



Thomas W Olson

September 3, 1949 - December 30, 2021

THOMAS WALTER OLSON, 72, passed away on Thursday, December 30th, 2021. He was born September 3, 1949 in Gary, Indiana, the son of Herbert G. and Shirley J. Olson. A longtime resident of Northwest Indiana, he worked in the steel industry for four decades before retiring. He enjoyed golf, playing softball, watching baseball, fishing, and any activity with his grandchildren. Tom is survived by his; siblings Glory (Paul) Hughes, Timothy (Kay) Olson, Archie Olson, Susan Olson, Debbie (Robert) Yetsko, Joseph (Denise) Olson, and Gary (Patricia) Winters, sons Thomas (Megan) Olson, Daniel (Alicia) Olson, and Paul (Sarah) Olson, daughters Paula (Brandon) Baisden, and MariJane Olson, step son John (Jennifer) Russell, 17 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, numerous nephews and nieces, and other loving family and dear friends. Tom was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Rick Olson and Dale Olson, and his sisters Candy Napier and Charlotte Johnson. Burial at Graceland Cemetery, Valparaiso, beginning with procession from Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street, Hobart, on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at 11 a.m. A celebration of life will be held later this year. In lieu of flowers, please make a charitable donation in Tom's name to a cause close to your heart. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Graceland Cemetery

1505 E. Morthland Drive
Valparaiso, IN 46383

Tribute Wall

EA

“ Uncle Tom, you will be missed. So many great memories from my childhood were spent in the house you helped to create. Last time we spent time together was at a Movie theater in Portage, he was there to spend time with his grandkids. Thank you for taking me fishing before I knew how great fishing really was. Cherish all the memories he gave us.

My condolences to the family, Love Eric

Eric Ashton - January 05, 2022 at 05:16 PM

RA

“ I hope that all the good memories of your Dad bring you comfort. May you always feel his pride and love. God Bless you in this difficult time. Love you guys, Aunt Julie

Robert Ashton - January 05, 2022 at 01:25 PM

YF

“ Your Four Winds family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas W Olson.



Your Four Winds family - January 04, 2022 at 01:56 PM

KB

“ Tommy, My Condolences to family and families, I have akot of good memries as a kid at your house with all, may you Rest in peace and rest high on that mountain in the Lord's arms!

Kathy metz- Barreiro - January 04, 2022 at 01:00 PM

LF

“ Uncle Tom, I’ll never forget your kindness, generosity and your humor. You walking around humming a song and calling me Lisa Marie.
Also, watching you help spoil all the grandkids and putting the biggest smiles on their faces. Thank you for such great memories.

Lisa Fierro - January 04, 2022 at 12:46 PM

CM

“ Uncle Tom- Your kind heart, endless smiles, and sarcastic sense of humor will be dearly missed by all those who’s lives you touched. One of my favorite memories with you is when you were visiting my Mimi (Glory) and graciously offered to help my husband and I build a fence at our new house. We were overwhelmed with where to start, but having you around for the job made it fun and easy. You taught us so much and our favorite saying that we’ll always remember you with is “measure twice, cut once.” You made that cute do-do-do sound which kept us all a little more sane. Thank you for all the laughs, hugs, and good times. We love you! - Chloe & Jonathan Schweitzer (Morlan) & Morlan Family ❤️❤️❤️ Rest in Heavens Glory



Chloe Morlan-Schweitzer - January 04, 2022 at 12:13 AM

CW

“ My coworker, my team mate, my friend of 50 years. He would go to extremes for friends and family. There will never be another quite like Tom. My condolences to his family. RIP.

Carl Williams - January 03, 2022 at 10:09 PM

SO

“ When I came into this family 12 years ago I already had two small children whom you loved instantly and took under your wing as Papa’s buddies. They never felt any different and got to partake in all the Papa shenanigans you had to offer. Mower rides in the summer, little Debbie snacks, fishing, and staying up late when you were charge only to pretend to be asleep when mom and dad got back. I will forever be grateful of that.

Sarah Olson - January 03, 2022 at 06:09 PM

GH

“ Dear Tom, you will be missed by so many people Just your family is a continent of its own. Your humor and that grin will always be in my memory. Great dancer just like dad and the rest of your siblings. I’ll see you soon with all those that made it to heaven. You owe me Tom. You promised to help Paul with our fence. Holdin you to it. Glad we had a few long visits. Loved always the Bible studies and the movies. Tell Ricky and Dayle hello. Charlotte and Candy are probably in charge of the kitchen. Miss you so much already. I do have a long memory. Love you to eternity and back. Glory ✨

Glory Hughes - January 03, 2022 at 03:56 PM

TO

“ Dad, i will miss your smile, your whistling while you work style, your bad advice and your unprecedented humor. I’m glad we got to talk for the brief moments we did before you left this world, not a day will go by that i don’t think of you. I love you, Tommy

Tommy Olson - January 03, 2022 at 03:15 PM

GH

And your dad loved you so much and was proud of you.

Glory Hughes - January 03, 2022 at 03:46 PM

DO

Dad, I'm thankful for all the times we fished, played cards, and golfed. You taught me how to drive a stick, made me a cubs and bears fan, and tried to get me to be a handy man- that one's on me. I'll miss your jokes and I'll always be thankful for our talk at my wedding. I love you!

Dan Olson - January 03, 2022 at 03:49 PM

MK

It is possible that I was one of the last family member to see Uncle Tom before he went to sleep in hopes of turning the tide of illness. It was a short visit as they were preparing to move him to a different part of the facility. But, he was awake and immediately recognized me and said "Michael". I responded, "I'll bet I am the last person you thought would show up here", He gave me a big smile as I held his hand for the few short minutes I had. Uncle Tom was there in Arizona when my mother was dying and that meant so much to me. I am so happy I was able to see him and without actually saying it.. thank him for what he did for Charlotte. I hope they are now together in heaven... free of pain... and joyfully looking down on all of us who remain. - Mike Kalember

Mike Kalember - January 04, 2022 at 02:11 PM

BE

have known the olson family since i was 14 yrs. old....tom and tim 1st.... the others i met over-the-years...you never knew what to expect when u were with them, but always knew you'd be laughing until your sides hurt...i babysat tommy jon as an infant, when his momma went back to work...not long tho, she couldn't stand being away from him...sang tv commercials with 3 yr. old dan...he knew them all.." aunt glory" is my sister in heart...intro'd me to my husband of 46 yrs....tom was always there with that mischevious grin..last saw each other last summer..and he greeted me with "how u doing old woman?" ..response..same as u old man. the world will be a little more somber place without him....rest easy my "old" friend bobbie [martin] emerick

bobbie emerick - January 07, 2022 at 12:10 AM