



Thomas Bernard McGrath

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He is survived by his beloved wife Patricia and best friend of 45 years . He would tell everyone Pat was the best thing that ever happened to him . Tom was born on June 3 ,1931 in Philadelphia Pa.He is survived by his children Tom McGrath, daughter Kim Tanner and her husband Bob Tanner , along with his stepchildren Michelle Paglione, Barry Giordano and Scott Giordano.

He is survived by his siblings

Dolores Liney , Frank Manganiello , Gary Cleveland , Carol Winkler , and Kathy Kenney

He was a proud Pop Pop to Tommy McGrath ,BobbyTanner, Ryan Tanner , John Giordano and Rachel Economou . He is a great Pop Pop to Dylan Tanner , Ryan Tanner , Gavin Tanner, Cody Tanner, Owen McGrath, and Emma Giordano.

Tom 's career was in sales , he had this unique skill to relate to anyone he met . Early in his career he traveled to many states and some countries working in the beer business and food sales. The majority of his life he worked selling clothing apparel in Florida. In 1985 he and his wife Patricia moved to Florida , where they spent many happy years .

He enjoyed playing golf and tennis , he loved sports and followed the Philadelphia Eagles , and the Tampa bay buccaneers . He never forgot his Philly roots and could always find someone close by wherever he was with Phill or New Jersey connections, and when he did he drew them in and he could get their whole life history and then he would share his.

Tom lived life to the fullest , had a wonderful sense of humor and some of the best one liners . He will be remembered for the many friendships he made , advice and help he had given along the way and all his funny characteristics that came with knowing Tom McGrath . The world is going to be a much-quieter place without him in it.

The memorial service is Tuesday, January 31st, at 4:00 PM at Memorial Park Funeral Home.




Events


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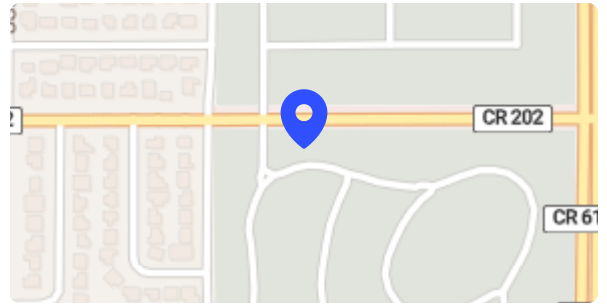
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Memorial Service

 **Tuesday**, January 31, 2023

 4:00 PM ET

 **Memorial Park Funeral Home**
5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709





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Memorial Park Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.



January 31 at 11:54 AM



Carol Winkler February 2 at 9:58 AM

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Thomas Tanner posted:

Only met Tom once when the whole family went to Tampa for my brother John's wedding and Tom and his wife were there. For whatever reason we hit it off--must have been that salesman technique he had but over the almost 20 years we stayed in touch with cards and a very rare phone call. He will be missed by me and I wish the family my deepest sympathies as you grieve over his passing. Tom Tanner

January 31 at 5:42 AM



Doreen Malnati lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

Pat, we are so very sorry for your loss. Tom was certainly a loving, doting husband who held you dear to his heart and spent every day living life full,. his life was full of love and concern for you. I have no doubt from his heavenly home he will continue to watch over you, his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren .. I can already hear his " heaven issued phone" ringing, checking in on you (and your quilting buddies) making sure you are safe and taking care of yourself. I promised him we would always be here for you and with you ... and we will be. Tom, you may rest peacefully in the presence of the Lord, John and Doreen Malnati



January 30 at 2:25 PM



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BF

Bob & Doris Family sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the McGrath family.



January 30 at 12:05 PM

BB

Bob Benhower posted:

Today the Earth is a lonelier, less happy place because our friend Tom McGrath is no longer with us. Today, Heaven is full of wit and laughter because our friend Tom is there, bringing smiles to his friends, old and new. We first met Tom nearly 25 years ago [on a golf course, believe it or not]. Tom had lost a piece of golfing equipment on the course and enlisted me and the two 10-year-old girls I had with me to look for it. We did find it and we found a new, very special friend in Tom McGrath. As a bonus, Tom took us to his home to meet one of the loveliest and lovable persons you will ever know, his wife Patricia. Since then, Tom and Pat have made our many trips from Indiana to Florida extra special to look forward to because of them. Even though Tom was my senior by 9 years, he often gave me lessons on the tennis court and of course, the golf course. His putter shaved many strokes off his score card. Tom delighted in telling the best jokes and could tell them so well, I always would go back home to Indiana with new joke material, but I couldn't tell them nearly as well as he did. The other crafts person in his family, of course, was Pat. Her craftsmanship when it came to sewing is fantastic and she was a big member of the McGrath selling machine team. Pat; Doris & I and our whole family wish you the best in this time of bereavement that we all share. We hope to see you soon and if we can do anything to be of help, now or forever, please let us know and we will make it happen. Our Love to you and your whole family, Doris, Bob, Susan's family and Frank Benhower's family

January 30 at 11:41 AM



Anonymous sent a Basket of Memories to the McGrath family.



January 29 at 8:21 AM



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JF

John Paul Ferrero posted:

My buddy Tom will be sadly missed with his tremendous sense of humor and that smile that was devious at times that made you just laugh at times. He certainly would tell you how he felt without mincing words. He was funny, smart, and absolutely lovable. He was a great family man, he absolutely loved his wife Pat, his best friend and did everything to make her happy. He loved his kids, grandkids, and great grandkids, a true dedicated and loving dad, and pop pop. I could talk to him for hours, old times, new old times, and Philly sports teams, even though he was a traitor at times with the Rays, and Bucs lol!! On game days he'd wear a Phillies or eagles shirt with a rays and bucs hat lol! He was a great husband, father, pop pop, brother, and your best friend. He was funny, loving, witty, and loved life. He was also a very tough man, survived so many health issues and fought for his health. At times he'd have you upset or crying because he was completely honest with you, 5 minutes later he had you laughing and you loving him, he was one of a kind. He was everyone's best friend with that smile and witty comments. Life here on earth won't be the same without him, I'm heartbroken and sad, I haven't stopped crying since he left us. I'll talk to him still, and tell him he's missed and he's loved. If more people were like Tom, we'd have a better earth. Heaven has gained quite a character, I wish I could hear all the laughter up there. Tom, I love and miss you so much and thank you being a great and loving friend, my life was better with you in it. God speed and tell the Lord thanks for having you in our lives, it was a wonderful ride. God bless you rest easy and bless your family and friends. Your buddy John! Ps. Tom I promise to lose the weight I gained

January 29 at 1:41 AM

JL

John Lang posted:

About four years ago I met Tom. I sensed right off the bat that he was a character. Tom was not just an ordinary guy. He had such a charismatic personality that intrigued everyone he talked to. His priority to God and his family took precedent in his life. He was a proud veteran who so loved this country. I wish I had more time to enjoy Tom's stories and laughs. Enjoy heaven, my good friend and we'll meet again. John Lang

January 28 at 2:20 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Thomas by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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