



## Dr. Thomas E. Griffin

May 12, 1950 - January 4, 2022

Dr. Thomas E. Griffin (Pappie, Tom, Tommy, Dr. G), age 71 or Troy, died of Glioblastoma (brain cancer) on January 4, 2022, on Griffin Ranch in Troy, Texas. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, S. Gayle Griffin, of Troy, Texas; his son, Joshua T. Griffin of Troy, Texas; granddaughters, Alexia Martin, Tatum McFarland, Riley Grace Griffin, Ryder Cayleigh Griffin, and Aubrey Taylor Griffin of Texas; brother, George Griffin and his wife Vicky of Pickens, S.C.; sisters, Jane Banks and husband Calvin of Pickens, S.C. and June Latimer and husband Joe of Honea Path, S.C.; Trent Cates "Radar" of Troy, Texas, Kellyjean Hayes of Troy, Texas, and extended families Pat and Earl Reynolds, Debbie and Tony Garrett, Sheri and Hal Wingo, Bill and Sharon Nalley of S.C., plus many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Griffin of Pickens, S.C. his mother Catherine Griffin of Pickens, S.C. Dr. Griffin was born on May 12th, 1950 in Pickens S.C., to parents Robert and Catherine Griffin. He graduated from Nova Southeastern University in Davie, Florida with a Doctoral Degree in Business Administration. He facilitated online classes in multiple universities. A few of the Universities he taught at were Nova Southeastern University, Southern New Hampshire University, University of Phoenix, Ohio Christian University, and Columbia International University.

He was a social, active man who was deeply involved in family and mentoring students in furthering their education for the majority of his life.

The services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday January 15, 2022 in the

chapel of Mountain View Pickens, SC. The family will greet with friends following the memorial service.

Arrangements in care of Mountain View Funeral Home. Online condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting [www.mountainviewfunerals.com](http://www.mountainviewfunerals.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Mountain View Funerals and Cremations - Pickens Chapel

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# Tribute Wall

JO

“ Gayle,

*Tom was the kind of leader who never had to raise his voice to command respect. His calm strength, unwavering integrity, and sense of humor made him someone people naturally looked up to, not just because he was the boss, but because he was the kind of man you wanted to follow.*

*As a veteran, he knew how to get the job done, but he also knew the value of people—their stories, their struggles, and their potential. Though he's no longer with us, the example Tom set, both as a soldier and a leader, will always stay with us. His service to his country, his loyalty to his team, and his kindness to everyone around him are what we'll always remember.*

*Rest well, Tom. Your legacy lives on in the people you guided, inspired, and cared for.*

*Qidong & Yihong*

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**Jordan** - May 31, 2025 at 09:28 PM

AS

“ Asha lit a candle in memory of Dr. Thomas E. Griffin



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**Asha** - August 12, 2022 at 11:58 PM

AS

“ He was my husbands mentor and very respected and loved by all. My husband always spoke very highly of him and was trying to call his number today only to realize his number doesn't exist. We did a google search only to find out he had passed on. Our deepest condolences to his family. We will always remember him with love and warmth! Om Shanti

Asha - August 12, 2022 at 11:57 PM

AG

“ Gayle and Family - we just learned of Thomas' s passing and are so sorry we didn't know earlier. We will keep you in our prayers and trust God to comfort your hearts and give you sweet and precious memories of one that you hold so dear. Rev. Roger and Ann Gwinn

Ann Gwinn - January 15, 2022 at 02:13 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Thomas E. Griffin.



January 12, 2022 at 03:01 PM

MB

“ Gayle and Family-

Just wanted to express my condolences and say I sure felt "lucky" to know and work with Tom. He was a big help to us at Columbia International University and finished his last class well in November, 2021!

Mark Beadle - January 10, 2022 at 05:05 PM

DS

“ Gayle,  
*I was so sorry to receive this news. Please be assured of our continued prayers for you and your family during this time of transition and loss. Tom was a valued member of my team at SWU and always appreciated his humor and positive spirit. Tom was a "can do" guy, great teacher and leader. So pleased to have had the opportunity to journey with him for a time.*  
*David J. Spittal*

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**David J. Spittal** - January 10, 2022 at 04:59 PM

JK

“ *Tommy was my first cousin and I Loved him so much. I was not ready for him to leave us. He will always be my friend and he didn't deserve what happened to him* 🇺🇸  
*May be rest in peace now and know that we all Loved you* ❤️ *He is with his mother and father now. We will never forget you. Sending prayers to all of you* 🙏🙏🙏

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**Jean Griffin Keown** - January 10, 2022 at 12:01 AM

HT

“ *Harold Turner lit a candle in memory of Dr. Thomas E. Griffin*



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**Harold Turner** - January 08, 2022 at 08:22 PM

VI

“ *Jane and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. May God give you peace and comfort through this difficult time. Sending Prayers,* 🙏  
*Sincerely, Vickie Nealey Reynolds*

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**Vickie** - January 08, 2022 at 05:07 PM

MH

“ George, Jane and Family-Sorry for your loss and will pray for peace.

*Marc and Lib Hayes*

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**Marc Hayes** - January 08, 2022 at 04:56 PM

MS

“ Jane and Family,  
Saddened to hear of the death of your dear brother. May the Lord be your strength in the days ahead.

*Love,  
Martha Seaborn*

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**Martha Seaborn** - January 08, 2022 at 03:50 PM

SG

“ George, Betty, June  
So sorry to hear about Tom passed. He was a very nice and friendly person. He will be missed by family and friends. May The Lord Comfort all of you during this sad time. Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you. He will be missed.

*Shirley Diane Hutto Grant  
Linda Hutto Aiken  
Galloway*

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**Shirley Diane Hutto Grant** - January 07, 2022 at 07:34 PM

SG

“ Shirley Diane Hutto Grant lit a candle in memory of Dr. Thomas E. Griffin



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**Shirley Diane Hutto Grant** - January 07, 2022 at 07:28 PM