

In Memory of Tommy Stroud

March 26, 1942 - November 28, 2024



Tommy "Tom" Ray Stroud, age 82, Passed away on November 28, 2024 in Round Rock Texas. Tom was born in Marlin Texas on March 26, 1942.

Tom was very proud of his military service. Serving as a Captain in the USAF. He loved to talk about the various planes he flew as well as some of the battles he participated in during the Vietnam War. He recently was recognized for orchestrating a daring rescue to save another soldier. This is detailed in the book "Pennies from Vietnam," by Tracy Smith. Tom was honored to be a part of this book and have his story told. He bought several copies and passed them out to his children.

After he retired from the Air Force, he focused on an accounting career that would last for decades. He enjoyed his work immensely, especially helping so many folks navigate taxes and tax season.

His other love was being part of his church community. He felt it his calling to be not just a member, but a participant. Often, he volunteered as treasurer for some of the smaller churches he attended over the years. But his passion was singing in the choir. You would always see him standing in the choir loft singing his heart out. St. Philip's Methodist Church of Round Rock was his church home for the last 38 years.

Tom loved his family including his three children, their spouses, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He adored all of them and loved to spend time with them whenever he could. You could often find him gathered at one of his children's homes watching his favorite football teams, the Baylor Bears, and the Dallas Cowboys.

Tom was preceded in death by his mother and father, Annie and Dick Stroud. As well as his granddaughter Amanda Irish. He is survived by his children: Judy Irish, her husband Scott and children Ben, his wife Teresa and daughter Chelsea; and Jackson; His son Jim Stroud, his wife Mendi, their daughter Carson, her husband Russ and daughter Sarah; their sons Connor and Colin; His daughter Nancy Beck, her husband Greg, their daughters Katie, Jordan and Sarah. His family is saddened at this loss. Tom will be deeply missed. His passion, his humor, his story telling left a mark on us all. His spirit will live on in the memories of those who knew and loved him.