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**REMARKS**

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**DETAILS**

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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In addition to his work as a prosecutor, Tom was very active in civic organizations and public service. Tom served as a member of the Seattle Planning Commission, and was on the Mayor's Citizen Advisory Committee.

Thomas Wales is survived by two adult children.

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