



## Thomas Birt

February 10, 1950 - January 31, 2011

Born Feb. 10, 1950 in Indianapolis, IN to Charles and Frances Birt, Tom was a "geek" from his early years. He began rewiring lamps and electrical outlets at the age of 4. From there he graduated to ham radio and building televisions. There were not many jobs around the house that Tom couldn't do. He earned a BS in computer science from Rose Hulman University in Terre Haute, IN. He met Annette Etter on Good Friday in 1975 at TGI Fridays and they married later that year. Tom was a systems analyst for most of his career in the oil and aviation industries. In recent years he embarked on a part time real estate career. Tom enjoyed giving to others in his family and in the community. Over the years he was a Girl Scout, band parent, frequent blood donor, and had been a volunteer at Grapevine Relief and Community Exchange in the clinic and technology center. Always eager to help others he was a role model of the highest caliber for all who knew him. In lieu of Flowers please make a memorial contribution to the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Survivors: He is survived by his loving wife Annette; son, Greg Birt and wife Leticia; daughter, Candace Southern and husband Derek; and 5 grandsons.

# Tribute Wall

JS

“ At Candace's wedding it was 100 degrees and Tom was dressed in a Tuxedo. I remember John Etter saying that "Tom is my hero because he hasn't taken off his coat in this weather!"

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**Jean Sowell** - February 08, 2011 at 03:43 PM

SM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you journey through this hard time. Tom was a great help at the Weichert office when we were there working with him. God Bless, Stacye Norton Miller

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**Stacye Miller** - February 08, 2011 at 03:12 PM

ME

“ Tom was very talented with electronics and always ready to share his knowledge to help family and friends. I am sorry that I am unable to attend Tom's memorial service. An hour of Eucharistic Adoration, a rosary, and Chaplet of Divine Mercy were offered for the Birt family and the repose of Tom's soul.

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**Mindy Etter** - February 07, 2011 at 08:54 PM

VH

“ I remember when we all watched the duck parade at the Peabody during ASHP and what a great and funny guy he was.

*I just want you to know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Vickie Holton** - February 07, 2011 at 02:27 PM

SS

“ Tom was my host dad for one year. He was a very special and loving person. I am very glad that I got the chance to meet him and spent wonderful times with him and his family. He will always be in my heart and my memories.

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**Svenja Schreurs** - February 07, 2011 at 01:57 PM

CM

“ Tom's daughter Candace was my college roommate and is my best friend. Tom and Annette became second parents to me in college. I'll never forget Tom and my dad rewiring our dorm room so that everything was the way Candace and I wanted it (it's a good thing Tom was an electrical expert and my dad a fire chief). Tom was a wonderful husband and father who was always extremely generous. My thoughts and prayers go out to Annette, Candace and Greg! I love you all!

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**Carmelle Malkovich** - February 06, 2011 at 07:06 PM

RC

“ I met Tom when I worked at Weichert, Realtors - All Points Properties. From the get go, he was willing and able to help around the office. He was a nice and caring person and loved his family. Tom was selfless and always willing to lend a hand. I know Tom will be missed by many!

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**Rosemary Croney** - February 06, 2011 at 05:12 PM

WS

“ Tom was the best host father for our daughter Svenja when she was over for a year as an exchange student in Texas living with him and his family. He was a man really caring for his family and also others. We met him twice for a holiday in Texas and also sharing a holiday with him in Germany when he with his wife Annette visited us. We will keep him in our minds to hold this honourable man alive in our memories.

*Willi and Marita with Svenja and Kathrin*

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**Willi & Marita Schreurs** - February 06, 2011 at 01:39 PM

LG

“ It was a pleasure to know and work with Tom at Weichert. He was a certain asset to the team with his computer skills and a pleasure to engage in casual conversation. My heart goes out to his family.

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**Lisa Good** - February 05, 2011 at 05:57 PM

JB

“ Tom was always there for everyone. He was funny, outrageous sometimes, and optimistic. He was a joy to be around. I won't forget Tom waiting for Steve and I at the bottom of the escalator at DFW when Irene was in the hospital. I hope he is there in spirit when I come down that same escalator this week to help me through the days ahead.

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**Jill Bennet** - February 05, 2011 at 12:19 PM