



Thomas E. Pickett

September 2, 2013

Thomas E. Pickett, 61, died Monday, September 2, 2013 in Myrtle Beach, SC. Tom was born in Galion, Ohio to the late Robert and June Pickett. After graduating from Galion High School in 1970, he attended Miami University where he pledged Phi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and served as fraternity Treasurer and Captain of the tennis team. He graduated in 1974 with a degree in Computer and Information Science. Shortly after graduation, he married Janet Edwards at a small ceremony in Oxford, Ohio on July 20, 1974. Tom worked at Battelle Memorial Institute, started three companies-Tridacor, Votek and Singlepoint Systems-and also worked at Lucent Technologies. Most recently, he was employed at Qwest/CenturyLink. He was a devout Christian and was actively involved in his church, where he used his many talents to help those around him. Tom recently divided his time between Columbus and Myrtle Beach where he loved the company of good friends, good food and walking along the beach in the evenings. He is survived by his sons, Matthew and Andrew; daughter-in-law, Jennifer; former wife, Janet; brother, Gerry and sister-in-law, Kathy; and long-time friend, Annshar Hsu. A Memorial Service will be held beginning at 6 p.m. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 at HERITAGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 7413 Maxtown Road, Westerville, Ohio 43082 with Pastors Jim Zippay and Mike Smith, officiating. Casual attire is requested. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are requested to be sent to: Vista Community Church, 6065 Frantz Road, Suite 205, Dublin, OH 43017. Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 W. Olentangy St., Powell, OH 43065,

(614)-792-1471 assisted the family. Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com to send condolences to Tom's family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas E. Pickett*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *So, so, sorry to hear of Tom's passing. We have lost some good classmates, but this one really has been bothering me. All of my memories of Tom are great ones. My condolences to the family.*
Kenton

Kenton Musselman - September 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tom was a great guy. He assisted our family in a time of need as a member of Vista Community Church. God bless the family and know he will truly be missed.*

Wagner family - September 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tom was a dear brother-in-Christ to both my wife & I. We came to know him personally through dinners at our home and spending a few days with him at Myrtle Beach. We will miss Tom (very much) - he was a godly man, and we are looking forward to the day when we will see him again.*

Bob & Hyesuk Peltier - September 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ My deepest condolences go out to Tom’s family. Tom is diffidently a presence that will be missed. His smiling face and his ever willingness to help me with whatever questions I had, work or otherwise is something I will remember always! Thank you Tom and I’ m sure where ever you are, you are still smiling!

Sudha Pandari - September 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ I am really sorry for your lost. I didn't know Thomas however I feel I did. I fly from Charlotte to Columbus for Century Link every week and I truly believe I have flown up to Columbus next to Tom. I will miss his friendship in the air however I know he dosen't need a plane to fly anymore, just his wings.

gary crawford - September 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Condolences to the Pickett family. I had the pleasure of working with Tom this year and appreciated his intelligence enjoyed his wit. I’ll miss his hearty laugh. He had the heart and spirit of an entrepreneur – always looking for new ways to improve things. We went out to dinner together and spent the night talking about family – and I appreciated learning about his sons and friends, and his plans for the house on the beach. In a short time, he became my friend.

Carl Hopkins - September 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *My sincerest sympathy and condolences to Tom's family and Annshar. Tom visited me frequently during my recent recovery from a stem cell transplant and continued to keep in touch as I was recovering at home. He brought joy and laughter and sensibility to the worst of situations. He will be greatly missed by my family and me.*

Debra Kilzer Kurtz - September 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *I feel blessed to have known Tom as a good friend in the neighborhood, through High School, at Miami and then reconnecting a few years ago at Vista. He was always kind, helpful, funny, joyful, smart (very smart), talkative and quite talented on the Guitar and Trumpet. So glad I got to see and hear his singing debut during the Vista Christmas program. Tom's singing for the Lord was a great moment of praise and worship! My condolences to his family and close friends. While it's good to celebrate his life and his journey home, I can't imagine how much he will be missed by all of you. He was called home way too soon. God's Peace and Love.*

Cheri James Slinger - September 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *Condolences to the Pickett family. I will always remember Tom as a very smart and talented individual.*

Burt Place - September 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Tom was an amazing person. I really appreciated his attitude and his abilities. I also got the opportunity to appreciate his faith, and know that he is rejoicing in the presence of his savior. I have recently also lost my father and recieve comfort from knowing that I will see him again. May this also comfort you.

