



## Thomas E. Cox

June 3, 1943 - June 3, 2022

Thomas E. Cox (Tommy), age 79 of Strawberry Plains, passed away peacefully in his home on his birthday, June 3, 2022. He had retired from Merita Bakery after over 30 years of service, and was a member of First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains. Tommy loved to fish and hunt, but especially loved being around his family. He was a kind and thoughtful person whose memory and selfless love will be in our hearts forever. Preceded in death by his wife, Shirley Cox of Strawberry Plains; parents, Elmer and Hazel Cox of Knoxville; brothers, Jack, Ronnie, Joseph, Don; and granddaughter, Megan Russell. Survived by sisters, Alene Mills of Strawberry Plains, Mary Ruth Wilder of Rutledge, Olaf (Dotie) Flynn of Knoxville, Bess (Clifford) Russell of Oliver Springs; brother, Huey (Linda) Cox; daughters, Debbie Russell of Oliver Springs, Melissa Cox Blaque of Knoxville; stepsons, Daryl (Beverly) Norton of Knoxville, Joseph "Wendy" (Danna) Norton of Strawberry Plains, and Steven Hensley; grandchildren, Stephani, Jennafer, and Laura Gadd, Joshua Norton, Susie Christian, Ashley King, Amber Sorrells; and numerous great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers please donate to the East Tennessee Kidney Foundation (<https://www.etkidney.org> 865-288-7351) or the Parkinson's Foundation (<https://www.parkinsons.org> 800-473-4636).

For the friends and loved ones of the community that wish to pay their respects, a Memorial Lie-in-State will be held from 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Saturday, June 11, 2022, at Fielden Funeral Home in New Market.



# Previous Events

## Memorial Lie In State

JUN 11. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fielden Funeral Home Inc.  
910 Churchview St  
New Market, TN 37820  
(865) 475-3468  
<https://www.fieldenfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am going to miss your laughter my friend. I will never see an old western, or a peanut butter shake but what I don't think of you. So many good memories. Save me a seat.  
~your torturer~

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**Sandra Norton** - June 15, 2022 at 08:42 AM

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“ My precious Daddy! I cannot say goodbye. I don't know how! My heart is broken. I have so many wonderful memories of my Dad. Going fishing, helping with his dogs he hunted with, everytime I saw him or spoke on the phone, and I can still hear him say, "I sure do love you." Or "Daddy loves you Missy." There's never been a better man or living soul. I can't wait to see you again Daddy.

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**Melissa "Missy" Cox-Blaque** - June 15, 2022 at 06:27 AM

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“ I always loved being around when uncle Tommy, uncle Huey and daddy Don would have squirrels and gravey, they would cut up and always blame each other of eating to much or different parts of the meat. I have great memories of when we were all young and all the reunions. Now uncle Tommy can unite with his love ones in heaven. My condolences to all his family and loved ones My prayers are with you.

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**Hazel (Cox) Holler (niece)** - June 09, 2022 at 06:44 AM

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“ Hazel (Cox) Holler (niece) lit a candle in memory of Thomas E. Cox



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**Hazel (Cox) Holler (niece)** - June 09, 2022 at 06:36 AM

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“ I have alot of fond memories of my uncle Tommy ! He was funny & had only give u that look when when we we're miss behaving ! He will be sadly missed but his pain & suffering is no more he's with his heavenly family now but will see him again one day my deepest condolences to all my aunt's & uncle's & family love & prayers to you all.



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**Marsha Young ( Niece )** - June 08, 2022 at 12:29 PM

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“ What a great guy! Prayers for comfort from me and Teresa.

*Gregg and Teresa Morgan*

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**Gregg Morgan** - June 06, 2022 at 01:26 PM