



Thomas Northrup Tegge

December 28, 1932 - November 29, 2018

Thomas N. Tegge age 85 of Dixon, died Thursday Nov. 29, 2018 at The Reserve of Geneva, IL. He was born Dec. 28, 1932 in Watseka, IL the son of Harold E. and Mary Wilma (Northrup) Tegge. Tom received his Bachelors Degree from Butler University and his Masters Degree from DePauw University. He taught history at Oak Park-River Forest High School from 1960 to 1992 and then taught at Sauk Valley Community College from 1992 to 2012. Tom was a veteran of the United States Air Force from 1955 to 1958 and attained the rank of Captain.

He was a member of St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon, Dixon Elks Lodge 790, and Sigma Chi Fraternity.

Tom married Shirley Joyal Nov. 3, 1956 in Indianapolis, IN. She preceded him in death on January 10, 2004 as did his grandson, Colin Marciniak on July 21, 2009.

He is survived by his children, Scott (Kristi) Tegge of Geneva, Mark (Judy) Tegge of Cedarburg, WI, Jeff (Nancy) Tegge of Geneva, Wendy (Butch Smith) Taylor of Webb Lake, WI, Mike (Natalie) Tegge of Gilbert, AZ, Katy (Chad) Radcliff of Plainfield, 17 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister Susan Skeoch of Florida.

Mass of Christian burial will be on Monday Dec. 10, 2018 at 11:00 AM in St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon. Burial will follow at Daysville Cemetery in rural Oregon, IL with Military Honors by the Combined Veterans Group.

Visitation will be on Monday from 9:00 AM to 10:45 AM at the church. In lieu of

flowers please send donations to St Jude Children's Hospital or Wounded Warriors.

Cemetery Details

Daysville Cemetery

3303 Daysville Rd.
Oregon, IL 61061

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon
612 S. Highland Ave.
Dixon, IL 61021
(815) 284-7719
office@stpatrickdixon.comcastbiz.net
<http://www.stpatrickdixon.org>

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Northrup Tegge*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Thomas Northrup Tegge*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Dear old neighbors. Growing up next door to you all was an honor and joy. Both your mom and dad were wonderful friends and role models. I tried to be like your dad as I forged a career teaching. So many memories... your dad had the greatest laugh. While older, I remember all of you and wish you peace. Your father and mother were extraordinary people.*

Jill Rubenstein Rosenbaum - December 26, 2018 at 05:09 PM



“ *Tegge Family, find comfort in knowing the profound impact your Dad had on so many lives over so many years of teaching and sharing his life experiences. How many people traveled the world or embarked on a life-changing mission because of what they learned in his classroom? We all salute him! You all continue to carry on the legacy of such wonderful parents and you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*J.D. & Kaymarie Holt Family
Arlington, VA*

Jeff Holt - December 08, 2018 at 03:02 PM

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“ Dear members of the Tegge family—I wanted to express my deepest sympathies to you on Tom’s passing. He’ll always be “Mr. Tegge” to me, as he was my American Government and World History teacher during my time at OPRFHS. But it was taking Far Eastern History from him that is my most vivid memory, as this course would be a life-changing educational experience for me, and set me on a course to discover and pursue my eventual professional calling as a Chinese language educator. As a teenager, I remember his corny jokes in class, how he would always print everything and never handwrite it, and how his class gave me a firm understanding of 19th and 20th century Chinese history which has been so important for me in understanding China’s recent rise on the international scene. The Buddhist proverb, “When the student is ready, the teacher will appear,” comes to mind when I think of my good fortune in knowing Tom, and I’m happy that during the course of our professional careers, we could get together from time to time and share thoughts about our lives, travels, and families. I was blessed to have him as a mentor and will always remember Tom with great fondness.

Michael Everson
Lorton, Virginia

Michael Everson - December 07, 2018 at 09:51 AM

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“ Mr. Tegge was an influential part of my OPRFHS education. He was the best of teachers. Sincere condolences to the Tegge family,
Michelle Yardley Myler

M Myler - December 06, 2018 at 11:10 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Thomas Northrup Tegge.



December 06, 2018 at 12:36 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Thomas Northrup Tegge.



December 06, 2018 at 11:36 AM



“ *Tender Tribute* was purchased for the family of Thomas Northrup Tegge.



December 05, 2018 at 01:53 PM

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“ To the family of Thomas Tegge,

Mr. Tegge made a video record of the reminiscences of our husband and father's experiences as a Japanese American soldier in the Air Corps in WWII—one of hundreds of American war veterans' stories which I've learned that Mr. Tegge filmed. (See <http://srfhs.com/component/jcalpro/19-srfhs-events/35-oral-history-my-work-with-veterans?Itemid=101>)

He also took the time and effort to submit these video records to the Veteran's History Project at the Library of Congress, which has preserved veterans' stories, and made them available to the public. Mr. Tegge's work helped inspire our family, and no doubt others, to submit further documentation, letters, and photographs to that program.

With gratitude for his interest in veterans' stories and for his extensive work, we offer our condolences and our thanks!

*Wilma and Kenjalin Ogata
(Veteran: Kenje Ogata)*

Kenjalin Ogata - December 04, 2018 at 10:12 PM