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Passed away Saturday morning March 28, 2015, a beautiful Spring morning which he would have loved. Tommy was born at home in Harlingen, Texas to Dorothy Louise Shelton and Albert Joe Tucker. He married Carolyn Jean Thomas, who he grew up next door to, on February 4, 1961. Her brother Don Thomas was a lifelong friend and some of his happiest memories were from the times they spent together with all of their friends growing up in the Valley. Tommy and "Shorty" recently celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary at L'auberge Du Lac Hotel and Casino. Tommy graduated from Harlingen High School in 1956. He went to Austin College in Sherman, Texas from 1956-59 and later the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas from 1959-64, completing his internship in 1965 and performing his residency from 1968-69. After finishing his residency the US Air Force shipped him and his family to Anchorage, Alaska from 1968-71. He left the Air Force as a Major in 1971. Tommy then returned to San Antonio to open his own Psychiatry practice which he operated from 1971-2000. Tommy is preceded in death by his mother Dorothy Louise Shelton, father Albert Joe, brother Albert Ross, and Son Timothy Joe Tucker. He is survived by his wife Carolyn, son Terry Jennifer Ellerbe, son Troy Angela Tucker, as well as his grandchildren Thomas, Tiffany, and Alexandra Tucker and his brother John Robert Tucker. Tommy loved his family and did everything he could for them. He always had a kind word to say to anyone and everyone he ever met, and a good joke to

tell, inappropriate or otherwise. He was also a great listener to whoever needed help with their problems and could always give good advice. Helping people with their problems was something he enjoyed more than anything. He loved reading and liked looking out of his ranch window to see the deer and the sunsets, piddling around and playing in the dirt tending his flowers at all hours of the day and night, and playing cards and a variety of board games with family and friends. He enjoyed travelling to Sunny Sands in South Padre island and could often be seen wearing his light blue terry cloth pool jacket and dark blue swim trunks as he dug around sand dunes planting grass. He was truly a great man who will be missed by all who knew him.

SERVICES

A visitation will be held at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North Wednesday April 1, 2015 from 6:00-9:00 pm. The family requests that y'all dress comfortably and in spring colors as that's what Tommy would have appreciated most. A church service will be held at 2:00 pm on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at Oak Ridge Baptist Church located at 10915 Vance Jackson Rd, San Antonio, TX 78230. Interment will follow at Mission Burial Park North at the Dominion. A reception will follow the graveside service at Oak Ridge Baptist Church.