



Thomas Evan Leiby

April 2, 1940 - September 13, 2025

Mr. Thomas "Tom" Evan Leiby, 85, of Hayesville, NC, formerly of Moreland, GA, passed away Saturday, September 13, 2025, peacefully in his home. He was born April 2, 1940, in West Reading, PA to the late Guy and Evelyn Leiby. In addition to his parents, Tom was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia "Micki" Michelle Leiby, and sisters Nancy Bell and Mary Bannon.

Tom grew up in Red Hill, PA and graduated from Upper Perkiomen High School in 1958 where he excelled in several sports as well as the performing arts. He also served on the student council and was elected Senior Class President.

Tom went on to attend Susquehanna University and then joined the Marines to serve as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam. He was awarded the Purple Heart; the Vietnam Service Medal with two bronze stars and was awarded the Air Medal twenty-one times for his extensive combat flying. Tom left the Marines as a Major, to become a Captain for Eastern Airlines. He is probably known best locally for being "The Hud Man" during his long career with Lindsey's Realtors in downtown Newnan.

After his retirement and the passing of his wife Micki, Tom enjoyed spending time in his garden, fishing with friends and grandkids, and of course, his weekly poker games. Family was very important to Tom, and nothing made him prouder than watching them all grow and excel.

Tom is survived by his sister, Susan Krause (Bill); daughters, Tamara (Tammy) Ann McFadden (David), Laurie Michelle Reynolds (Scott), Elizabeth (Paige) Leiby & fiancé Asael Cruz; Grandchildren, Gregory Valliere, Jonathan Valliere, Courtney Poppinga (JP), Shelly McFadden, Sidney Reynolds Clark (Ronnie), Skye Reynolds & fiancé Chris Garcia; Great-grandchildren, Jeffrey Poppinga, Tucker Poppinga.

Tom will be honored on Sunday, September 21st, 2025, with a viewing from 2:00-4:00 pm at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson Street, Newnan.

A service will follow immediately with Kevin Couch officiating.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 21. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Funeral Service

SEP 21. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas Evan Leiby*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - September 22, 2025 at 10:04 AM



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Thomas Evan Leiby*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - September 21, 2025 at 09:59 AM

DS

“ *Hi Suzy - this is Dalene Seasholtz. I just read of Tom's passing & want to send my condolences to you. Tom & Arlin spent a lot of their childhood roaming the hills and valleys between your house & Arlin's! Arlin had many tales to tell about their adventures! I pass your house from time to time and also think of you and Bill & Marvin Godshall and often my mother going off in your cars for a parade or car show!! Hope all is well with you; I am sure Tom's passing will leave a hole in your life, but bring up fond memories and smile at them - We find that brings peace since Arlin's passing. Our thoughts are with you..... Dalene*

Dalene Seasholtz - October 31, 2025 at 04:00 PM

AQ

“ *Tom... you are so missed. The most kind genuine guy ive met. I wish we had more time to hang out when you were here visiting Paige. Sending my love to your girls..*

Ash Queen - September 21, 2025 at 10:18 AM

LC

“ Lizette C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Evan Leiby.

Lizette C. - September 19, 2025 at 08:09 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Evan Leiby.



September 19, 2025 at 04:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Thomas Evan Leiby.

September 19, 2025 at 04:19 PM

BR

“ Brandi purchased the Vivid Recollections for the family of Thomas Evan Leiby.



Brandi - September 19, 2025 at 09:55 AM

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“ Brandi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Evan Leiby.

Brandi - September 19, 2025 at 09:55 AM

JF

“ Judy Moretz and family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Thomas Evan Leiby.



Judy Moretz and family - September 18, 2025 at 10:05 AM