



Thomas M. "Tom" Paulson

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Thomas M. "Tom" Paulson, age 67, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 15, 2024, surrounded by his sister and her husband, as well as a very close friend. He was born on February 16, 1957, in Muskegon to Dr. William Arnold and Janice (Lundquist) Paulson. Tom's journey began in Mona Shores High School, where he graduated in 1975, and later earned his bachelor's degree in psychology from Central Michigan University.

Tom's love for snow skiing was evident throughout his life. From his early years, his family's ski trips out west ignited a passion that would define much of his life. After completing his education, Tom made his way to Dillon, Colorado, where he immersed himself in the ski culture, finding not just a pastime but a true zest for life. Over the years, he traversed the slopes of Colorado, California, and Nevada, embracing the exhilaration of the mountains. In 1999, Tom returned to Muskegon to care for his father, cherishing the time spent with family.

Throughout his career in the hospitality industry, Tom forged lasting friendships and connections. He pursued various hobbies with dedication and enthusiasm, enriching his life and those around him.

Tom's kindness knew no bounds, and he held a special place in his heart for his family, particularly his nephews and niece. Known for his selflessness, Tom was always ready to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. His absence will be deeply felt by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Tom is survived by his sister, Kelly (Daniel) Harris of Norton Shores; three nephews: Ryan Harris, Eric (Laura) Harris and their three children, and Brett (Dannielle) Harris and their three children; niece, Mallory Harris; as well as cousins: Tim Sorensen, Kay (Don) Nelson, John (Sally) Lundstrom, and Jill (Mark) Widing. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of Tom's life will be held from 5-7 PM on Sunday, April 21, 2024 at The



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Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, located at 6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444. A time of sharing will be available starting at 6 PM. For further inquiries, please contact (231) 798-1100

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to The Harbor Hospice Foundation would be deeply appreciated.

Expressions of sympathy and shared memories can be conveyed to the family through their online Guest Book at www.sytsemafh.com



Events

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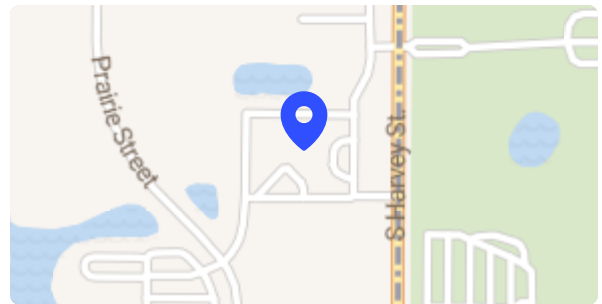
Celebration of Life Gathering

Sunday, April 21, 2024

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



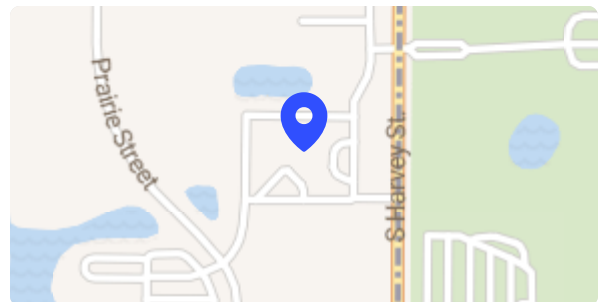
Time of Open Remarks

Sunday, April 21, 2024

6:00 PM ET

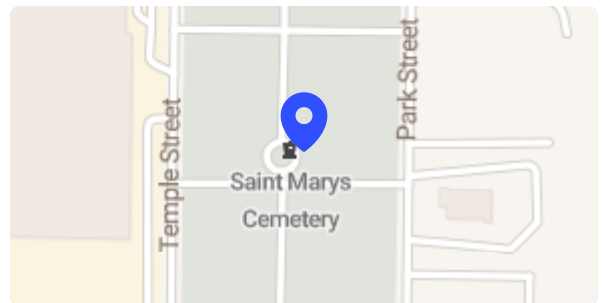
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Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery
1915 Park St., Muskegon MI 49441





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MV

Mary Voodre posted:

Tom was the kindest soul. I met him because I did his mother's hair. That led to a "hair" relationship that spanned about 30 years. I enjoyed his company in my chair, while I fixed him up for whatever occasion he was about to enjoy. I will miss his ray of sunshine. Rest in peace "Uncle Tom"

April 18 at 4:02 PM

JD

Judi Bowman Delis posted:

Kelly, I am sad for the loss of your brother Tom. Sending prayers and condolences.

April 18 at 11:54 AM

JL

John Lundstrom posted:

The most generous and kind person I ever knewwould give you the last dollar he had if you needed itrest in peace, my cousin, my friend.... John Lundstrom

April 17 at 5:47 PM

BE

Bruce Eklund posted:

Ole friend and brother your place will always be in our hearts. Growing up, days in the sun, minibikes, motorcycles, water and snow skiing. Facing life as it comes. Our kids and family will miss their Uncle Tom. Love Always Bruce & Lynn Eklund

April 17 at 3:46 PM



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Tim Sorensen posted:

Thanks for the memories cuz love ya

April 17 at 1:06 PM



Robin Ackley-Chase April 20 at 1:38 PM

So sorry for your loss. Tom was my neighbor for the past few years. I didn't know him well, but he was a good neighbor. I will miss chit-chatting with him over the backyard fence. Our funniest conversation happened just last summer when I had to tell him he caught a skunk in the live trap in his backyard. Robin Ackley-Chase



Bruce Eklund April 17 at 2:37 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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