



## Thomas Leslie Scruggs

March 30, 1938 - February 25, 2022

Thomas Leslie Scruggs

In our most loving memory of Thomas Leslie Scruggs who went to be with our Lord on February 25th, 2022.

Thomas was born March 30th, 1938 in Tullahoma TN. He is now in heaven with his beloved wife, Debra-Dew Scruggs. He is survived by his nine children, Noel (Jennifer)Unruh, Margaux (Matthew)Moschera, Adrian Scruggs, Marthe-Bette (Joseph)Crocco, Debra-Drew (Brian)Burgess, Adrianna (Edwin)Moore, Angelia (Paul)Elcan, Alexis Scruggs, Markian Scruggs, and 16 grandchildren.

Thomas lived an extraordinary life, filled with travels and adventures that were made possible to him through his dedicated time spent in the United States Airforce. One of many exceptional achievements, he was most proud of was achieving Colonel – USAF.

Thomas enjoyed flying his privately owned Maule airplane that he purchased with his wife Debra. Debra's passion for flying grew when Thomas taught her to fly and helped her obtain her pilots license. She often spoke of the freedom she received when Thomas encouraged her to fly. Even as a young child he would lay beneath an Ash tree in TN, and watch the planes fly over and dream of the day that it would be him.

He always told his children "The only limits are those that you impose upon yourself and Dream, Believe, and take action" -Thomas Scruggs. If he could dream it, he would do it.

He was a proud conservative, southerner, who loved and fought for his country. He will truly be missed by many (children, friends, relatives, and his cat Tom-Tom.) He was a man many of his children's close friends looked up to as a father figure, or someone to give comfort in times of despair. His sense of humor was unmatched as was his kind words.

The family would also love to give a special thanks to the nurses and doctors who cared so dearly for our father in his time of illness especially Rachel Ferguson Chase, Malloree, Shelby McCartney, Morgan Kruse and Dr. Syed. A memorial service for Thomas Scruggs will be on March 1st, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. Location – Taylor and Modeen Funeral Home. 250 Center Street, Jupiter, FL 33458. Visitation is from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. before the service.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Fisher House Foundation for veterans at <https://fisherhouse.org>

Mr. Scruggs will be laid to rest at Eureka Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery in Irwin County, Chula, Georgia. on Friday March 4, 2022 at 2:00 P.M. Albritton Funeral Directors will be in charge of the interment.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 1. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home  
250 Center Street  
Jupiter, FL 33458  
(561) 744-2030  
<https://www.taylorandmodeenflorida.com>

## Funeral Service

MAR 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ He still is my grandfather no matter what. I’ve missed him even since he passed. I love him with all my heart. I have such fun memories with me and him. He loved all of us so very much and would do anything to protect us. My mother tells me all these stories about him, some funny, some heartwarming. I would do anything to bring him back. Even though it’s been two years, I felt the need to post this.



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**Anonymous** - April 10, 2024 at 05:35 PM



“ *Thomas Leslie Scruggs*

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October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *RIP Tom. Thanks for your dedication to our country, our friendship and all the little things you showed me to make me a better pilot back in the day. I wish America had many more like you.*

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**Robert Worcester** - March 28, 2022 at 11:01 AM

LC

“ I remember when I offered to allow his daughter, Markie , to come live with my family to help get her to school back to make sure she graduated high school!!! He was so kind , he called and came to my home ( I'm sure to make sure the environment was conducive for Markie to be successful) and he was so grateful and he allowed me to do that!!! Sadly, it was short lived as Markie missed her siblings too much and moved back home within 6 months!!! But he was a wonderful person and I was honored that he cared enough to come check me out!!! The Scruggs family is wonderful and I knew Debbie when she was younger at Graham Eckes school in Palm Beach!!! So we had a little history together!!!! Love you all to pieces!!! God bless wall during this very sad time!! My heartfelt thoughts and prayers for your healing!!!

liz cruise - February 28, 2022 at 05:28 PM

Sailina  
Hinrichs

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sailina Hinrichs - February 27, 2022 at 04:12 PM

MC

“ Megan Crockett sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Thomas Leslie Scruggs



Megan Crockett - February 27, 2022 at 01:50 PM

DK

*I am so sorry for your loss, but rest assured in the hope we have in Jesus that we will see him again! He's home now! Big hugs to you all, I'll never forget him or Debbie and all the wonderful times at Flora & Ella's when you children were babies. Praying you have peace!!*

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**Debbie Klemmer** - March 01, 2022 at 06:16 AM

MC

“ *Megan Crockett lit a candle in memory of Thomas Leslie Scruggs*



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**Megan Crockett** - February 27, 2022 at 01:50 PM