



## Mike Thomas Dyer

May 6, 1949 - July 1, 2023

In loving memory of Mike Thomas "Tommy" Dyer, who passed away on July 1, 2023.

Tommy was predeceased by his parents, William "Bill" and Lovie Pauline Dyer, his brothers, David and Jody Dyer., and his sister, Dawn Tatum. He was the loving dad of Debbie Harned, grandpa to Alexander & Thomas Twomey, and brother to Jane Goodson and Joy Boggess. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

He was born in Atlanta, but lived in Tallahassee for about 20 years before moving to Whigham, GA. He was Honorably Discharged from the US Air Force in October 1973 after serving our country as a Radio Communications Specialist.

My dad was giving and he was kind. He was a lover of rock music and two of his idles were Mick Jagger and Richard Petty. I have so many good memories of him. He probably knew all of the songs played by the Rolling Stones and he loved racing!! I am thankful that he shared this love with his brothers, David and Jody Dyer. My memories of him are full of family, camping trips, go cart racing, and just enjoying nature. He always tried to make sure that his family had everything they needed. He faced every challenge in life with admirable strength and courage.

He was a loving, and supportive father. Whenever I was upset or hurt, just seeing him made me feel better. After I became a parent, I realized all that he did for me growing up. Taking me and picking me up from all my school activities, watching me practice or play tennis matches, plays, anchor, sleepovers, etc. Whether I needed help with my homework or just a shoulder to cry on, he was always there for me.

My dad was a true role model who I will always look up to. The VA Committal Service will be held at Tallahassee National Cemetery on Friday, September 15, 2023 at 2pm.

Dad, you are now at peace but you will live on forever in our hearts. We love you so much. Rest in peace.

The family is being assisted by Jackie Fulford and James Sircy at Young Fulford Funeral Home and Crematory, Tallahassee Florida. 850.610.4444  
YoungFulford.com

# Previous Events

## VA Committal Service

SEP **15**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Tallahassee National Cemetery  
5015 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, FL 32311

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mike Thomas Dyer*

October 22, 2023 at 10:27 PM



“ *Mike Thomas Dyer*

October 09, 2023 at 11:25 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Tommy Dyer*



**Debbie** - July 13, 2023 at 11:40 AM



*I think i look like my momma*

**Brandi Babb** - July 18, 2023 at 11:25 AM



*Brandi, yes you do!! I sure do miss seeing your face.  
Love you*

**Debbie Harned** - July 21, 2023 at 05:19 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Debbie** - July 13, 2023 at 11:39 AM

“ Below was shared by my cousin, Dwain.

### *Uncle Tommy*

*The best way I could think to describe Uncle Tommy would be well read but even more experienced: There wasn't a plant, tree, or bird that he could not instantly name upon seeing it. His knowledge came from numerous books he would read but he did not just read about it he hiked, canoed, biked, camped, and experienced it. He would love to tell stories of camping O'Leno state park where deer would come so close, they would beg for potato chips. There were countless stories of his time hunting Joe Budd area with his cousin Raymond. He even convinced his little brother Jody once to tag along but I'm pretty sure it was a one and done for him. His love for canoeing took him down many waterways but he loved the Okefenokee and the Aucilla River most. He taught me the art of cooking over coals and how to make an amazing meal with just a couple of sweet potatoes and a few other mixed items. He would ride a current of the river with a masterful J-stroke and teach anyone that paddled with him the best way to go the furthest without wearing yourself out. He loved mountain biking on his Raleigh mostly at night zipping in and out of tight forest trails with his buddy Mack. His love for the outdoors led to many amazing camping trips. He taught neighboring campers the magic use of fat lighter to get a campfire going even in the wettest conditions and my favorite trick for mosquito repellent "If you drink enough tequila, they will leave you alone even if they do bite; it will only be once because they will just fall off ya drunk." I don't believe Uncle Tommy ever worked a day without being within earshot of a radio. He could tell you which Beatle was singing on any song, but the Rolling Stones were always the kings of music to him. You Can't Always Get What You Want was his life song "But if you try sometimes, well, you just might find You get what you need." Listening to Uncle Tommy's vinyl collection was always a great experience. He would tell you stories of the many bands he has seen in concert, his party room he made in his old*

*house and all his adventures overseas. Seeing the Stones live with Uncle Tommy and going to Blues festivals will always be some of my fondest memories of him. One of my favorite stories of his was the flying pig at a Pink Floyd show that hovered over the crowd while most concert goers in a let's say altered state hit the ground and tried to hide under seats as the giant inflatable soared overhead. Uncle Tommy was an encyclopedia of good rock music and the outdoors and to this day I am grateful to him for opening my mind and ears to all the music and good times I experienced with him.*

*So beautifully written and such good memories. Thank you Dwain!!!*

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**Debbie** - July 13, 2023 at 11:37 AM



*This is beautiful.*

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**Brandi Babb** - July 18, 2023 at 11:20 AM

SC

*Debbie, Dwain, you guys have put the entire essence of Tommy in your tributes. I always loved seeing him, talking to him, and him letting me always know that it was ok to go against the flow. He was so unique, and I have, and always be proud to call him family. Love to you guys. Sherry*

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**Sherry Dyer Callaway** - July 18, 2023 at 05:27 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Debbie** - July 13, 2023 at 11:26 AM

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Debbie - July 13, 2023 at 11:21 AM

DH

“ 2 files added to the album Tommy Dyer



Debbie Harned - July 12, 2023 at 05:20 PM

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*Dad with Thomas and Dad and me. He did not like getting his picture taken.*

Debbie - July 13, 2023 at 11:21 AM

BG

“ *Tom was a good friend for many, many years. He was soft spoken with a huge smile. Tom was happiest in the wilderness, near his pond with the bullfrogs or with his friends. His garden was his sanctuary, and he loved sharing his bounty! Tom experienced life and enjoyed talking about it! We will miss him dearly. See you again one day our dear friend. Kevin and Brandy Griffiss*

Brandy Griffiss - July 04, 2023 at 02:34 PM

DH

*I remember that garden. He loved working in his garden and his pond used to be so nice!!*

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**Debbie Harned** - July 21, 2023 at 05:17 PM