



Thomas "Tom" Henry Rasmussen

June 3, 1941 - June 21, 2026

Thomas Henry Rasmussen, 85, Bend, Oregon died June 21, 2026 in his home with his daughter and son-in-law by his side.

Tom "Tommy" was born on June 3, 1941 in Portland, Oregon to Edgar and Florida Rasmussen. He was the second born child to Edgar and first-born child to Florida. He grew up in the Portland area and attended Benson Polytechnic High School. While in High School, he enjoyed drafting, engineering, and other science classes. Tom joined the Navy in July of 1959, and was trained in the electronics program. He completed four years of service. It was in the Navy, while on leave that he met his wife and the love of his life. Tom and Mary Lou were married March 31, 1962.

The newlyweds moved back to Oregon where Tom worked with his dad to build the Rasmussen Village apartments that still stand today in Portland, Or off of Barbur Blvd. Later, Tom and Mary Lou moved to Cottage Grove to try their hand at ranching. After a few years of this, they moved to Bend, Or in 1978. Tom bought and managed a block of apartment buildings in downtown Bend for many years. In the mid 90's Tom and Mary Lou retired in their favorite place, a plot of land out east of town with a beautiful view of the mountain range. It is here on the property where they opened their home and space to family for over 30 years of family reunions.

Tom was known as an intelligent, loving man with a mischievous side. He was always curious and slow to judge. He enjoyed a good laugh and deep philosophical discussions with whomever was willing to enter into them with him.

He is survived by his two children, son Andy (Ammie) Rasmussen and daughter Marnee (Chad) Alfson, two grandchildren, Wade (Hailey) Alfson and Makenna (Shawn) Grandmont along with two great-grandchildren, Warner Grandmont, and Evelyn Alfson. Along with his two sisters, Sue (Hugh) Spry and Linda (Bob) Misterek.

Tom will be laid to rest at the Greenwood Cemetery on July 27, 2026 in Bend, Oregon. In lieu of flowers the family asks that you would consider donating to Partners in Care (<https://www.partnersbend.org/donate/>), the hospice organization that took exceptional care of Tom in the last months of his life. Tom will be greatly missed by his family. He was the rock that held many together.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

NE 12th St.
Bend, OR 97701
(541) 382-2471
<http://www.Niswonger-Reynolds.com>

Upcoming Events

Burial

JUL 27 (PT)

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