man and neighbor. He will be missed by so many.##imported-begin##Leslie Griggs##imported-end##

October 08, 2012 at 07:25 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Tommy. He was always a pleasure to be around.##imported-begin##Grant and Jennifer Quesnell##imported-end##

October 08, 2012 at 11:16 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends during this time of loss.

Gene & Bonnie##imported-begin##Gene & Bonnie
Polhamus##imported-end##

October 08, 2012 at 08:45 AM



“ Dear Joan and family; our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time.

Lory and family##imported-begin##Lory Benavidez and
family##imported-end##

October 07, 2012 at 07:33 PM