



Mr. Tom Howard Newman

December 30, 1938 - May 24, 2024

Tom Howard Newman, 85, formerly of Seneca, SC, passed away on Friday, May 24, 2024, at his residence.

A native of Calexico, California, Mr. Newman was the son of the late Tom Horace Newman and Shirley Armstrong Newman Coleman.

Mr. Newman graduated as Class President and Varsity Track Letterman from San Leandro High School in 1957. He served in the Armed Services, which brought him to Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

After leaving the army, he worked in construction while pursuing his master's degree. Later, he championed equal rights for women and minorities through his career in human resources and safety work for various construction companies. His roles spanned corporate offices, project sites, and manufacturing plants across the United States, from South Carolina and Texas to Massachusetts, Washington, Colorado, Tennessee, and back to Carolina.

After retiring from Blue Cross/Blue Shield of South Carolina, he worked as a real estate agent in Oconee County. He was always ready to lend his handyman services and proudly boasted he "could fix anything but the crack of dawn or a broken heart."

An active member of Foothills Church since 2002, Mr. Newman served on several committees, but most passionately in the Children's ministry, Planet Kidz. He could always be found at the ballpark, keeping score for the church softball team.

Mr. Newman was also a Shriner and a Freemason.

Mr. Newman is survived by his daughters, Susanne Cash (Craig) of Lyman, SC, and Julia "Jewels" Newman of Cosby, TN; son, Phil Newman (Robin) of Nashville, TN; brother, BJ "Bones" Newman of San Leandro, CA; sisters, Clara Scholl of Pine Grove, CA, and Barbara Creamer of San Leandro, CA; six grandchildren: Abby, John, Joseph, Hampton, Harper, and Hadley; and one great-grandchild: Ginny May.

The family of Tom Howard Newman invites you to his funeral services, which will be held at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at Foothills Church. A reception and lunch will follow, allowing all to gather and remember a life well lived. We look forward to your presence and the comfort it will bring during this difficult time.

A private burial will be held at Ramsey Creek Preserve in Westminster, SC.

Flowers are accepted, or memorials may be made to Foothills Church: 505 Bountyland Rd, Seneca, SC 29678.

The Newman and Cash families would like to express their heartfelt gratitude for the outpouring of support and condolences during this challenging time. Your kind words and gestures have provided comfort and solace, and for that, we are truly grateful. The family will be at their respective homes.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

Foothills Church
505 Bountyland Rd
Seneca, SC 29678

Reception

MAY 29. 12:00 PM (ET)

Foothills Church
505 Bountyland Rd
Seneca, SC 29678

Tribute Wall

SB

“ Tom was a super sweet guy, always had a smile on his face. He was always ready to help you in any way he could, and he helped me move several times over the last two years. I was on the Foothills Church ladies softball team where he would always keep our score, cheered us on, and he did our stats- of which I think was usually at the bottom of his list. Tom will be missed, but I will see you again when God calls me to my heavenly home.

Sarah B Bond - May 29, 2024 at 02:12 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Tom Howard Newman.



May 27, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Tom Howard Newman.



May 26, 2024 at 09:38 PM

ML

“ Susanne, we just the other day was talking about Tom. We enjoyed our time with him in real estate. He was the nicest, most polite gentleman. Could fix anything, and was always willing to try. He truly will be missed. Sending our most sincere thoughts and sympathy.

Martha and Larry LeCroy

Martha LeCroy - May 26, 2024 at 08:24 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Mr. Tom Howard Newman.



May 26, 2024 at 06:43 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mr. Tom Howard Newman.



May 26, 2024 at 06:25 PM

RH

“ My wife and I served with Tom at Foothills for many years. He always had a smile for everyone. He would jump in and do whatever was needed. He could walk faster than me everything we took up the offering. We called him TOM TOM. Love this man like a brother. So sorry for yours and our lose.

Ronald Hough - May 26, 2024 at 03:52 PM