



Thomas J. Flanagan

May 26, 2020

Thomas Joseph Flanagan, III, died peacefully at home with family and friends, May 24, 2020. Tommy's greatest accomplishments cannot be measured in awards or dollars or achievements. Rather, they are measured by his kindness, empathy, generosity and service to others. He touched countless lives through the 12 Steps, providing support to many. He was born February 9, 1934 in Newark NJ to Thomas J. Flanagan JR. And Helen (née McEvoy). He is Survived by Wife Karen; daughter, Jennifer; grandson, Johnny; sister, Therese (Justin) McCarthy; sisters-in-law, Jean Magaletta and Deborah (Peter) Davidson; beloved niece, Casey (Danny) Lewis and great niece Miesje Lewis and many other nieces, nephews and cousins. Tommy was preceded in death by his brother Jerome Paul Flanagan. Due to Covid-19 restrictions and aftermath, a Mass and Celebration of Life Service will be scheduled at a later date. As he was a Korean War Navy Veteran, his ashes will be laid to rest at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery when we can have a proper internment. Donations may be sent to the St. Malachi's, 2459 Washington Ave Cleveland, OH 44113, or the Scarborough House, 2430 West 10th St, Cleveland, oh 44113. Karen and Tommy would be celebrating their 53rd wedding anniversary May 27, 2020. Love and light to all!

Tribute Wall

JE

“ *I'm still struggling to find all of the words. They keep multiplying. Xo*

Jen - August 15, 2020 at 01:26 AM

JE

“ *He loved you so much!As do we my sweet Corrine! We love you soo much! Thank you!!!*

Jen - August 15, 2020 at 01:23 AM

JE

“ *Daddy- thank you for all of the love and strength and direction you gave me while I grew up. Thank you for listening to me and guiding me as a young adult. Especially when I lost my dear friend Eric. I dont think I could have gotten thru that without you! Thank you for being there with me at the end of my pregnancy- when it was hot and I was hormonal and anxious Thank you for walking me down the aisleThank you for all of the times you corrected me and steered me from wrong choices. Thank you for being my daddy. I am now 50 years of age. I just said good bye to you - for now. Thank you for the 50 years I spent with you!!!!*

Jen - August 14, 2020 at 01:13 AM

JF

“ *Thank you!My daddy had wonderful experiences with you!! You have always been a great friend! I miss my daddy. That strong caring empathetic courageous man. God bless! Love and light to you and your family!*

Jen Flanagan - August 14, 2020 at 01:07 AM

CS

“ *"The life of the dead is placed in the memory of the living." Cicero*
Dearest Karen, Jen, and Johnny, My memory is long and filled with wonderful examples of Tom's kindness, humor, and honesty. I loved him dearly and will miss him greatly!
Corrine and Jack

Corrine Solomon - June 28, 2020 at 09:59 AM

KP

“ *Dearest Karen and Jennifer, It was our privilege to know Tom, and share his wisdom and stories from Navy days. Whenever, I saw him, he always asked me about my mom. He always advised me on how to be a better family man. Donuts, he loved them. You are in our prayers.. Peace...*

Krishna Purohit - June 04, 2020 at 09:37 AM

JH

“ *Blessings to the Flanagan Family. Grateful for countless memories and head full of spiritual wisdom. Janet & I grieve his passing and rejoice to have loved him and to have been loved by him. Rest In Peace Old Timer*

Jack & Janet Hayn - May 28, 2020 at 11:08 AM

MH

“ *Dear Karan and Jen, I am sorry for your loss . Tommy was a good man . I have enjoyed reading what so many people have said about him and how he helped so many people . He will be deeply missed by so many . Thoughts and prayers w u and your whole family . Love u both , Michelle*

Michelle haefele - May 28, 2020 at 08:49 AM

BK

“ I am without words. I'm sure you know the impact Tom had on my life. My relationship with him was a blessing for which I will always be grateful. The lessons I learned from him will not be soon forgotten. And the love that he had for you, Karen, Jen and Johnny, could not be measured. I'm so thankful that I got to know you three as well. I love you guys. God bless.

Bret Korcykoski - May 27, 2020 at 09:49 PM

RN

“ Karen, Jen and Johnny . Tom is at a meeting in Heaven sharing his recovery! May God Bless you and keep you safe! Rich&Cheri

Rich Novak - May 27, 2020 at 06:50 PM

BR

“ Carol and I have been blessed to have known Tom. We were at each other's wedding 53 years ago. Tom and I spent the day President Kennedy was assassinated together trying to make sense of it. A nicer more thoughtful person did not exist. We will miss him greatly. Carol and I find solace in knowing the wonderful care he received from Karen, Jennifer and the family. God Bless you all.

Bob and Carol Ricci - May 27, 2020 at 12:15 PM

JH

“ Dear Karen and Jen my heart goes out to u both. Jim and I have many loving memories of Tommy back on Angela Dr. Our thoughts and prayers r with u both.

Janet Haefele - May 27, 2020 at 09:39 AM

LL

“ Dearest Karen and family - there are no words, but just know that others are thinking of you and praying for you. Tom was quite a character and he will be missed by many. Please accept my sincere condolences. Lynn Larson

Lynn Larson - May 27, 2020 at 07:10 AM

RM

“ What lovely memories we shared! From your beautiful wedding thru class reunions and charade games: from picnics to babies we were so lucky to share them. Tommy with his \"Oh so open\" Irish face looking at his new wife and later at his baby daughter. Time and circumstance separates the bodies but not the hearts. You are in our thought and prayers.

Reni and Kris Miller - May 26, 2020 at 09:01 PM

DH

“ Dearest Karen and Jennifer, I was my privileged to know Tom, mostly through your eyes. Your love of and for him shone brightly to all of us. No doubt he will be missed, but he lives on everyday in your hearts, and, by association, to each of us. My sincerest sympathy to you and prayers for strength as you endure the changes ahead. All my love, God Bless you, Dale

Dale Hicks - May 26, 2020 at 08:46 PM

BM

“ To my dear Karen, Jennifer and Johnny..What a beautiful tribute to Tom. Even though distAnce has kept us apart, I admired him very much. I remember your wedding day and how much he was in love with you. Karen he never took his eyes off of you., You are all in my prayers. God is shining His face on Tom and the angels are rejoicing .Much love

Barbara Muir - May 26, 2020 at 07:30 PM

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Barbara Muir - May 26, 2020 at 07:28 PM

SB

“ Dearest Karen, Jennifer and Johnny, we are so very sorry about Tom's passing. He was a wonderful man. We have many fond memories of sharing his laughter and love and will miss him greatly. Our love and prayers are with you all. God Bless.

Sue & Jim Burdett - May 26, 2020 at 07:16 PM