



Thomas Robert Valentine

October 15, 1932 - February 5, 2022

Thomas Robert Valentine of Aubrey, Texas passed away Saturday, February 5, 2022 at the age of 89. He was born in Raton, New Mexico on October 15, 1932 to Giacomo Valentine and Amelia (Tomasi) Valentine.

Thomas graduated from Raton high school in 1951. He received a scholarship to attend New Mexico A&M in Las Cruces, New Mexico. He majored in dairy science, received many awards in high school and college for agriculture and cattle judging. After college in the summer of 1953 he returned to Raton, where he met the love of his life Kathleen Lois Barton. They dated for two months and were married August 1, 1953. They lived in Raton for 14 years, where all six of their children were born. They moved to Springer, New Mexico and over the years he and Kathleen owned and operated numerous businesses. In each of these businesses they worked very hard side-by-side. At a young age he learned to work hard and would carry this work ethic throughout his life. In 2014 they moved to Aubrey, Texas. He loved his lord and savior and his life showed it. His passions were farming, cattle raising, livestock, gardening, planting fruit trees, the outdoors, and spending time with his family. Thomas was a faithful husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, well respected and loved by all who knew him. He and Kathleen were blessed with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed. Thomas and Kathleen remained inseparable for over 68 years, until her passing 48 days before him. The family takes comfort in

knowing that they are once again side-by-side together in heaven.

Thomas is survived by three sons, Thomas Robert Valentine Jr. and wife Cindy (Springer, NM), Jack Michael Valentine (Raton, NM), Ronald Ray Valentine (Springer, NM); three daughters, Roberta Gail Morris (Hereford, TX), Laurie Ann Taylor and husband Robert (Aubrey, TX), Teri Renée Pearson and husband David (Clovis, NM); 20 grandchildren; 41 great grandchildren; two sisters, Dora Hartman (Sparks, NV) and Betty Brown and husband Wesley (Raton, NM); and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by wife, Kathleen; parents, Giacomo and Amelia; grandson, Jarrod Pearson; four brothers, Frank, Jack, Joe, and William Valentine, three sisters Maryann Hester, Kate Ball, and an infant sister.

Visitation will be held 10:00AM-11:00AM, Thursday, February 10, 2022, at Slay Memorial Chapel in Aubrey, TX and the funeral service will begin at 11:00AM with Russell McDonnell officiating. Following the service interment will be at 1:30PM at Shay Cemetery in Shay, OK. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com

Arrangements are under the direction of Charlotte Chism Waldrum and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Cemetery Details

Shay Cemetery

Shay Road
Shay, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
info@slaymemorial.com
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
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Burial

FEB 10 (CT)

Shay Cemetery
Shay Road
Shay, OK

Tribute Wall

DO

“ Tom, my baby brother was smart, outgoing, always in action, and very good looking. He never set still.
I loved the excitement he displayed with the birth of each of his six kids. It was above and beyond.
His love of animals was also above and beyond. Can't remember a moment in his life that he didn't have some kind of dog, chicken, rabbit, cow or something else.
One of my fondest memories was our water fights at family reunions. It became a personal battle between just us. It started with balloons, and then anything that held water. We stopped in our 80's because our families insisted we do so,----- because running after each other was most dangerous!!
He, his love, and charisma will be greatly missed.

Dora - February 10, 2022 at 12:03 PM

LB

“ My Uncle Tom, a quiet, humble, loving man, with a lot of determination was a hard-working, self-made, successful entrepreneur. Whatever he set his sights on, he accomplished.
The things I most admired were the things of his heart. His devoted love for his wife and children. I will always remember him with a child or two or three in tow. Rarely was he without children at his feet.
Personally, two things I will greatly miss is how he always supported me with reassuring words that propelled me forward and our sharing of our love of Jesus.
His smile lit up the room! I will miss him so much.

Linda Brun - February 10, 2022 at 11:50 AM

MJ

“ One of the first people I met and did business with in Springer, A good friend always. Love to the family, I miss all of you

michael Jones - February 09, 2022 at 05:25 PM

DI

“ Always kind,always happy,so intelligent,hard working,everything that being a VAentine means.He will always be in my heart.

Diana - February 09, 2022 at 02:20 PM