Jeff Hansen - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Our deepest condolences to all who have lost this wonderful person. Tom, I will miss our many great conversations on life and how to live it. You never shied away from your faith and wore it proudly, and for this, all should take comfort, as this man is truly in a better place, with his Lord.

Shawn Conner and Family - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ While I only had the pleasure of meeting Tom a couple of times, and only worked with him over a period of roughly 8 months - he was someone that stuck out in my memory from all of the people I would interact with, and I often found myself going back to the things he said throughout meetings, and either nodding my head in agreement at his analysis, or laughing hysterically at his comedic input.

He was a great person to work with - his insight, thought process, nurturing instinct and sheer wit made him a very strong piece in the IT industry, and he will be sorely missed.

To Tom's family, I wish to pass along my deepest condolences and prayers in this time and hope to offer some comfort by letting you know what a wonderful person he was, and such a pleasure to work with.

*Regards,
Gary Dolliver*

Gary Dolliver - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ While Tom was our neighbor, he was more. A friend first and a neighbor 2nd. His words of Christian wisdom was always inspiring. Often times we would discuss subjects which I was discussing with our St Joan Of Arc Men's Ministry. I will miss those conversations. I will miss Tom. Tom was a man who's math had to fit. To that, you have to love his "My Scientific Journey posting. His proof of God and his finding of the the Star of Bethlehem was DVD will always inspire me. This year we will watch the Star of the Bethlehem in a whole new way, knowing Tom now knows the Truth. We love you TOM PICKETT. May your soul find it's way to HOME.

Deb & Steve Helmrich Family - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ We were laughing, talking and relaxing with a glass of wine on Friday; Tom was our friend and he loved to dine at the Pier. It was wonderful to see him and everyone in the restaurant knew him and appreciated his kindness and humor. On Saturday he came into Sun City Cafe and had his "usual" which his friend the Chef, Cary Boyles prepared as he always does. The next day is still a mystery and one that makes me think of the wonderful memories he gave us before he transcended to a world where there is no pain and suffering; only a beautiful heaven accepting a beautiful spirit who will be missed. We love you Tom, you only enhanced our world by being in it; you left us too soon. With love and light, Tracey and Cary

Tracey Palmer - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Wanted to say how sorry I am to Tom's friends and family. He was taken much much too soon from this life. Old friend and great guitar player. Smart fella. I will miss him.

Brian Connell - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

2R

“ Tom is smiling down on us from Heaven now! He will be missed by all of us at 2nd Ave. Pier in Myrtle Beach. He was one of our most loyal customers and we loved when he was in town. He ate with us most mornings and evenings! We were shocked to hear of his passing on Monday. A few things I know about Tom from knowing him the last couple of years is that He loved the Lord, He cared about others, and He enjoyed life! I know he was welcomed with open arms in heaven. May that give his family comfort in this time of loss. We would love to meet you if you come to Myrtle Beach!

Tom, you are missed!

2nd Ave. Pier / Pier House Restaurant - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ From the Crase family, our thoughts and prayers are with all in this time of sorrow.

Dan Crase - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ To the Tom Pickett Family,
Our hearts are saddened with the news of Tom passing. Tom will be playing with the angels. Our deepest sympathies and prayers for your family.
Ron, Linda, Todd, Erika, Kipp, Brittany, Lahna, Ronnie Noelle, and Blakely Sue and Addison and Parker Dunnington.

Ron and Linda Nelson - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ We are so sorry too loose a childhood friend. We shared a wonderful visit in Hawaii last year. Our sympathy to Gerry and to Tom's family.

Nancy Edler Scully - September 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM