



Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023



Scan to Visit

Table of Contents

Obituary	Page 3
Events	Page 5
Tribute Wall	Page 6
Media	Page 9



Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023

On September 10, 2023, to a chorus of angels singing “Come Fly with Me”, another star came alight in the evening sky. Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa, passed peacefully into eternity, surrounded by his greatest loves, music, family, and laughter.

Tony was born on June 18, 1936, in Brooklyn, NY, and grew up on the streets of Detroit. He left school at the age of sixteen to help support his family, something for which he was extremely proud. In 1960, he brought his street smarts and zest for life to Muskegon, MI. He also brought a passion for music, especially big bands like Count Basie and Stan Kenton, as well as the irreverence of Frank Sinatra and the Rat Pack. Most importantly, he brought the love of his life, DeeAnna (Kuzukos) Wypa. The two were married in 1958 and enjoyed a 55-year union.

Tony was proud to be Ukrainian, but DeeAnna’s Greek heritage made Tony an honorary Greek. A fact that added joy to the rest of his life. He loved Greek food, especially the garlic! Tony and Dee’s home was always the hub of family activities, with music, food, drink, and laughter being the focus. He enjoyed cooking and one of his specialties was pizza. Homemade or otherwise, pizza dinners were something his family would gather for and enjoy repeatedly, for many years. This legacy lives on in his son’s business, Wypa’s Woodfired Pizza.

In his 60+ years in Muskegon, Tony made many friends. He ran a successful Title Insurance business, interacting with community leaders throughout West Michigan. His sense of humor, infectious smile and hardy laugh were well known and loved by all. Tony was also an avid reader, keen to understand everything about the world around him. He loved to ask questions, preferring to listen to other’s stories versus telling his own. All of this helped make him the wise and unique person he was. Truly a joy to be around. Tony was an Old Newsie, volunteered on the restoration of the Milwaukee Clipper and after retirement was a driver for Wasserman’s Floral and



Obituary

Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023

Gifts and Muskegon Senior Transit. He was also a member of Elks Lodge #274 and provided the sound equipment and music for many dances at Elks Park. Tony's final years were spent at the Hume Home, where he made many friends with both the staff and residents alike.

Tony is survived by his children, Karen Clark, Anthony Wypa Jr, Katherine (Jim) Alderink, David (Lisa) Wypa, and Mark Wypa; grandchildren, Steven Clark, Mary and Matthew Alderink, Lucas Wypa, Lily Wypa and Ava Wypa; his great-grandson, Emeric Alderink-Smith; siblings, Madeline Puirko, Elizabeth Malmquist, and Thomas Wypa.

He joins in heaven his beloved wife, DeeAnna, who passed away in 2013; mother, Rose Thomas; father, Steven; brother, Henry; and sister, Suzanne Tomasik. His grandson who passed away suddenly in 2012, Master Nikolas Wypa, also greeted him at the gates of heaven.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE is planned for 11:00 AM, Friday, September 29, 2023, at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, 6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444. VISITATION with the family will be an hour prior to the service at the funeral home. His family asks, in lieu of flowers, donations to The Nikolas Wypa Scholarship Fund, The Hume Home Gazebo Improvements Fund or Harbor Hospice would be appreciated. Share memories with the family at www.sytsemafh.com.



Events

Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023

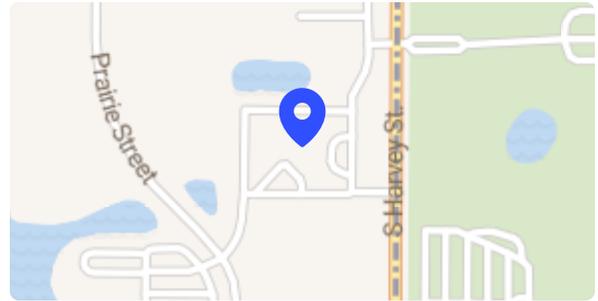
Visitation

 **Friday**, September 29, 2023

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



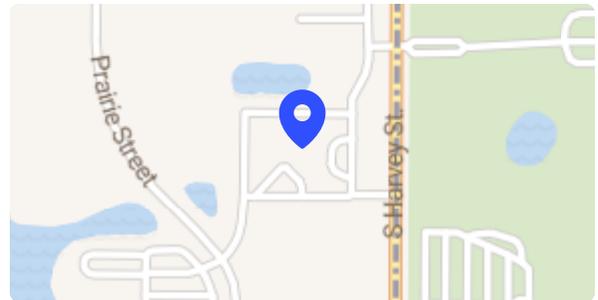
Memorial Service

 **Friday**, September 29, 2023

 11:00 AM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444





Tribute Wall

Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023



Timothy Monroe posted:

My deepest condolences to the family.

