



Tom Matthew Villarreal

October 9, 1952 - February 21, 2019

Thomas “Tom” Villarreal, 66, of Bartlesville, died Thursday in his hometown.

Thomas, or Tom as he was known, was born the son of Armand and Marguerite (Smith) Villarreal on October 9, 1952, in Bartlesville. He was raised and educated in the area graduating from Sooner High School in 1970. Tom furthered his education at Central States College in Edmond and completed a certificate program in CAD Design (Computer-Aided Design) at Tri County Tech.

Tom started working at a young age. A few of his jobs were mixing dough at Sal’s Daylight Donuts downtown, working with his father on concrete projects including Frontier Pool and parking lots in Eastland Shopping Center. As a caregiver with Bios and most recently a computer programmer with Philips, Tom remained a bachelor for many years before meeting the love of his life Carol while playing online games. They quickly hit it off and Carol moved to Bartlesville. They were united in marriage on October 18, 2003, in Eureka Springs, renewing their vows twice on their anniversary in Eureka Springs and Van Buren, Arkansas.

Tom’s lifelong passion was music and his personal collection exceeds 2,500 albums. He not only listened to the melodies but wanted to know everything about his favorite musicians and their music history. In his younger days Tom was a strong proponent for and enjoyed playing Disc Golf. Together Tom and Carol enjoyed online gaming, music and even though they both have distinct personalities, they balanced each other out. Tom loved to cook and enjoyed doing the grocery shopping and cooking most of their meals. He was known for his enchiladas. He will be dearly missed and loved forever.

Tom is survived by his loving wife Carol of the home; daughter Jessica Villarreal and her boyfriend Jimmie Hill of Copan; father Armand Villarreal of Bartlesville; sister Dianne Aultmann and Byron of Rapid City, SD; two grandchildren, Carbon and Jackson; and one special friend Shiloh the cat. He is preceded in death by his mother.

Tom's family will receive friends at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel, 918-534-3030, 113 S. Osage (Hwy. 75), Dewey, on Thursday, March 7, from 6-8 p.m. Visitation will also be held on Thursday from 10-8 and Friday 9-1.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. on Friday, March 8, at the Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel, with Pastor Bill Wright officiating. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 10:00AM - 08:00PM

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Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel
113 S. Osage Ave, Dewey, OK, US, 74029

MAR **Family and Friends Gathering** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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MAR **Visitation** 09:00AM - 01:00PM

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Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Davis Family Funeral Home - March 07, 2019 at 11:23 AM



“ Tom and I were very close during the 1970s - formative years for both of us. We shared many Okie adventures on the back roads of Washington and Osage counties, with the stereo blaring in his Chevy Vega. Only the most esoteric selections for us - none of that Top-40, AM radio stuff. Even then Tom had a musical collection that wasn't surpassed by anybody else we knew. His old domicile at 323 Seneca was a shrine to his eclectic musical taste, and a laboratory for our countercultural aspirations and pursuits. Back in those days we lived in a binary world, populated by hippies or pigs. We tried our best to be good hippies.

I remember Tom's famous enchiladas. In order to increase his culinary skills in 1974 he purchased the old standby of cookbooks, Joy of Cooking. In the rudimentary kitchen on Seneca all kinds of experiments came out of the oven to be appraised by which ever hapless victim might be visiting at the time. Inspired by Tom, I also obtained the same cookbook as soon as I got my first place. That crusty volume still rests in my kitchen today.

I must hearken back to Tom's legendary Christmas Party of 1975. Many of the attendees are no longer with us and, alas, Tom has now joined that league. Everybody that was there knew that it was a special event - a Bartlesville classic. It is one of my pinnacle memories of Tom.

Our paths somehow diverged after I moved to Tulsa. But Tom still remains as one of the key characters in my development as an adult. We used to spend a lot of time on the phone when I lived in Washington state discussing our triumphs and travails as we made our different ways through the big, bad world. Tom was a true individual tempered by a gentle soul. You will be missed. My life was augmented by my friendship with you.

Mike Piper - March 07, 2019 at 11:48 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Tom Matthew Villarreal.



March 05, 2019 at 05:28 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Tom Matthew Villarreal.



March 05, 2019 at 10:26 AM



“ Allan & Cheryl Pump lit a candle in memory of Tom Matthew Villarreal



Allan & Cheryl Pump - March 04, 2019 at 01:21 PM



“ Allan, Cheryl, Tabetha & Vance, Tina & Mike and kids purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Tom Matthew Villarreal.



Allan, Cheryl, Tabetha & Vance, Tina & Mike and kids - March 04, 2019 at 12:36 PM

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“ So sorry for the family's loss. I worked with Dianne at Phillips Petroleum and remember her fondly. Prayer's for healing in your time of grief.

Christina Gaskill Griffin - March 04, 2019 at 11:30 AM