



Joseph E. Tomlinson

November 23, 1958 - June 26, 2024

Joseph Eugene Tomlinson, 65, of Terrell, Texas. Joe (Joey to family and close friends) was a very generous soul, with a deep empathy for others. He was always up for new adventures and enjoyed sports and athletic activities, such as football, racquetball, golf, and baseball, so much so that his sons fondly remember enjoying several days a week of playing baseball with their dad. He served in the US Army in Germany as a Military Police Officer, followed by several years as a Phoenix Police Officer, and after that, many years as a State Investigator, earning numerous commendations and awards of excellence.

Joey was an avid storyteller, and was always happy to provide much laughter and entertainment with his many stories about his fishing, military, and police exploits. He was able to construct a lively tale on almost any subject matter, but these topics were his favorite.

Joey was born in Peoria, Arizona, on November 23, 1958, the tenth child of Marvin Joseph and Allie Mae (Twilley) Tomlinson. He is preceded in death by his parents, along with five sisters, Rita, Linda, Dorothy, Dianne, and Brenda, and two brothers, Curtis and James.

He is survived by his wife, Kimberly (Ward) Tomlinson, two sons, Andrew, and Jared (Cheramy), and two granddaughters, Charlize and Callie, and one

grandson, Jake all of Terrell. Texas. He is also survived by one brother, Walter "Ernie" (Diane), and three sisters, Karen (Rick), Anita (Chris), and Evelyn (Tony), all of Arizona along with a host of nephews and nieces, and great-nephews and nieces.

We will miss him dearly, and cherish the many swimming pool basketball marathons, nature walks, card games, and coffee talks we enjoyed with him. For now, we sadly say to him fare thee well, until we meet again on heaven's shores for a great family reunion.

Family is planning a celebration of life for a later date.

Cemetery Details

Hubbard Cemetery

Safford, AZ

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall



“ So very sorry for your loss. The world was definitely a better place with Joe in it. Joe is one of my old army buddies, and he was a kind and wonderful person. He was loved and respected by everyone he met. I was honored and privileged to know and serve with him. Thank you for this opportunity to share with you with a special person he was.

Cheryl Mohan-Athey - July 09, 2024 at 05:59 AM



“ Jared and Andrew, words cannot express how much the passing of your father means to all of us. He was kind, generous and had a heart of gold. Just like all the baseball games he took you to, I always enjoyed the softball games and basketball games he invited me to play and the pool party basketball games we enjoyed together. I have often wished we could go back to those days one more time. If there are sports in Heaven, I am sure we will all play together again.”

Tony Guevara - June 29, 2024 at 07:38 PM