



## Tom Duran

August 19, 1941 - January 24, 2022

Tom Duran of Searcy graduated to glory on January 24, 2022. He was born on August 19, 1941, in Santa Barbara, California.

Tom has been married to his wife, Diane and passed away on their 61st Anniversary. They have three adult children. Debbie, David, and Danny. They have given them eight grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

Tom's life's dream was to own his own restaurant. In Searcy he realized his dream with the town's first Mexican restaurant called Tom's Place. After Tom's Place, he joined KFC and spent sixteen years serving the community. He had an infectious laugh and a pleasing personality. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend. He loved the Lord and we are celebrating his remarkable life.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Mary Jane Duran, sister Pauline Luera.

Survived by wife, Diane; daughter, Debbie; sons, David (Rossanna), Danny (Rebecca) ; one sister, Vera; many nieces, nephews, and Gooch (Shannon Hazlitt); 8 Grandchildren, Bethany, Thomas, Danielle, Veronica, Aaron, Kayla, Daelin, Mia; 11 Great grandchildren, Cloey, Malikai, Cullen, Haydon, Gaebrial, Lydia, Stella, Ellie, Genebee, John, Kairi.

Visitation will be at Searcy First Assembly of God on Friday, January 28, 2022 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with the funeral service at 1:00 p.m. Interment will be at Weir Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home, Searcy. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 28. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Searcy First Assembly of God  
101 S. Benton St.  
Searcy, AR

## Funeral Service

JAN 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

Searcy First Assembly of God  
101 S. Benton St.  
Searcy, AR

## Interment

JAN 28 (CT)

Weir Cemetery  
3155 Hwy. 267 S.  
McRae, AR 72102

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ I remember Tom's Place was the place to go back in the day❤️ I love this family so much, my heart hurts for the precious loss of this great man . He loved his family so much. I have awesome memories of Tom, he was always smiling and enjoying life in whatever he was doing, rather it being at work or out with his sweet daughter doing thier thing together ❤️ Prayers for my sweet friend, her precious mom and the rest of the family❤️🙏 love you guys  
Carol Hawkins

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**Carol Hawkins** - January 27, 2022 at 09:46 PM

AT

“ So sorry for your loss. Tom's Place was never forgotten Elvira and I enjoyed going see the Durans at the Mexican Restaurant and then at church. Tom will be missed that is for sure sending prayers to the family Armon Turner



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**Armon Turner** - January 27, 2022 at 07:22 PM

CF

“ Tom's Place was never forgotten. Nor the years of distance I still want some of Tom's good Mexican food. So sorry for your loss. Tom was a good man. Our prayers are with y'all.

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**Christie Finley** - January 27, 2022 at 02:54 PM

CF

“ Very Sorry to hear this. So many memories of going to Toms Place when I was little. I will never forget them. The best food ever!! Prays and love for the family during the days to come.

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**Candice Childers Finley** - January 27, 2022 at 12:12 PM

MW

“ So sorry to hear this. Our family always loved yours! Your daddy always had a smile and a kind word. Prayers for all of you.

Mary Beth Weir Waters - January 26, 2022 at 08:39 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tom Duran.



January 26, 2022 at 06:33 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tom Duran.



January 26, 2022 at 06:08 PM

LB

“ I worked for Tom and Diane in their restaurant when I was 16; my first job. I remember him being stern when needed, but loving and kind most other times. My heart goes out to the family.



Leah (Faith) Brooks - January 26, 2022 at 12:08 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Tom Duran.*



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January 26, 2022 at 11:41 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tom Duran.*



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January 26, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ *May loving memories of Tom, sustain family and friends during this time of loss, and may you all find comfort in God's word.*

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**Wayne Helms II** - January 26, 2022 at 09:41 AM



“ *Not all humans use their time on earth to impact others. Tom helped me persevere through my college years and I always will be grateful for that. He always made me smile during my shifts at KFC and sometimes that's all a homesick person needs. My condolences to Tom's beloved family. RIP my friend.*



*Jena Marks  
Sending love from Virginia*

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**Jena Marks** - January 26, 2022 at 09:36 AM

BW

“ *First time I meet the Durans was at the Mexican Restaurant and then at church Tom will be missed that is for sure sending prayers*



**B Webbs** - January 25, 2022 at 10:35 PM

DF

“ *There are too many to list..but I remember the fun times running around LA down to Mexico...and you keeping me from being arrested in Tijuana never will forget "where were you born?" And someone in the car all freaked out says "Phoenix, Arizona!" Bahahaha...fun times!!! Love you Tom!!!*



**Dayna Franks** - January 25, 2022 at 10:08 PM

CK

“ *One of my only memories of Mr. Tom was helping him plant his rose bushes along his fence. He absolutely loved his roses. 🌹🌸*



**Cody King** - January 25, 2022 at 09:11 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tom Duran.*



January 25, 2022 at 09:08 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Tom Duran.* ”



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January 25, 2022 at 08:46 PM