

Effingham, KS



Thomas A. Gregg, Jr., 76 of Effingham, KS, died Tuesday, February 26, 2019 following extended treatments for multiple myeloma.

A gathering of family and friends will be held at Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home on Friday, March 1, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. A private funeral services will be held with Pastor Robert Ziegler, of Trinity Lutheran Church, officiating. Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Trinity Lutheran Church or Wayside Waifs Animal Shelter. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.beckerdyer.com.

Tom was born on May 9, 1942 in Nashville, Tennessee, the only child of Thomas A. and Margaret (Withers) Gregg. Tom and Carol Reder were married July 22, 1978 in a double ceremony at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Nortonville, with Carol's sister, Nancy Reder and Kenneth Young. The couple celebrated 40 years of marriage in 2018.

Tom received a Bachelors of Science degree in Pharmacy in 1966 and graduated from the first Doctor of Pharmacy class at the University of Tennessee in Memphis in 1969. He practiced pharmacy at Methodist Hospital, Memphis, TN; North Kansas City Hospital, N. Kansas City, MO; and Tom established the pharmacy consultant firm, Institutional Pharmacy Services.

Tom enjoyed advancing his education and while still working earned a BA in Psychology from the University of Missouri, Kansas City; Masters in Business Administration from Rockhurst College; and a Masters in Health Care Administration from Central Michigan University.

After having served as a volunteer for the Boy Scouts of America, Tom also worked for eight years as a scout professional.

Tom finished his working career at the Atchison Hospital as the Behavioral Health Director. Tom also helped care for his mother-in-law, Corinne Reder, for many years.

Tom enjoyed watching sports, power walking and running and he participated in the Hospital Hill Marathon. Tom enjoyed country living in rural Effingham.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his wife, Carol, and his beloved dog, Blackie.

Other survivors include brothers and sisters in laws; Wally Reder, Ernie and Diana (Reder) Hobbs, Kenneth and Nancy (Reder) Young; and his nieces and nephews whom he dearly loved to entertain when they were all younger.