



Thomas A. Dykstra

August 16, 1942 - October 3, 2016

Thomas A. Dykstra, age 74 of St. Louis, MO, died Monday, October 3, 2016, in St. Louis, MO.

He was born on Sunday, August 16, 1942, in St. Louis, MO, the son of Robert and Lela Dykstra.

He married Mary L. Dykstra, nee Landolt, she survives in St. Louis, MO.

He was a member of Missouri National Education Association, recipient of an Emerson Excellence in Teaching Award.

Tom had two passions in life: He was a loyal Mizzou football fan, holding season tickets for over 40 years, and an adoring father and grandfather. He could talk politics or JFK conspiracy theories for hours on end. His generosity, passion for life, and kindness to all he met will be missed.

Survivors include:

Wife - Mary L. Dykstra, nee Landolt, St. Louis, MO

Daughter - Erin E. (Michael) Pleimann

Grandchild - Lily Pleimann

Grandchild - Asher Pleimann

Brother - Dan (Clarine) Dykstra

Brother - Peter (Susan) Dykstra

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Robert Dykstra

Mother - Lela Z. Dykstra

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Private graveside service and interment will be held at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Smile Train; Ronald McDonald House; or Wounded Warriors.