October 6 at 9:34 PM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Wypa family.



September 25 at 11:49 AM



Jane Chickering posted:

Tony welcomed me into the family from day 1. I'll never forget the family get togethers, the drum playing in the basement, the endless Sinatra tunes playing. His grand children have known the words to Sinatra songs since they were toddlers . He and Dee loved entertaining at their home. Tony was a wonderful giving and loving human with the best big smile and even bigger laugh. Rest in peace, I think of you now reuniting in Heaven with all of the family that you've missed so dearly.

September 18 at 3:34 PM



Jenny Garza posted:

One of my personal favorites ❤️ Tony will be missed by all of us at the Hume Home of Muskegon. Tony loved our rides to Wesco to get lottery tickets and donuts. Sometimes we would take the scenic route home by Lake MI. I'm going to miss my morning greetings "Hello Bubbles" Although I am the Activities Director and Dawn Marr is our Housekeeper we were honored helping with your care ❤️ The day we took care of you was one of your best days 😊 You did a great job raising your children because it truly showed! Lisa and Jim were also amazing ❤️ RIP my friend 🙏

September 13 at 8:00 PM



Tribute Wall

Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023



Joe Panici posted:

Tony was always a nice person. My sympathy to all of his family.

September 13 at 1:07 PM



Jim Stariha September 16 at 6:27 AM

Condolences to Tony's family. Tony & I became friends soon after he came to Muskegon for Burton Abstract & Title. He was here 3 or 4 years compiling a tract index to Burton could issue title insurance. Just a great guy and always so helpful over the years to me and, no doubt, many others.



Thomas Wypa September 13 at 8:42 PM

My dearest brother. Death may have taken you away from us, but you'll always remain alive in our hearts. Rest in peace.



Kitten Davis lit a candle in honor of Anthony M..

I have so many great memories of Uncle Tony and the entire Wypa family. He was always, always in a good mood, and he was a gentle, kind and loving uncle to me. I remember days in Muskegon with the grown ups and a bunch of us little kids sitting around talking or outside playing. I loved the basement, I had never seen one before that. The carefree summer days on Long Lake in the 70's are some of my favorite memories. Cousins everywhere, literally. And not a care in the world. 😊 When he and Aunt Dee came to visit in California, it was always happy times. I will never forget him. Please give my parents, Aunt Dee and little Nik a warm, loving hug from me. You will be missed and thought of often. I love you. ❤️ Rest in Paradise Uncle TonyKitten

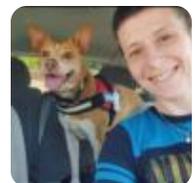


September 13 at 1:06 PM



Heather D Griffin shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

he was absolutely one of my favorite people at home when i was there 2021 til this spring; he was one of the first residents to befriend me & help me relax to the best of my ability. the last time i saw him was a visit with mina (my trained therapy dog) in july before her 2nd surgery; her & i danced to some music he had playing. 😊😭 i'm sure going to miss him! one of the most interesting people i've had the honor to know.



September 13 at 1:05 PM



Tribute Wall

Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023

MK

Mary Bowen Kalisz posted:

I worked for years , with Tony at his Title Company. I was a new Realtor on the East side of town, no one else would deliver title work by hand back then, to us. In walked Tony! He'd visit us each week, whether we needed title work or not! He had my loyalty right then and there! Always a smile too!

September 13 at 12:59 PM

BW

Barb Wenk September 30 at 10:31 AM

My love and condolences to the family. I didn't learn of his passing until after the funeral. He and Dee were wonderful people and the same can be said for their children and grandchildren.

GW

Ginger Wolffis September 14 at 4:25 PM

Hello Lisa & David, May God bless and comfort you during this time of sorrow. Lisa, you Shine! Since little Nickolas died, you turned your Scars into Stars and your Hurt into Hope for others on a Grief Journey. I'm proud to know you, David and Lucas. Blessings, Ginger

SS

Shelly Sutherland September 14 at 9:51 AM

Tony was the best! He was my very first Boss. Boy did he set the standard high. In my interview, at the Title Company he asked if I knew what Title Insurance was. I said no....we both laughed & he said your hired! He was a great soul and my heart hurts for his family. I am very lucky to have known and worked for Tony. God Bless. Shelly Sutherland

NL

Nancy Lapple September 14 at 7:56 AM

Sincere condolences to your Family. I remember Tony as just a Great Guy. Take back "just". A really great person all around. We worked together 3 decades ago; and he was one of those unforgettable people. Kind, funny, nice, put a smile on your face when you saw him. My He rest in God's Peace.



Media

Anthony M. (Tony) Wypa

JUN 18, 1936 - SEP 10, 2023



Heather D Griffin shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

September 13 at 1:05 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



Scan to Visit