



## Thomas L. Rusk Sr.

September 28, 1948 - January 23, 2018

Thomas L. Rusk, Sr., age 69, of Morocco, Indiana passed away on January 23, 2018 at University Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana. Thomas was born in Rensselaer, Indiana on September 28, 1948, the son of Harold and Ruby (Martin) Rusk.

Thomas graduated from Mt. Ayr High School with the Class of 1967. He is a retired truck driver who spent his life fishing and fixing small engines.

Surviving are six children, Teresa (Troy) Cayton and Tina (Michael) Goodman, both of Goodland, IN, Christopher (Kythera) Rusk of Wheatfield, IN, Thomas L. Rusk, Jr. of Sheridan, IN, Mary (Jorge) Calero of Rensselaer, IN, and LuAnn (James) McGrath of Apple Valley, MN, along with sixteen grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and several half-brothers. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Myrna Rusk and Nancy Denham Rusk.

Friends may call at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 27, 2018 with funeral services being held at 2:00 p.m. Cremation will follow.

The Jackson Funeral Chapel is honored to assist the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
P.O. Box 70  
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## Service

JAN 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

MB

“ There are so many good memories of pops,that there is not enough room to share them all! I was brought into his life to help take care of granny. They both held a big part of my heart from day 1. I remember getting the call from Tina the night they transported him to Indy. Something in my heart told me to go see him before they transported him. I did. As they were putting pops in the ambulance,I grabbed his hand and told him to be good. He turned his head and his eyes opened. He knew I was there. I told him that we love him and his normal response was "uh huh". He is wearing his wings and dancing in the streets of gold with granny. I,like others,will miss him and always keep his memories alive. But I am glad he is free of pain and suffering. We love u pops! Fly high!!!



Mindy Bower - February 02, 2018 at 10:17 PM



Mindy... I just seen this. THANKS for ALL you did for Dad n Grandma! I couldn't ask for a better friend!

Tina Goodman - May 27, 2019 at 12:02 AM

MS

“ Sorry to hear of Tom's passing. He was always such a nice person. Such a gentleman. I feel grateful that he and his daughter came to Phil and Virginia' Leichty's get together before alumni in June. Was so good to get to see him and spend some time. May he rest in peace. Sincere sympathy for your profound grief. (I went to high school with Tom. Maiden name of Chorzempa.) He will be remembered fondly.

Maribeth Sharp - February 01, 2018 at 03:34 AM

DM

“ My condolences to Tom’s family. He was so kind to come to my Dad’s services last year, and I am sorry to learn of his passing. May you find comfort in your memories of his life.  
In sympathy,  
Deb (Rusk) Martin

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**Deborah Martin** - January 30, 2018 at 10:54 PM

RM

“ Chris, Mary, Tommy and LuAnn... Sorry to hear of the passing of your dad.  
We didn't realize he was sick. He was a very nice man and we always enjoyed him at the Murhig Reunions. We will remember you all in our thoughts and prayers.  
Love, Ron and Judith

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**Ron & Judith Maginot** - January 27, 2018 at 04:28 PM

MR

“ So sorry to learn about Tom's passing. I so appreciated his visit to the funeral home when his Uncle Richard passed away last February. I am sorry that I cannot do likewise but am unable to make the trip to Rensselaer today. I will remember you family in my prayers.  
Mary Ann Rusk

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**Mary Ann Rusk** - January 27, 2018 at 11:56 AM

TJ

“ I have so many memories of Dad(Tom). The one that will always stick out in my mind is when I helped Tina run away from where she was living. We had called Dad to let him know we were coming and he was ready for us. When we showed up he told us we had to go cause Mom(Sandy) had already called him. He kissed us on the heads and sent us off to Bev’s. Yrs later when we came together again we all got a good laugh about us being Thelma and Louise. Fly High Dad and keep looking down upon all of us. Always loved and never forgotten...

Tracy Jewell - January 26, 2018 at 09:32 PM



Tracy I just seen this... THANK you Sis for ALWAYS having my back!! Your the BESTEST Sister I could EVER ask for!!

Tina Goodman - May 27, 2019 at 12:06 AM

TJ

“ Tracy Jewell lit a candle in memory of Thomas L. Rusk Sr.



Tracy Jewell - January 26, 2018 at 09:21 PM

ML

“ Martha Langlely lit a candle in memory of Thomas L. Rusk Sr.



Martha Langlely - January 26, 2018 at 06:31 PM