



## Mr. Joseph Thomas Hicks

December 19, 1956 - October 26, 2020

Joseph Thomas Hicks passed away peacefully on October 26th, 2020.

Survived by his Son,

Justin C. Hicks (Dreama), Jenna J. Kerschbaum (Brian), Two GrandChildren (Calia and

Camden), Step Mother Anita Hicks, Sister Angela Gronda (Ralph), Brother Daniel J. Hohman,

Sister Christina Hohman, and Sister Theresa Hohman and several nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by his mother Bernice Jacqueline Hicks and his father Joseph Arthur Hicks.

Growing up in Westland, MI, he received his pilot license at the young age of 16. He received

his Bachelor of Science degree in Flight Technology from Western Michigan University. He

dedicated most of his life to his love of aviation. Working as a corporate pilot, flight instructor

and taught private pilot ground school. Joe never knew a stranger and took a genuine curiosity

in people and their stories. He appreciated the little things in life. His sense of humor, generosity

and kindness will be missed by all.

In lieu of flowers, contributions could be made to Dawn Farm, Ann Arbor .

Dawn Farm is a

Michigan addiction treatment center with an emphasis on the recovering community. Dawn

Farm is a a 501c(3) non-profit organization.

There will be a celebration of Joe's life in June of 2021, more details to come.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joseph Thomas Hicks*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Well “Daaaling”, you have achieved the ultimate Peace you sought*



*Know you are loved* ❤️

**Susan** - November 07, 2020 at 11:35 AM



“ *I met Joe when we were flight instructors at Grosse Ile flight service in the late 1970s. We were all young flight instructors trying to build flight time to move on. We spent many hours together at the airport hanging out. Later in life I reconnected with Joe on face book and kept in touch that way. Joe was a great guy who will be truly missed. RIP my friend and keep the greasy side down.*✈️ **Ronald Skudlarek**

**Ronald Skudlarek** - November 04, 2020 at 10:32 PM



“ *The Haydens lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph Thomas Hicks*



**The Haydens** - November 01, 2020 at 02:02 PM

DT

“ So sorry to hear that Joe passed. I first met him in 1963 when our family moved in on Minerva Street. Long time friends during our young school years, street football, bike rides, flashlight tag at Minerva Court in front of his home. Years later I heard his name again as he graduated with my husband in the Aviation Program at WMU. So many moves and many years later everyone separates and loses touch but when you hear this news the sadness is felt but the memories bring that little smile when we take the time to appreciate the childhood years we had together. I am told by friends he had a great life, a family filled with adventures along the way. Please accept our condolences, Joe's old Minerva Street Childhood Friends.

May he rest in peace. Diane (Johnson) Thomas.

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**Diane (Johnson) Thomas** - November 01, 2020 at 01:36 AM

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**Susan** - November 06, 2020 at 07:34 PM

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“ I was a classmate of Joe's at John Glenn High. Joe was a very affable and popular student. He was a graceful diver on the swim team as well. We were able to spend a few days of golf together in Arizona while Joe was living here. We kept in touch during the past several years. He was always upbeat. Joe relished his friendships with Matt Wensko and Dr Tom Bird—fellow Rockets. So long old friend. Now you can rest easy.

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**Tom Harris** - October 31, 2020 at 10:54 AM

EF

“ We know this must be a very difficult and demanding time for you all. Continue to rely on God and know that he hears your prayers, because he cares for you. Truly sorry for your loss.

Evans family - October 31, 2020 at 06:36 AM

JH

“ My dad used to take Jenna & I to local hotels to do some swimming , this and countless other memories I will forever cherish . RIP Dad

Justin C Hicks - October 30, 2020 at 07:52 PM

JC

“ Joel And Cindy Clark lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph Thomas Hicks



Joel and Cindy Clark - October 30, 2020 at 06:26 PM

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Joel and Cindy Clark - October 30, 2020 at 06:24 PM

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“ Sleep in peace my wonderful brother and friend. Your big heart and ability to make me smile will be with me always. Danny

Dr Daniel J. Hohman, USN(ret) - October 30, 2020 at 05:12 PM