



Mr. Tommy Clay Howell

September 6, 1941 - November 4, 2014

Mr. Tommy Clay Howell, age 73, of Bell Buckle, passed away Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

Funeral services will be 7 PM Friday, November 7, 2014, at Feldhaus Memorial Chapel.

Burial will be 12 PM EST Saturday, at Sweetwater Valley Memorial Park, in Sweetwater, Tennessee.

The family will receive visitors beginning at 4 PM Friday until time of service.

He was born September 6, 1941, in Roane County, Tennessee, to the late John Scruggs and Ethel Mae Armour Howell. He was a retired trainer of Tennessee Walking Horses, a judge at the Celebration on numerous occasions, and a member of New Beginnings Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Roberta Kidd Howell, of Bell Buckle; two step-sons, Darren Kidd, of Murfreesboro, and Jason Kidd, of Lewisburg; favorite mother in law, Evelyn Richards, of Lynchburg; step-daughter, Krystal Neal, of Murfreesboro; a brother, John Howell, of Athens, TN; three sisters, Mary Pickel, of Athens, Peggy (Tom) Lee, of Loudon, TN, and Linda Glass, of Murfreesboro; two grandchildren, Madison Kidd, and Brandon Kidd; nieces and nephews, Courtney Bohannon, Leslie Glass, Chris Pickel, Forrest Lee, Jeff Lee, Tom Lee, and Gary Howell.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

ET

“ *East TN Walking Horse Trainers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Tommy Clay Howell.*



East TN Walking Horse Trainers - November 07, 2014 at 09:48 AM

JE

“ *Howell family, Tommy was the first trainer to put me in the show ring. I spent many hours in his practice ring in Athens. He took my stirrups away and thought me how to ride the horse balancing on my own. He was always had a smile or giggle when you said something to him. Recently he has been very kind to my daughter, he was around when she was born. Bless the family and God be with you. Jo Eldridge-Craighead*

Jo Eldridge-Craighead - November 06, 2014 at 10:42 AM

PV

Hi Jo...fond memories...from Pam

Pamela Long Vasquez - November 07, 2014 at 02:12 PM

PB

“ *Tommy was a great guy, my husband(Sam) and I worked off and on for several years for him, if you were willing to listen he would teach you a thing or two about horses. He was dedicated to the walking horse business and he will be missed by many.RIP Tommy*

Pat Brackett - November 05, 2014 at 07:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Tommy Clay Howell.*



November 05, 2014 at 02:58 PM



“ *Tommy was a "one of a kind man". My brother (Don) and I (Carol) got to know him after renting a storage building from him, then a space in his store at Bell Buckle. He would do anything to help us out or just sit and talk with us for hours. We went to a lot of estate sales together and always helped each other haul our loads back to storage. Roberta we love you and Miss Evelyn and we are so sorry for your loss and we will be there for whatever you may need. Tommy, we know you are with your heavenly father now free of pain, but are pain runs deep from the loss of such a kind and wonderful person who has always treated us like family. We love you and miss deeply already. I think I will start collecting Roosters and Cats in your honor.*

*Don & Gwen Harris
Michael & Carol Barrett*

Don Harris & Carol Barrett - November 04, 2014 at 05:25 PM



Met tommy at whitey. When he died. A great guy!!!! RIP. Tommy

duane carney - November 05, 2014 at 04:58 PM



Tommy was a true southern gentleman. Always with a smile on his face and a kindness in his voice. A friend to any and a comfort to us all who were his friends. May he rest in peace!!!

mack dekle - November 06, 2014 at 01:33 PM

JO

Tommy put me in the ring for the first time 31 years ago. Always had a smile or giggle for everyone. God be with all the family. Thanks for the memories.

Jo-Eldridge-Craighead - November 06, 2014 at 04:52 PM

TM

*Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. We were friends with Tommy over a long span of years.
Ronald & Terri Mosley*

Terri Mosley - November 06, 2014 at 05:23 PM

DK

I first met Tommy when we were both just kids and showing horses. I kept in touch with him when I was a student at TWC in Athens and he had the barn there. He was always so nice to me and a true Southern gentleman. RIP, friend.

Debby Pollard Koger - November 06, 2014 at 09:29 PM

DM

*Dick and I have been friends with Tommy for many years. We have many memories and lots of laughs. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. RIP!
Dick & Joyce Myers*

Dick & Joyce Myers - November 07, 2014 at 11:15 AM