



Virgil Edward Thompson

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Virgil Thompson, age 56, of Muskegon passed away unexpectedly on September 5, 2025, in Muskegon, MI. Virgil was born in Muskegon to George and Rosemary (Akins) Thompson on May 15, 1969. He was a 1987 graduate of Muskegon Heights. He married the love of his life, Christina (VanderMolen) Thompson on May 20, 2011, in Muskegon. He was a Corrections Officer for Brooks Correctional Facility for 27 years and he was a proud Veteran of the Air Force. Virgil is preceded in death by his parents: George and Rosemary. He is survived in death by his wife: Christina Thompson, children: Danielle (Jeremy), Matthew, Amber, Mason, Andrew, Dylan; siblings: Brian, Kimberly (Clay), Jennifer and Nancy; in-laws: Jim and Cynthia VanderMolen; grandchildren: Leelynn, Zayden, Alex; great niece: Christina and great nephew: Caleb. VISITATION will be from 01:00 PM – 02:00 PM on Friday, September 12, 2025, at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, 6291 Harvey St. Norton Shores, MI. 49444. MEMORIAL SERVICE will follow at 02:00 PM with a time of refreshment following with the family. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to Muskegon County Department of Veteran Affairs. Please consider signing the family's online guestbook and share memories at <https://sytsemafz.com>



Events

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Visitation

 **Friday**, September 12, 2025

 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

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

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



Memorial Service

 **Friday**, September 12, 2025

 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

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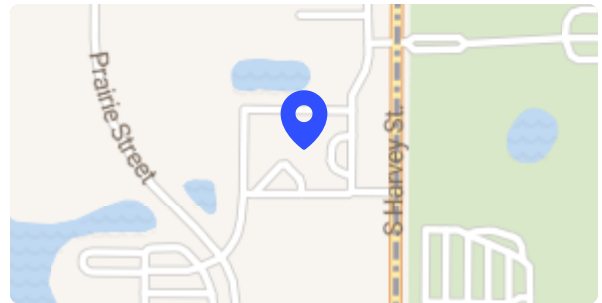
Time of Refreshments

 **Friday**, September 12, 2025

 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

 **The Lee Chapel - Family Center**

6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444





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Lori, Kurtis & Marcy sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Thompson family.



September 12 at 8:52 AM



Jennifer Thompson posted:

Virgil was always one for a good laugh. He always had a great sense of humor and a sharp wit. He was a terrific brother and a wonderful person. I remember when we were planning our father's funeral I wore my Tony Stewart outfit because my dad loved NASCAR. Virgil mentioned that he couldn't concentrate on what the preacher or pastor was saying because he was distracted by the great pumpkin sitting before him. He meant me. I was bigger than what I am now and I was wearing all orange. It was hilarious and we all bust out laughing. He knew laughter could make us all feel a little better. He was always good for a great joke and a helping hand when we needed it. I will love him always and I will miss him forever.

September 10 at 8:10 PM



Joseph Kessler posted:

one day after i had worked the chapel, he had me return to fill out the equipment inventory sheet. i had apologized for not doing it as it was my first time running the chapel. with a very cheerful smile he told me " its ok just thought i would let you know. "

September 8 at 8:10 AM



Delisa Jones lit a candle in honor of Virgil.

My Fondest Memory of Thompson is him offering words of Encouragement to me being a new Officer when my boots hit grounds at E.C. Brooks in 2022. If I had questions, he never hesitated to answer them, even throwing in a lighthearted joke. Thompson's laugh was so contagious. We both would be laughing so hard, when he walked off. He was such a genuine person and he will be missed. DeLisa Jones



September 6 at 6:58 PM



Bill Pierce lit a candle in honor of Virgil.

we will miss you virg. rip. bill & gloria pierce



September 6 at 5:46 PM



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Debra Idsinga posted:

When he would come into Wesco where I work, and try and give me a hard time. I loved it when he would rub my shoulders, that felt so good.

September 6 at 2:33 PM

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Mary Duncan posted:

My fondest memory of Virgil is going into the Chapel at work, and sitting down and chatting with Virgil over a cup of coffee. I would pop in occasionally to check in on him knowing he was probably bored out of his mind, and just chit chat. He would always ask me how many fish I've caught lately, and where my secret spots were, and I always replied, " It's confidential secret squirrel spots." He would laugh with that Virgil laugh we all have heard, and loved so much. We're all going to miss Virgil's smile, and that contagious laugh. He's sadly missed by us all. RIP my friend, until we meet again, your friend DUNC 🐿️

September 6 at 12:12 PM



Brian Tenhove posted:

Worked with Thompson for the last decade, he was always happy and always brought cheer to a terrible environment. I'll miss hearing him on the radio, or asking me questions pertaining to the mandate list. RIP Virg.-The Tenhove's-

September 6 at 11:30 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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