



Thomas "TC" Caldwell

May 27, 1939 - November 13, 2020

Thomas "TC" Richard Caldwell, 81, of Parker, PA, passed away November 13, 2020 at UPMC Northwest, following an extended illness with his family by his side.

Born in Butler, PA on May 27, 1939, TC married his loving wife Kay on June 1, 1957 shortly after graduating from Parker High. Tom served in the US Air Force from '57 to '61. Tom was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, TX, Davis Monthan, AZ, Vandenberg, CA, and Thule, Greenland before being honorably discharged on June 6, 1961.

Tom worked at Hunter's Truck Sales & Service for over 30 years; first as an Outside Parts Salesman and then as a handyman until he was no longer able. Tom was an active member of his community, serving as a Board member for the Ambulance Service, Historical Society, and the Park Hill First Church of God. He was a Boy Scout Leader, volunteer EMT, firefighter, and ambulance driver, all for Perry Township. Tom was also a member of the American Legion Post 598.

In 2005, Tom and Kay joined the American Red Cross to provide relief to victims of Hurricane Katrina. This was a life changing trip for TC as he was moved to surrender his life to the Lord. Tom went on to provide relief to hurricane victims in Florida and Texas and delivered tractor trailers full of supplies to Waveland, MS, and Joplin MO.

In 2019, Tom and Kay helped plan and implement the first Perry Township Community Days since 1994. All of their children were in attendance and they were honored to be recognized as "Outstanding Citizens" at a surprise ceremony. TC was known by his family and close friends as a devoted husband and loving father and all around good guy. TC enjoyed making "woodily things" in his woodshop. His family will always cherish the many hand-crafted gifts he created over the years. Tom was known for taking wedding celebrations to the next level with the Caldwell Table Dance. When the DJ played "Old Time Rock & Roll," TC would join the bride on the closest tabletop and lead her and the crowd in the liveliest dance of the evening.

Tom enjoyed hunting and when he could no longer hunt he spent his evenings traveling the area in search of turkey and deer. He enjoyed bird watching from his recliner and was an avid reader.

Tom will be greatly missed by his wife Kay and their loving family. Children, Debbie Bobbert (Jeff), Dale (Lisa) Caldwell, Lynne (Greg) Sleppy, and Scott (Jacqui) Caldwell, Son-in-law Perry, Grandchildren: Angela (Todd) McMasters, Candi (Jason) Myers, Jason (Sara) Bobbert, Ben (Jess) Bobbert, Kasey (Chris) Moore, David Caldwell, Rachel (Caleb) Whitney, Alex Caldwell (Lauryn), Jordan Thomas Sleppy, Jill Caldwell, Alex Heinen, Gavin Reesman, eight great-grandchildren, his sister Alda (Bob) Young, and sisters-in-law Charlotte (Larry) Callander, Sally Reed, Judy Caldwell, many nieces, nephews, and Maggie the cat.

Tom was preceded in death by his mother Helen Dobson Caldwell (Clyde "Squire") Mills, aunts Flora Stute and Alda Dobson who helped raise him; siblings Mary Ellen Bell, Judy Ball, and Lou Caldwell; parents-in-law Dale & Ione Jordan, brothers-in-law John Ball, Richard "Shorty" Reed, and a variety of unique family pets, including Jasper, Toby, and Dan the Tax Cat.

Family and friends will be received at Park Hill First Church of God on Wednesday, November 18, from 11 - 1 and 3 - 5 with a maximum of 25 people permitted in the building at any given time. A private memorial service will be held at 5:00. Masks and social distancing per CDC and DOH guidelines will be enforced.

Memorials may be made to Park Hill First Church of God 3314 Lime Plant Rd or the Perry Township Historical Society PO Box 83, both of Parker, PA 16049.

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends

NOV 18. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Park Hill Church of God
Lime Pant Rd.
Parker, PA

Gathering of Friends

NOV 18. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Park Hill Church of God
Lime Pant Rd.
Parker, PA

Tribute Wall

PP

“ We were saddened to read of Tom’s passing. Our condolences to Kay and family.
Bill & Pat Powers

Pat Powers - November 26, 2020 at 08:32 AM

JL

“ So sorry to hear of Tom's passing, I've known the Caldwell Family for many years. You have our Deepest Sympathies.

Jerry & Alta Lauer - November 25, 2020 at 08:10 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



November 17, 2020 at 08:57 PM

PA

“ Parker Area Authority purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



Parker Area Authority - November 17, 2020 at 02:54 PM

DM

“ Our prayers are with the entire Caldwell family as you prepare to celebrate the life of Tom. "How lucky we are to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard."

Doug and Laurie Morrison

Douglas Morrison - November 17, 2020 at 02:42 PM

TA

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and hope your memories provide you comfort.
Terri and Jim Alworth

Terri Alworth - November 17, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



November 16, 2020 at 04:52 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



November 16, 2020 at 04:03 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



November 16, 2020 at 03:03 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



November 16, 2020 at 11:05 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas "TC" Caldwell.



November 16, 2020 at 11:00 AM

RM

“ To Kay and the entire family: Words are hard to find to tell you how much Tom meant to me over the years. Seems like he was always there at some of lowest valleys. Kay, both of you were there the day of Rogers heart attack and that meant the world. And a few years later; when we really needed a friendly neighbor he was one of the very few to stop and lend a shoulder and give a fatherly hug. He was a wonderful, kind, caring man and I know He's busy, helping the Lord with something productive today! Bless you all and know we will all miss him!

Rhonda McCall - November 16, 2020 at 08:49 AM

SG

“ I'm so sorry for your pain. Sending prayers over Kay and all his family 🙏. May the angels surround yours all within their wings and bring you comfort and peace and strength to heal. Hugs and prayers, Sue Gilbert Gindlesperger

Sue Gindlesperger - November 16, 2020 at 07:43 AM

JC

“ To Dale and the Caldwell family: Heartfelt condolences on the loss of such and amazing man and gentle soul. I hope the happy memories get you through this trying time . May he rest in peace in the arms of the angels.

Joan Cornelius - November 16, 2020 at 07:33 AM

WC

“ TC told me the story about growing up in Parker and the time as a young boy he climbed around a large tree at the edge of the bluff near his childhood home. He said he didn't know why he did it but he said once he was halfway around the tree he figured he'd better finish. The tree is still there and the drop from it would've been a bad one.

Wes Callander - November 15, 2020 at 06:22 PM

VP

“ I'm so sorry for your loss! Love and prayers sent!

Vickie L Pentzl - November 15, 2020 at 05:18 PM

KH

“ It is hard to find words to describe the loss that will be felt by so many. Tom was an amazing man who gave so much to care for others. He and his lifelong partner Kay are two amazing people whom I feel so honored to have known and loved. My heart breaks for Kay and her children as they have to say goodbye. Until we meet again Tom...❤️

Kathy (Myers) Hepner - November 15, 2020 at 05:05 PM

BE

“ I remember Tom as a all around great guy the thing I will remember most is when I had a car accident in Parker it was tom and Kay I remember being there he made sure he grabbed my phone and purse and brought them to me the next day RIP friend I was glad to call you a friend

Bridgette Eggers - November 15, 2020 at 04:17 PM

FP

“ Sending our condolences to the Caldwell family.

Frank and Kim Palmer - November 15, 2020 at 03:22 PM