



Mr. Thomas Lee Wakefield

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Mr. Thomas Lee Wakefield, 73, passed away Friday, October 5, 2018 at Spectrum Butterworth with his wife Brenda by his side. Tom was born April 11, 1945 to Eugene and Eileen (Plumley) Wakefield in Muskegon, and was a lifelong resident. Tom was the owner of Port City Cab and Yellow Cab in Muskegon. He also was the owner of Port City Cab in Grand Rapids and Yellow Cab in Kalamazoo from 1980 to 2010. Tom started in the cab business at a young age and he was very proud of his establishments. His legacy will continue with his wife operating them. Tom enjoyed life to its fullest. He was an avid boater, taking trips throughout Lake Michigan, the Atlantic Ocean, and the intercostals of Florida and the Keys. He was a member of the Mona Lake Boat Club and TLPA. Tom also loved riding his Harley, taking trips to Sturgis, Daytona and Colorado. He enjoyed traveling with his wife, taking trips throughout the United States and the Caribbean. He served with the U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Marine and the U.S. Army. With everything Tom did and was involved with, his greatest love was his family. On September 21, 1996 he married Brenda L. Southland, and she survives him along with 6 children: Daniel, Thomas and Jessica Wakefield, Tricia (Derek) Marihugh, Samuel Thomas (Emily) Wakefield, Christine (Larry) Shepard; 7 grandchildren: Jordan, Keenen, Karsen, Avri, Elizabeth, Sarah and Jonathan; brother-in-law, Bret Southland; sister-in-law, Tiffany Southland; nephew, Tyler; and nieces, Hartley, Whitney and Patty. Tom was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother, Samuel. The funeral service will be Saturday, October 13, at 1:00 PM at Forest Park Covenant Church. Interment will take place at Mona View Cemetery. Visitation at The Lee Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey St., (231) 798-1100 will be Friday evening, October 12, from 5-7PM. You may visit the family's online guestbook at www.sytsemafh.com. Contributions in memory of Mr. Wakefield may be made to the Johnson Family Cancer Center.



Events

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Visitation

Friday, October 12, 2018

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



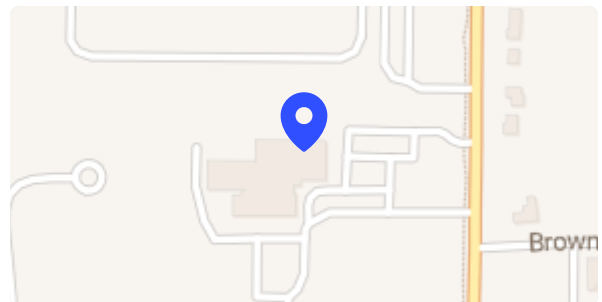
Funeral Service

Saturday, October 13, 2018

1:00 PM ET

Forest Park Covenant Church

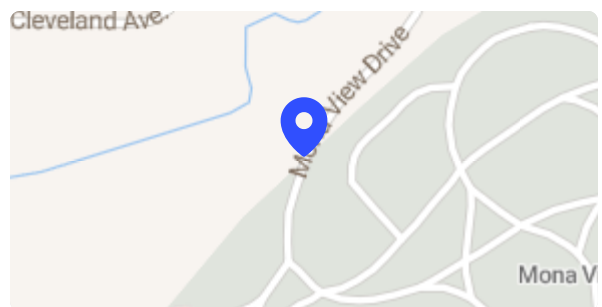
3815 Henry St., Norton Shores MI 49441



Cemetery Details

Mona View Cemetery

3335 Mona View Drive, Muskegon Heights MI 49444





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Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Wakefield family.



October 12 at 5:42 AM



Greg Coyle posted:

From Advance Auto parts...we would like to express our sorrows for your loss. Tom was a great person and customer we enjoyed seeing him in the store and his presence here. he will be extremely missed by us! we give the Wakefield family our sincere condolences at this time and will pray for him and family.. Greg Coyle commercial sales /delivery Bobby Wilson General mngr

October 11 at 9:32 AM



Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Wakefield family.



October 11 at 4:48 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Wakefield family.



October 11 at 4:44 AM



Phil Mcroberts posted:

Tom was amazing as a skilled boating skipper...thank you for the thrills!

October 11 at 4:27 AM



Diana Olson posted:

Diana Funderburg Olson, We've been friends since we were 12 years old, I will always remember the fun that we had together. Even though this life has come to an end your memories will continue in my heart forever. I will hold you near and dear and pray for you sending all my love and best wishes to your family. Love and God bless. Diana

October 10 at 9:17 PM



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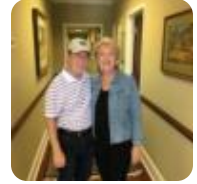
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DW

Dale Wakefield shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us ...Our special thoughts and memories of days gone by will always be with us. As children of God, how blessed we were and really didn't realize/know how close we were."May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."Dale & Brenda Wakefield
4002 Warm WindsSan Antonio, TX 78253



October 10 at 4:07 AM

FM

Frederick J. Monroe posted:

Sam ..so sorry for your loss of your father...thoughts and prayers. For peace at this time fJM

October 9 at 5:15 PM

KJ

Kim & Ed Barteau, Jaxksonville FI sent a Sympathy Chocolates to the Wakefield family.



October 9 at 2:58 PM

DT

Deb Tufts lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

To the Family and Friends of Tom,Tom was a nice man, he will be missed by many.Sending you all love and prayers, during this sad time.Sincerely,Deb Tufts



October 9 at 2:41 PM

KB

Kim And Ed Barteau lit a candle in honor of Thomas.



October 9 at 2:41 PM

KB

Kim And Ed Barteau posted:

Tom. And Brenda have been some our best friends over the years. We met Tom when our deceased brother showed up with friends. One look at the boat and Tom spent the week instead with us in Miami. It became one our favorite times as we met a good friend. Tomwill be missed

October 9 at 2:40 PM



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Anonymous sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Wakefield family.



October 9 at 12:46 PM



Julie Kastl posted:

Dear Chris, Sam, and Tricia, Thinking of all of you and your families as you celebrate your dad's life. God bless all of you. Love, Julie

October 9 at 9:11 AM



With Love, Cameron, Kathie & Your New Day Family sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Wakefield family.



October 9 at 8:42 AM



Shelly Sutherland posted:

Brenda & family, Our hearts hurt for you. We are truly sorry for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with you. God Bless your family. Dan & Shelly (Zue) Sutherland

October 9 at 6:53 AM



Karen Panozzo posted:

Brenda, So sorry to hear of your husbands death. Prayers Karen Panozzo

October 9 at 4:46 AM



Greg Marihugh posted:

Want to remember the Wakefield family at this time with love and prayers. From the Marihugh Family.

October 9 at 3:06 AM



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Anonymous sent a Reflections of Glory Wreath to the Wakefield family.

October 8 at 5:52 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Wakefield family.

October 8 at 2:47 PM





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October 10 at 4:07 AM



Dale & Brenda



Memories only last if you share them

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



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